

Section 2.7 – Combining Functions

- Two functions can be added, subtracted, multiplied, or divided

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مدى الدالتين $A \cap B$

Example 1

Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$

(a) Find the functions $f + g$, $f - g$, fg , and f/g and their domains.

(b) Find $(f + g)(4)$, $(f - g)(4)$, $(fg)(4)$, and $f/g(4)$

Solution

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-2} \quad D: (-\infty, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$$

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x} \quad D: [0, \infty)$$

$$(a) \quad f + g = \frac{1}{x-2} + \sqrt{x}$$

$$D: D(f(x)) \cap D(g(x))$$

$$D: [0, 2) \cup (2, \infty) = \{x \mid x \geq 0, x \neq 2\}$$

$$f - g = \frac{1}{x-2} - \sqrt{x} \quad D: [0, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$$

$$fg = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{x-2} \quad D: [0, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$$

$$f/g = \frac{1}{x-2} \div \sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}(x-2)}$$

$$D: [0, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$$

$$(b) \quad f+g(4) = \frac{1}{4-2} + \sqrt{4} = \frac{1}{2} + 2 = \frac{5}{2}$$

- For the two functions f and g , the **composite function** $f \circ g$ is defined by

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

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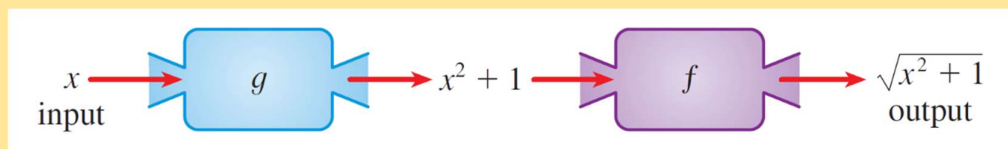
Example:

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x} \text{ and } g(x) = x^2 + 1$$

$$f \circ g = f(g(x)) = f(x^2 + 1) = \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$$

لاحظ

بدأنا من الدالة الداخلية (في المثال $g(x)$) ثم نستخدم الناتج منها كمداخل للدالة الخارجية $f(x)$



Example 2

Let $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = x - 3$

(a) Find the functions $f \circ g$, and $g \circ f$ and their domains.

(b) Find $(f \circ g)(5)$, and $(g \circ f)(7)$

Solution

$$(a) \quad f \circ g = f(g(x)) = (x-3)^2$$

$$\mathcal{D}: \mathbb{R}$$

$$g \circ f = g(f(x)) = x^2 - 3$$

$$\mathcal{D}: \mathbb{R}$$

$$(b) \quad (f \circ g)(5) = (5-3)^2 = 4$$

$$(g \circ f)(7) = 7^2 - 3 = 46$$

Example 3

Use $f(x) = 2x - 3$ and $g(x) = 4 - x^2$ to evaluate the expression.

(a) $f(g(0))$

(b) $g(f(0))$

(c) $f(f(2))$

(d) $(f \circ g)(-2)$

Solution

$$(a) \ g(0) = 4 - 0 = 4$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(0)) &= f(4) \\ &= 2(4) - 3 = 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \ f(0) = 2(0) - 3 = -3$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(f(0)) &= 4 - (-3)^2 \\ &= 4 - 9 = -5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (c) \ f(2) &= 2(2) - 3 \\ &= 4 - 3 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(f(2)) = 2(1) - 3 = -1$$

$$\begin{aligned} (d) \ (f \circ g)(-2) &= f(g(-2)) \\ g(-2) &= 4 - (-2)^2 = 4 - 4 = 0 \\ f(g(-2)) &= 2(0) - 3 = -3 \end{aligned}$$

Example 4

Let $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{2-x}$, find the following functions and their domains

(a) $f \circ g$

(b) $g \circ f$

(c) $f \circ f$

(d) $g \circ g$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad f \circ g &= f(g(x)) \\ &= f(\sqrt{2-x}) = \sqrt{\sqrt{2-x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2-x &\geq 0 \\ -x &\geq -2 \\ x &\leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$D: (-\infty, 2]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad g \circ f &= g(f(x)) \\ &= g(\sqrt{x}) = \sqrt{2-\sqrt{x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2-\sqrt{x} &\geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x \geq 0 \\ -\sqrt{x} &\geq -2 \\ \sqrt{x} &\leq 2 \\ x &\leq 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$D: [0, 4]$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad f \circ f = f(f(x)) = f(\sqrt{x}) = \sqrt{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$D: [0, \infty) = \{x \mid x \geq 0\}$$

Problems

- Find $f + g$, $f - g$, fg , and f/g and their domains.

(a) $f(x) = x^2 + x$, $g(x) = x^2$

(b) $f(x) = 5 - x$, $g(x) = x^2 - 3x$

(a) $f + g = x^2 + x + x^2 = 2x^2 + x$ $D: \mathbb{R}$

$f - g = x^2 + x - x^2 = x$ $D: \mathbb{R}$

$fg = (x^2 + x)(x^2) = x^4 + x^3$ $D: \mathbb{R}$

$f/g = \frac{x^2 + x}{x^2}$ $D: \mathbb{R}/\{0\}$

(b) $f + g = 5 - x + x^2 - 3x = x^2 - 4x + 5$ $D: \mathbb{R}$

$f - g = 5 - x - (x^2 - 3x)$
 $= 5 - x - x^2 + 3x = 5 + 2x - x^2$ $D: \mathbb{R}$

$fg = (5 - x)(x^2 - 3x)$
 $= 5x^2 - 15x - x^3 + 3x^2 = 8x^2 - 15x - x^3$ $D: \mathbb{R}$

$f/g = \frac{5 - x}{x^2 - 3x}$

$x^2 - 3x = 0 \Rightarrow x(x - 3) = 0$
 $x = 0 \text{ or } x = 3$

$D: \mathbb{R}/\{0, 3\}$

- Find the functions $f \circ g$, $g \circ f$, $f \circ f$, and $g \circ g$ and their domains.

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

$$\begin{aligned} f \circ g &= f(g(x)) \\ &= (x+1)^2 = x^2 + 2x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$D: \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g \circ f &= g(f(x)) \\ &= x^2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$D: \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f \circ f &= f(f(x)) \\ &= (x^2)^2 = x^4 \end{aligned}$$

$$D: \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g \circ g &= g(g(x)) \\ &= (x+1) + 1 = x + 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$D: \mathbb{R}$$

- Find the functions $f \circ g$, $g \circ f$, $f \circ f$, and $g \circ g$ and their domains.

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}, g(x) = 2x - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} f \circ g &= f(g(x)) \\ &= \frac{2x-1}{(2x-1)+1} = \frac{2x-1}{2x} \quad D: \mathbb{R} / \{0\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g \circ f &= g(f(x)) \\ &= 2\left(\frac{x}{x+1}\right) - 1 = \frac{2x}{x+1} - 1 \\ &= \frac{2x - (x+1)}{x+1} = \frac{x-1}{x+1} \quad D: \mathbb{R} / \{-1\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f \circ f &= \frac{\frac{x}{x+1}}{\frac{x}{x+1} + 1} = \left(\frac{x}{x+1}\right) \div \left(\frac{x}{x+1} + 1\right) \\ &= \frac{x}{x+1} \div \left(\frac{x + x+1}{x+1}\right) = \frac{x}{x+1} \div \frac{2x+1}{x+1} \\ &= \frac{x}{\cancel{x+1}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{x+1}}{2x+1} = \frac{x}{2x+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2x+1 &= 0 \\ x &= -\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$D: \mathbb{R} / \{-\frac{1}{2}\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g \circ g &= g(g(x)) \\ &= 2(2x-1) - 1 = 4x - 2 - 1 \\ &= 4x - 3 \quad D: \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

- Use $f(x) = 5 - x$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 3x$ to evaluate the expression.

(a) $g(f(-2))$

(b) $f(g(3))$

(c) $(f \circ f)(-1)$

(d) $(g \circ g)(1)$

$$(a) \quad f(-2) = 5 - (-2) = 5 + 2 = 7$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(f(-2)) &= g(7) \\ &= 7^2 - 3(7) = 49 - 21 = 28 \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \quad g(3) = 3^2 - 3(3) = 0$$

$$f(g(3)) = f(0) = 5 - 0 = 5$$

$$(c) \quad f(-1) = 5 - (-1) = 5 + 1 = 6$$

$$f(f(-1)) = 5 - 6 = -1$$

$$(d) \quad g(1) = 1^2 - 3(1) = -2$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(g(1)) &= (-2)^2 - 3(-2) \\ &= 4 + 6 = 10 \end{aligned}$$

- Use the table to evaluate the expression.

x	1	2	3	4	5	6
$f(x)$	2	3	5	1	6	3
$g(x)$	3	5	6	2	1	4

(a) $f(g(2))$

(b) $(f \circ g)(6)$

(c) $(f \circ f)(5)$

(d) $f(5) - 3g(6)$

(a) $g(2) = 5$

$f(g(2)) = f(5) = 6$

(b) $g(6) = 4$

$f(g(6)) = f(4) = 1$

(c) $f(5) = 1$

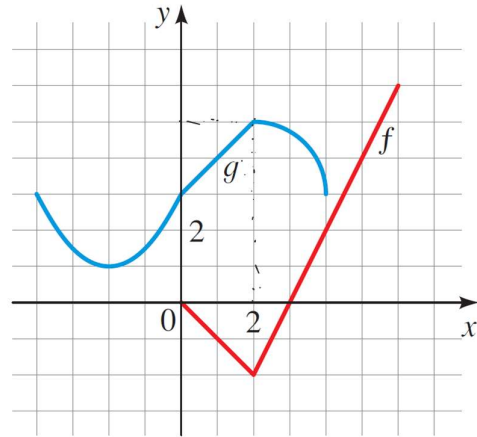
$f(f(5)) = f(1) = 3$

(d) $f(5) - 3g(6)$

$= 6 - 3(4)$

$= 6 - 12 = -6$

- Use the given graphs of f and g to evaluate the expression.



(a) $f(g(2))$

(b) $(g \circ f)(4)$

(c) $(g \circ g)(-2)$

$$(a) \quad g(2) = 3$$

$$f(3) = 4$$

$$(b) \quad f(4) = 2$$

$$g(2) = 3$$

$$(c) \quad g(-2) = 1$$

$$g(1) = 2$$