

Perform Function Operations and Composition

Operations of Functions

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Addition	$h(x) = f(x) + g(x)$ OR $h(x) = (f + g)(x)$	
Subtraction	$h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$ OR $h(x) = (f - g)(x)$	
Multiplication	$h(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$ OR $h(x) = (f \cdot g)(x)$	
Division	$h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ OR $h(x) = \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$	

Given $f(x) = 2x^2 - 5x - 3$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3$, perform the indicated operations.

1. $(f+g)(x)$	2. $(f-g)(x)$
3. $g(x)-f(x)$	4. $(g \circ f)(x)$
5. $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$	6. $\left(\frac{g}{f}\right)(x)$

Composition of Functions: the process of combining two or more functions to create a new function. It is a process through which we will substitute an entire function into another function.

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To Evaluate $g(f(x))$:

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To write the new rule $g(f(x))$:

1. Plug in the rule of $f(x)$ into every x in $g(x)$.
2. Simplify.

**** The OUTPUT of $f(x)$ becomes the INPUT of $g(x)$. ****

Given $f = \{(1,2) (3,4) (5,4)\}$ and $g = \{(2,3) (4,3) (6,1)\}$, evaluate the composition.

7. $[f \circ g](2)$	8. $g(f(3))$	9. $[g \circ f](1)$	10. $[f \circ g](6)$
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Given $f(x) = x + 7$, $g(x) = x^2 - 3x + 6$, $h(x) = 4x - 1$, evaluate or perform the composition.

11. $[h \circ g](2)$	12. $h(f(-10))$	13. $h(g(x))$
14. $[g \circ h](x)$	15. $h(f(g(x)))$	

Function Operations

Domain & Range

Domain: Possible values for ____ that you may put into a function

The domain will be _____ UNLESS: (only 2 exceptions!!!)

- X is in a Denominator
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Ex 1 Perform the operation given that $f(x) = 4x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $g(x) = -9x^{\frac{1}{2}}$. State the domain of the resultant function.

a) $f(x) + g(x)$	b) $f(x) - g(x)$
Domain: _____	Domain: _____

Division:

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Ex 2 Perform the operation given that $f(x) = 4x^2 + 8x$ and $g(x) = x + 2$. State the domain of the resultant function.

a) $\frac{g(x)}{f(x)}$	b) $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$
Domain: _____	Domain: _____

Ex 3 Perform the operations given that $f(x) = 2x$ and $g(x) = 3x^2 - 5$.

c) $f(g(x))$ $f(g(x)) =$ _____ Domain: _____	d) $g \circ f(x)$ $g \circ f(x) =$ _____ Domain: _____
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Ex 4 State the domain of the following functions.

a. $f(x) = \frac{4}{x-3}$	e. $g(x) = \frac{5}{x-9}$
b. $h(x) = \frac{5}{2x+7}$	f. $j(x) = \frac{9}{x^2-4}$
c. $k(x) = \sqrt{2x}$	g. $l(x) = \sqrt{2-3x}$
d. $d(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x}}$	h. $g(k(x))$

Perform Function Operations and Composition

Operations of Functions (resultant)

Let f and g be any two functions. A new function h can be defined by performing any of the four basic operations on f and g .

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Addition	$h(x) = f(x) + g(x)$ OR $h(x) = (f + g)(x)$	$h(x) = 5x + x + 2$ $h(x) = 6x + 2$
Subtraction	$h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$ OR $h(x) = (f - g)(x)$	$h(x) = 5x - (x + 2)$ $h(x) = 5x - x - 2$ $h(x) = 4x - 2$
Multiplication	$h(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$ OR $h(x) = (f \cdot g)(x)$	$h(x) = 5x \cdot (x + 2)$ $h(x) = 5x^2 + 10x$
Division	$h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ OR $h(x) = \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$	$h(x) = \frac{5x}{x + 2}$

Given $f(x) = 2x^2 - 5x - 3$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3$, perform the indicated operations.

1. $(f + g)(x) = 2x^2 - 5x - 3 + x^2 - 4x + 3$ $f(x) + g(x) = 3x^2 - 9x$	2. $(f - g)(x) = 2x^2 - 5x - 3 - (x^2 - 4x + 3)$ $f(x) - g(x) = 2x^2 - 5x - 3 - x^2 + 4x - 3$ $f(x) - g(x) = x^2 - x - 6$
3. $g(x) - f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3 - (2x^2 - 5x - 3)$ $g(x) - f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3 - 2x^2 + 5x + 3$ $g(x) - f(x) = -x^2 + x + 6$	4. $(g \cdot f)(x)$ $g(x) \cdot f(x) = (x^2 - 4x + 3)(2x^2 - 5x - 3)$ $= 2x^4 - 5x^3 - 3x^2 - 8x^3 + 20x^2 + 12x + 6x^2 - 15x - 9$ $g(x) \cdot f(x) = 2x^4 - 13x^3 + 23x^2 - 3x - 9$
5. $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{2x^2 - 5x - 3}{x^2 - 4x + 3} = \frac{(x-3)(2x+1)}{(x-3)(x-1)}$ $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{2x+1}{x-1}$	6. $\left(\frac{g}{f}\right)(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4x + 3}{2x^2 - 5x - 3} = \frac{(x-3)(x-1)}{(x-3)(2x+1)}$ $\frac{g(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{(x-1)}{(2x+1)}$

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$$2x^2 - 6x + x - 3$$

$$2x(x-3) + 1(x-3)$$

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Given $f = \{(1,2) (3,4) (5,4)\}$ and $g = \{(2,3) (4,3) (6,1)\}$, evaluate the composition.

7. $[f \circ g](2)$ $f(g(2))$ $g(2) = 3$ $f(3) = 4$ $f(g(2)) = 4$	8. $g(f(3))$ $f(3) = 4$ $g(4) = 3$ $g(f(3)) = 3$	9. $[g \circ f](1)$ $g(f(1))$ $f(1) = 2$ $g(2) = 3$ $g(f(1)) = 3$	10. $[f \circ g](6)$ $f(g(6))$ $g(6) = 1$ $f(1) = 2$ $f(g(6)) = 2$
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Given $f(x) = x + 7$, $g(x) = x^2 - 3x + 6$, $h(x) = 4x - 1$, evaluate or perform the composition.

11. $[h \circ g](2)$ $h(g(2))$ $g(2) = 2^2 - 3(2) + 6$ $g(2) = 4 - 6 + 6 = 4$ $h(4) = 4(4) - 1 = 15$ $h(g(2)) = 15$	12. $h(f(-10))$ $f(-10) = -10 + 7 = -3$ $h(-3) = 4(-3) - 1$ $= -12 - 1 = -13$ $h(f(-10)) = -13$ $f(\odot) = \odot + 7$ $\circ B r w$	13. $h(g(x))$ $h(x^2 - 3x + 6)$ $= 4(x^2 - 3x + 6) - 1$ $= 4x^2 - 12x + 24 - 1$ $h(g(x)) = 4x^2 - 12x + 23$
14. $[g \circ h](x)$ $g(h(x)) = g(4x - 1)$ $= (4x - 1)^2 - 3(4x - 1) + 6$ $= 16x^2 - 8x + 1 - 12x + 3 + 6$ $g(h(x)) = 16x^2 - 20x + 10$	* 15. $h(f(g(x)))$ $h(f(x^2 - 3x + 6))$ $h(x^2 - 3x + 6 + 7)$ $h(x^2 - 3x + 13)$ $4(x^2 - 3x + 13) - 1$ $4x^2 - 12x + 52 - 1$ $h(f(g(x))) = 4x^2 - 12x + 51$	

Function Operations

Division, Domain & Range

Domain: Possible values for x that you may put into a function

The domain will be $(-\infty, \infty)$ UNLESS: (only 2 exceptions!!!)
 $\mathbb{R}, x \in \mathbb{R}$

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Ex 1 Perform the operation given that $f(x) = 4x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $g(x) = -9x^{\frac{1}{2}}$. State the domain of the resultant function.

$$f(x) = 4\sqrt{x} \quad g(x) = -9\sqrt{x}$$

<p>a) $f(x) + g(x)$ $4\sqrt{x} + (-9\sqrt{x})$ $f(x) + g(x) = -5\sqrt{x}$</p> <p>Domain: $x \geq 0$ or $[0, \infty)$</p>	<p>b) $f(x) - g(x)$ $4\sqrt{x} - (-9\sqrt{x})$ $f(x) - g(x) = 13\sqrt{x}$</p> <p>Domain: $x \geq 0$ or $[0, \infty)$</p>
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Ex 2 Perform the operation given that $f(x) = 4x^2 + 8x$ and $g(x) = x + 2$. State the domain of the resultant function.

<p>a) $\frac{g(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{x+2}{4x^2+8x} = \frac{(x+2)}{4x(x+2)}$ $\frac{g(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{1}{4x}$ $x \neq 0$ $x+2 \neq 0$ $x \neq -2$</p> <p>Domain: $x \neq -2, x \neq 0$ $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$</p>	<p>b) $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{4x^2+8x}{x+2} = \frac{4x(x+2)}{(x+2)}$ $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 4x$ $x+2 \neq 0$</p> <p>Domain: $x \neq -2$ $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, \infty)$</p>
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Ex 3 Perform the operations given that $f(x) = 2x$ and $g(x) = 3x^2 - 5$.

<p>c) $f(g(x)) = f(3x^2 - 5)$ $= 2(3x^2 - 5)$</p> <p>$f(g(x)) = 6x^2 - 10$</p> <p>Domain: $x \in \mathbb{R}$ or $(-\infty, \infty)$</p>	<p>d) $g \circ f(x)$ $g(f(x)) = g(2x)$ $= 3(2x)^2 - 5$ $= 3(4x^2) - 5$ $= 12x^2 - 5$</p> <p>$g \circ f(x) = 12x^2 - 5$</p> <p>Domain: $x \in \mathbb{R}$ or $(-\infty, \infty)$</p>
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Ex 4 State the domain of the following functions.

<p>a. $f(x) = \frac{4}{x-3}$ $x-3 \neq 0$</p> <p>D: $x \neq 3$ or D: $(-\infty, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$</p>	<p>e. $g(x) = \frac{5}{x-9}$ $x-9 \neq 0$</p> <p>D: $x \neq 9$ D: $(-\infty, 9) \cup (9, \infty)$</p>
<p>b. $h(x) = \frac{5}{2x+7}$ $2x+7 \neq 0$</p> <p>D: $x \neq -\frac{7}{2}$ or D: $(-\infty, -\frac{7}{2}) \cup (-\frac{7}{2}, \infty)$</p>	<p>f. $l(x) = \frac{9}{x^2-4}$ $x^2-4 \neq 0$ $x^2 \neq 4$</p> <p>D: $x \neq \pm 2$ D: $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$</p>
<p>c. $k(x) = \sqrt{2x}$ $2x \geq 0$</p> <p>D: $x \geq 0$ or D: $[0, \infty)$</p>	<p>g. $l(x) = \frac{2-3x}{2-3x}$ $2-3x \geq 0$ $-3x \geq -2$</p> <p>D: $x \leq \frac{2}{3}$ D: $(-\infty, \frac{2}{3}]$</p>
<p>d. $d(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x}}$ $1-x \geq 0$ $-x \geq -1$ $x \leq 1$</p> <p>$\sqrt{1-x} \neq 0$ $1-x \neq 0$ $1 \neq x$</p> <p>D: $x < 1$ D: $(-\infty, 1)$</p>	<p>* h. $g(k(x))$ $g(\sqrt{2x})$ $x \geq 0$ $g(k(x)) = \frac{5}{\sqrt{2x}-9}$ $x \neq \frac{81}{2}$</p> <p>D: $[0, \frac{81}{2}) \cup (\frac{81}{2}, \infty)$</p>

$$\begin{aligned}
 2x &\geq 0 & \sqrt{2x}-9 &\neq 0 \\
 x &\geq 0 & \sqrt{2x} &\neq 9 \\
 & & 2x &\neq 81 \\
 & & x &\neq \frac{81}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$