

Exercise 47

For the following exercises, determine whether the function is odd, even, or neither.

$$f(x) = 3x^4$$

Solution

Plug in $-x$ for x and see if the result is either $f(x)$ or $-f(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(-x) &= 3(-x)^4 \\ &= 3(-1)^4 x^4 \\ &= 3(1)x^4 \\ &= 3x^4 \\ &= f(x) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the function is even.