

Section 3.7. Operations on Functions.

Given two real numbers, we get a new real number.
Ex 2.7. $\rightarrow 2 - 7 = -5$.

We know four operations ($+$, $-$, \times , \div) on Real Numbers.

We will see five operations ($+$, $-$, \times , \div , \circ) on Functions.

Given two functions,
we get a new function.

Composition!

Sum, Difference, Product, and Quotient of Functions:

Given functions f and g ,

- $f + g$ (sum)
- $f - g$ (difference)
- fg (product)
- $\frac{f}{g}$ (quotient)

are

new functions, and they are defined as follows:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) \\ (f-g)(x) = f(x) - g(x) \\ (fg)(x) = f(x)g(x) \\ \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \text{ when } g(x) \neq 0 \end{array} \right.$$

input \rightarrow real numbers

$(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$: True.

~~$f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$~~ : Not True.

$$f(3) = 4 \cdot 3 - 1 = 12 - 1 = 11 \quad g(3) = 2 \cdot 3^2 = 2 \cdot 9 = 18$$

Ex $f(x) = 4x - 1$, $g(x) = 2x^2$

$$(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) = 4x - 1 + 2x^2 \quad (f+g)(3) = (f+g)(3) = 4 \cdot 3 - 1 + 2 \cdot 3^2$$

$$(f+g)(3) = f(3) + g(3) = 11 + 18 = 29$$

$$(f-g)(x) = f(x) - g(x) = 4x - 1 - 2x^2$$

$$(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x) = (4x-1) \cdot 2x^2$$

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{4x-1}{2x^2}$$

$$(f-g)(3) = f(3) - g(3) = 11 - 18 = -7$$

$$(fg)(3) = f(3) \cdot g(3) = 11 \cdot 18 = 198$$

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(3) = \frac{f(3)}{g(3)} = \frac{11}{18}$$

Proof 1) We know that $(f+g)(x) = 4x - 1 + 2x^2$

$$(f+g)(3) = 4 \cdot 3 - 1 + 2 \cdot 3^2 = 12 - 1 + 18 = 11 + 18 = 29$$

What can we say about the domains of these new functions?

Domain of $f+g$, $f-g$, and fg is $D(f) \cap D(g)$

Domain of f Domain of g

Domain of $\frac{f}{g}$ is $D(f) \cap D(g) - \{ \text{the set of all } x \text{ such that } g(x) = 0 \}$

$$1 - x^2 \geq 0 \xrightarrow{\text{multiply } (-1)} x^2 - 1 \leq 0 \Rightarrow (x+1)(x-1) \leq 0 \Rightarrow [-1, 1] : D(f)$$

Ex $f(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2}$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{2x-1}$ $2x-1 \geq 0 \Rightarrow 2x \geq 1 \Rightarrow x \geq \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow D(g) = [\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$

$$(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2} + \sqrt{2x-1} \quad \text{Domain} = [-1, 1] \cap [\frac{1}{2}, \infty) = [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$$

If we set $x=0$, $\sqrt{1-0^2} = \sqrt{1} = 1$, $\sqrt{2 \cdot 0 - 1} = \sqrt{-1}$ Does not make sense!

$$(f-g)(x) = f(x) - g(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2} - \sqrt{2x-1} \quad \text{Domain} = [-1, 1] \cap [\frac{1}{2}, \infty) = [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$$

$$(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2} \cdot \sqrt{2x-1} \quad \text{Domain} = [-1, 1] \cap [\frac{1}{2}, \infty) = [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$$

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} = \frac{\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2}}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} - 1}} \quad \text{Domain} = [\frac{1}{2}, 1] - \left\{\frac{1}{2}\right\}$$

$$g(x) = \sqrt{2x-1} = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ we should exclude it! } \Rightarrow \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right]$$



Polynomial function : $f(x) = (\text{polynomial})$ Ex $f(x) = \frac{x^4 - 3x^2 + 4x - 1}{\text{polynomial}}$

Algebraic function : $f(x) = (\text{algebraic expression})$ Ex $f(x) = \frac{x+3}{\sqrt{x-1}}$

Composition of Function

Given two function $f(x)$ and $g(x)$, the composite function

$f \circ g$ is defined as follows : $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$
 $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$

$(f \circ g)(x) = ?$

$$f(x) = 4x - 1$$

$$f(2) = 4 \cdot 2 - 1, \quad f(g(x)) = 4 \cdot g(x) - 1.$$

Ex If $f(x) = 4x - 1$ and $g(x) = 2x^2 + 1$, then

$$1) (f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = 4 \cdot g(x) - 1 = 4 \cdot (2x^2 + 1) - 1 = 8x^2 + 4 - 1 = 8x^2 + 3$$

$$2) (g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = 2 \cdot f(x)^2 + 1 = 2 \cdot (4x - 1)^2 + 1 = 2 \cdot (16x^2 - 8x + 1) + 1$$

$$3) (f \circ f)(x) = f(f(x)) = 4 \cdot f(x) - 1 = 4 \cdot (4x - 1) - 1 = 16x - 4 - 1 = 16x - 5$$

$$\text{use } (a-b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$$

$$= 32x^2 - 16x + 2 + 1 = 32x^2 - 16x + 3$$

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$$4) (g \circ g)(x) = g(g(x)) = 2 \cdot g(x)^2 + 1 = 2 \cdot (2x^2 + 1)^2 + 1 = 2 \cdot (4x^4 + 4x^2 + 1) + 1 = 8x^4 + 8x^2 + 2 + 1 = 8x^4 + 8x^2 + 3$$

$$5) (g \circ f)(1) = g(f(1)) = g(3) = 19$$

$$\text{use } (a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2 = 8x^4 + 8x^2 + 3$$

$$f(x) = 4x - 1 \Rightarrow f(1) = 4 \cdot 1 - 1 = 4 - 1 = 3$$

$$g(x) = 2x^2 + 1$$

$$g(3) = 2 \cdot 3^2 + 1 = 2 \cdot 9 + 1 = 18 + 1 = 19$$

What can we say about the domain of the composite function?

Domain of $f \circ g$ is

$D(g) - \{ \text{the set of all } x \text{ such that } f \text{ is undefined at } g(x) \}$.

\uparrow Domain of g .

Ex Let $f(x) = x^2 - 4$ and

$g(x) = \sqrt{x}$.

Ex 3 is in $D(g)$.

1) Domain of $f \circ g$?

$f(g(x)) = (g(x))^2 - 4$

$f(g(3)) = (g(3))^2 - 4 = (\sqrt{3})^2 - 4 = 3 - 4 = -1$.

Wrong proof: $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = g(x)^2 - 4 = (\sqrt{x})^2 - 4 = x - 4 \Rightarrow \text{Domain} = (-\infty, \infty)$

Ex $(f \circ g)(-1) = f(g(-1)) = f(\sqrt{-1})$: -1 is not in the domain!

\uparrow not a real number

Correct proof: $D(g) = [0, \infty)$.

We need to exclude any points x in $D(g)$ such that f is undefined at $g(x)$.

However, the domain of f is all real number: $(-\infty, \infty)$ so f is always defined \Rightarrow there is nothing to exclude.

Hence, the domain of $f \circ g$ is $[0, \infty)$

2) Domain of $g \circ f$? Will do it on Sep. 29.