## Addition of Graphs

y = f(x) + g(x) can be graphed by first graphing y = f(x) and y = g(x) separately and then adding their ordinates together.

- find and mark the *x* and *y* intercepts
- draw lines perpendicular to *x* axis cutting both curves
- add the *y* coordinates along each line and mark the point





### Things to keep in mind:

**Discontinuities:** any exclusions in the domain of the original function(s) remain in the new function e.g.  $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$ ,  $g(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x}$  y = f(x) + g(x)= x + 1,  $x \neq 0$ **x-intercept:** If f(x) = -g(x), then y = f(x) + g(x) = 0**symmetry:** like functions retain symmetry when added odd function + odd function = odd function

even function + even function = even function



y = f(x) - g(x) can be graphed by first graphing y = f(x) and y = -g(x) separately and then adding the ordinates together.

#### The graph of y = x + g(x) where g(x) is bounded

If the graph of y = g(x) is bounded by the lines y = a and y = b, then y = x + g(x) will be bounded by the lines y = x + a and y = x + b



## Multiplication of Graphs

 $y = f(x) \times g(x)$  can be graphed by first graphing y = f(x) and y = g(x) separately and then;

- mark the *x* intercepts, this will be where the new function changes sign
- multiply the "signs" of each function to determine the sign of the new function
- mark the *y* intercept
- special note needs to be made of points where f(x) = 1, or g(x) = 1 (and -1).
- if f(x) or  $g(x) \to 0$  or  $\pm \infty$ , then so will the new function



$$(ii) y = x^{2} (x+1) (x-1)^{3}$$



Equation 2: y=x+1	<b>•</b>
Equation 3: y=(x-1) <sup>3</sup>	
Equation 4: y=x <sup>2</sup> (x+1)(x-1) <sup>3</sup>	•

# **Graphs of the Form** $y = [f(x)]^2$

 $y = f(x) \times f(x)$  i.e.  $y = [f(x)]^2$  can be graphed by first graphing y = f(x) then;

- all single roots will become double roots
- all stationary points must still be stationary points
- all discontinuities will remain
- horizontal and oblique asymptotes may change (square their value)
- if |f(x)| > 1 then  $[f(x)]^2 > f(x)$  i.e. new curve is above the old curve
- if |f(x)| < 1 then  $[f(x)]^2 < f(x)$  i.e. new curve is below the old curve



**Division of Graphs**  
$$y = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$$
 can be thought of as  $y = f(x) \times \frac{1}{g(x)}$  and the same procedures as multiplication can be followed except;

- the *x* intercepts of *g*(*x*) will become vertical asymptotes or point discontinuities
- investigation the behaviour of the function for large values of *x* will be required (find horizontal/oblique asymptotes , look at dominance)

$$y = \frac{(x+1)(x-2)}{(x+2)(x-1)}$$
  
=  $\frac{x^2 - x - 2}{x^2 + x - 2}$   
=  $1 - \frac{2x}{x^2 + x - 2}$   $\therefore$  horizontal asymptote :  $y = 1$ 

e.g. 
$$y = \frac{(x+1)(x-2)}{(x+2)(x-1)}$$





odd function  $\times$  even function = odd function