

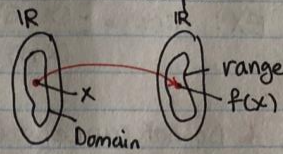
sec 1.3, 2.1

A function f consists of 2 parts.

1. Domain: the set of real numbers allowed as inputs
2. A rule that assigns exactly one output per # in domain

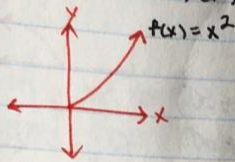
→ the range of a f^{ct} is the set of all outputs

\mathbb{R} = the set of real #'s



EX: Consider $f(x) = x^2$ w/ Domain $[0, \infty^+]$.

then:



Convention: if f is only given as formula, we assume domain = \mathbb{R} except for parts that don't make sense.

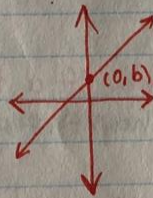
EX. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$; domain: $(-\infty, 0) \cup (0, +\infty)$

$g(x) = \sqrt{x}$; domain $[0, +\infty)$ range: $[0, +\infty)$

Linear Functions

$$f(x) = mx + b \leftarrow f(0)$$

↑
slope

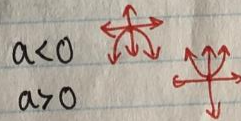


Polynomial Functions

$$p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$$

Domain = $(-\infty, +\infty)$

for degree 2 ($n=2$) $\rightarrow f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$



Rational Functions

$$r(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} \text{ where } p, q \text{ are polynomials.}$$

Domain: \mathbb{R} except points where $q(x) = 0$

$$\text{EX: } r(x) = \frac{-(x+5)(x-1)}{(x+1)(x-1)} ; \text{ Domain is } (-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 1) \cup (1, +\infty)$$

* Do not cancel zero; $\frac{3 \cdot 0}{2 \cdot 0} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} \neq \frac{0}{0}$ *

Root Functions

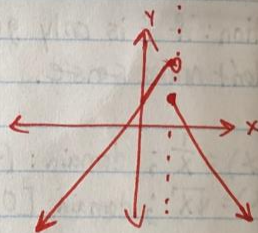
$$f(x) = \sqrt[n]{x} \text{ or } x^{\frac{1}{n}} ; n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

↳ when n is even, domain is $[0, +\infty)$

↳ " " " odd, " " $(-\infty, +\infty)$

Piecewise-defined Functions

$$\text{EX: } f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x+1 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ -x+2 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$



The Graph of a function pg 16

$f(x)$ is height of graph above x , or Signed Vertical Distance

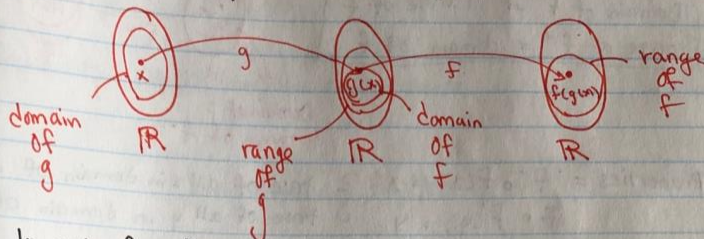
Vertical Line Test Pg 18

A set of points represents a function if every vertical line crosses the set at most once.

Sec (1.4, 2.2, 2.3)

Composition of Functions

Let f and g be functions; then the composition $f \circ g$ is the function defined by $f \circ g(x) = f(g(x))$



In order for $f(g(x))$ to make sense we need x to be in the domain of g and $g(x)$ to be in the domain of f .

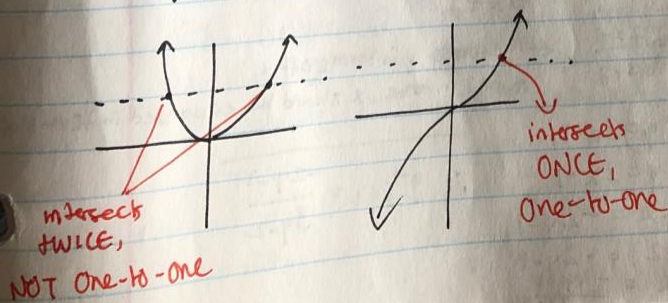
Ex. $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$, $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$, find domain of composition $f \circ g$

Solution: $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{\frac{1}{x} - 1}{\frac{1}{x} + 1} = \frac{1-x}{1+x}$
 $= \frac{(1-x) \cancel{x}}{(1+x) \cancel{x}}$ * Do NOT CANCEL \cancel{x}

Domain is $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \neq 0, x \neq -1\}$ or $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 0) \cup (0, +\infty)$

Inverse of Function

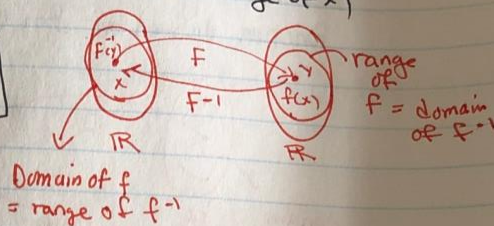
a function is one-to-one if no distinct inputs produce the same output
We use 'horizontal line test'



Def. Let f be a one-to-one f^{ct} . Then the inverse of f , denoted f^{-1} , is defined by the rule:

$$f^{-1}(y) = x, \quad f(x) = y \quad (y \text{ is in the range of } f)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Domain of } f^{-1} &= \text{range of } f \\ \text{range of } f^{-1} &= \text{domain of } f \end{aligned}$$



Properties = $f^{-1} \circ f(x) = x$ } true of all x in domain of f
 $f \circ f^{-1}(y) = y$ } true of all y in domain of f^{-1}

EX. $f(x) = x^3$

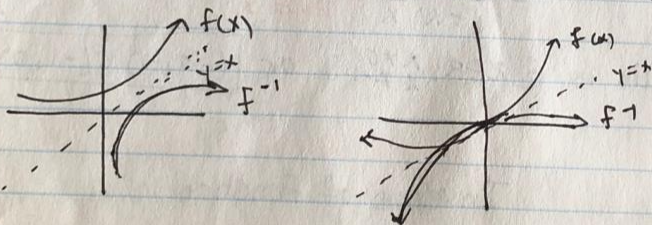
Solution

1. Is f^{ct} | 1 to 1? yes.

Then $f^{-1}(y) = y^{\frac{1}{3}}$

$g(y) = \sqrt{y}$ is not the inverse of $f(x) = x^2$

Graph of f^{-1} is the reflection of f in the line $y = x$



EX. Find inverse of $g(x) = \frac{2x-1}{3x+2}$

Solution: $y = g(x) = \frac{2x-1}{3x+2}$ ← express y in terms of x
 to find inverse, x should be expressed in terms of y

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{2x-1}{3x+2} \Rightarrow (3x+2)y = 2x-1 \\ &\Rightarrow 3xy + 2y = 2x-1 \\ &\Rightarrow 3xy - 2x = -2y-1 \\ &x(3y-2) = -2y-1 \\ &x = \frac{-2y-1}{3y-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore g^{-1}(y) = \frac{-2y-1}{3y-2}$$