

(1) [Marks: 4] Express $f(x) = \left| \frac{2x-4}{3x+2} \right|$ as a piecewise function.



$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2x-4}{3x+2} & x < -\frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{2x-4}{3x+2} & -\frac{2}{3} < x < 2 \\ \frac{2x-4}{3x+2} & 2 \leq x \end{cases}$$

(2) (Marks: 4) Consider the following functions:

$D(p)$ is the distance (in kilometres) one can travel on a train by buying a ticket worth p dollars

$T(d)$ is the time taken (in hours) to travel on a train a distance of d kilometres

$W(t)$ is Bill's weekly salary (in dollars) where t is the week of the year ($1 \leq t \leq 52$)

(a) What is the meaning of the following function: $T \circ D$?

$(T \circ D)(x) = T(D(x))$; so input x must be dollars (for D)
and output must be time (from T)

$\rightarrow (T \circ D)(p)$ is time taken (in hours) travelling on a train when you spend p dollars (for a ticket).

(b) What combination of two or more of these 3 functions will tell you how far Bill can travel by train each week if he uses his entire weekly salary?

input: week output: distance



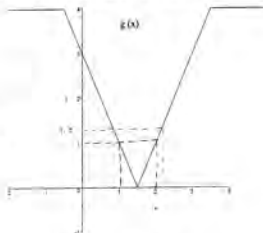
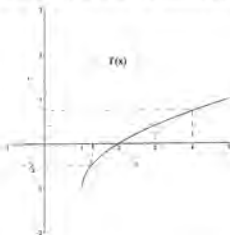
what is function F ?

functions that have input week: W { inner function }
functions that have output distance: D { outer function } only chooses for the composition

$$(D \circ W)(t) = D(W(t)) : \begin{matrix} t \\ \text{week} \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} W(t) \\ \text{dollars d.} \\ \text{Bill's salary} \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} D(d) \\ \text{distance travelled} \end{matrix}$$

$\therefore D \circ W$ is distance travelled on Bill's weekly salary.

- (3) [Marks: 9] Below are the graphs of two functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$. The domain of $f(x)$ is $[1, \infty)$ and the range of $f(x)$ is $[-1, \infty)$. The domain of $g(x)$ is $(-\infty, \infty)$ and the range of $g(x)$ is $[0, 4]$.



- (a) Using these graphs, determine (approximately) the value of $(f \circ g)(0)$ and $(g \circ f)(4)$. Explain your reasoning by referring to the graphs.

$$(f \circ g)(0) = f(g(0)); \text{ from graphs } g(0) = 3 \text{ and } f(3) \approx 0.2$$

$$\text{So } (f \circ g)(0) = f(g(0)) = f(3) \approx 0.2$$

- (b) Determine an (approximate) x for which $(f \circ g)(x) = -1/2$. Explain your reasoning by referring to the graphs.

$$\text{From graphs, } f(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ for } x \approx 1.3$$

$$g(x) = 1.3 \text{ for } x \approx \underline{\underline{0.9}} \text{ or } \underline{\underline{2.3}}$$

- (c) Determine the domain and range of $f \circ g$.

domain: x such that $g(x)$ in domain of f . Domain of f is $[1, \infty)$ so need $g(x) \geq 1$. From graph, $g(x) \geq 1$ if $x \leq 1$ or $x \geq 2$

So domain $f \circ g$ is $(-\infty, 1] \cup [2, \infty)$.

range: for $x \in (-\infty, 1] \cup [2, \infty)$, $g(x)$ gives values in $[1, 4]$; call these values z . Then $f(z)$ gives values $[1, 0.8]$ for these z .

So, range $f \circ g$ is $[1, 0.8]$

(4) [Marks: 10] (a) Prove that $h(z) = \frac{|3z|}{1-2z^2}$ is not one-to-one.

$$\left. \begin{aligned} h(-1) &= \frac{|3(-1)|}{1-2(-1)^2} = \frac{|-3|}{1-2} = \frac{3}{-1} = -3 \\ h(1) &= \frac{|3(1)|}{1-2(1)^2} = -3 \end{aligned} \right\} h(-1) = h(1)$$

(b) Prove that $f(x) = 3 + \sqrt{x^3 - 7}$ is one-to-one.

$$\begin{aligned} f(a) = f(b) &\Rightarrow 3 + \sqrt{a^3 - 7} = 3 + \sqrt{b^3 - 7} \\ &\rightarrow \sqrt{a^3 - 7} = \sqrt{b^3 - 7} \\ &\rightarrow a^3 - 7 = b^3 - 7 \quad (\text{because if } \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{y} \text{ then } x = y) \\ &\rightarrow a^3 = b^3 \\ &\rightarrow a = b \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

(c) Find $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 3 + \sqrt{x^3 - 7} \\ y - 3 &= \sqrt{x^3 - 7} \\ (y - 3)^2 &= x^3 - 7 \\ x^3 &= (y - 3)^2 + 7 \\ x &= \sqrt[3]{(y - 3)^2 + 7} \rightarrow f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt[3]{(x - 3)^2 + 7} \end{aligned}$$

(d) Verify that $(f^{-1} \circ f)(x) = x$.

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(f(x)) &= f^{-1}(3 + \sqrt{x^3 - 7}) = \left[\left([3 + \sqrt{x^3 - 7}] - 3 \right)^2 + 7 \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= \left[(\sqrt{x^3 - 7})^2 + 7 \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} = \left[x^3 - 7 + 7 \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} = \left[x^3 \right]^{\frac{1}{3}} = x \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

- (5) (Marks: 10) Sketch two possible graphs of $p(x) = -2x^2(x-1)^3(x+2)^2$. Make use of the shape of the graph near the zeros, all intercepts, end behaviour, and the number of possible points where the tangent line is horizontal.

$p(x) = -2x^8 + \dots$; and behaviour $p(x) \rightarrow -\infty$ as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$
 degree = 8 \Rightarrow at most 7 points where tangent line is horizontal.

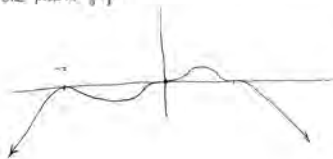
Behaviour near roots 0, 1, -2;

$x=0$, $(x-1)^3 \sim (0-1)^3 = -1 < 0$, $(x+2)^2 > 0$ so $p(x) \sim kx^8$ where $k > 0$

$x=1$, $x^2 \sim 1^2 > 0$, $(x+2)^2 > 0$, so $p(x) \sim k(x-1)^3$ where $k < 0$

$x=-2$, $x^2 \sim (-2)^2 < 0$, $(x-1)^3 \sim (-2-1)^3 < 0$, so $p(x) \sim k(x+2)^2$ where $k < 0$

one possible graph



5 flat points

another



7 flat points

- (6) [Marks: 9] Sketch the graph of $R(x) = \frac{-4x^2 - 8x + 12}{3x + 2}$. Find all intercepts, asymptotes, and determine how the graph approaches the asymptotes.

$$-4x^2 - 8x + 12 = -4(x-1)(x+3) = 0 \text{ at } x=1, -3$$

$$3x+2=0 \text{ at } x = -\frac{2}{3}$$

→ vertical asymptote $x = -\frac{2}{3}$; $-4x^2 - 8x + 12 > 0$

$$x \text{ near } -\frac{2}{3} \text{ but } x < -\frac{2}{3}; \quad 3x+2 < 0 \Rightarrow R(x) \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$x \text{ near } -\frac{2}{3} \text{ but } x > -\frac{2}{3}; \quad 3x+2 > 0 \Rightarrow R(x) \rightarrow +\infty$$

Horizontal asymptote: None since degree numerator > degree denominator

Sloant asymptote: $3x+2 \mid -4x^2 - 8x + 12$

$$\begin{array}{r} -\frac{4}{3}x - \frac{16}{9} \\ \underline{-4x^2 - 8x + 12} \\ -\frac{16}{3}x + 12 \\ -\frac{16}{3}x - \frac{32}{9} \\ \hline 12 + \frac{88}{9} \end{array}$$

$$R(x) = -\frac{4}{3}x - \frac{16}{9} + \left(\frac{12 + \frac{88}{9}}{3x+2} \right)$$

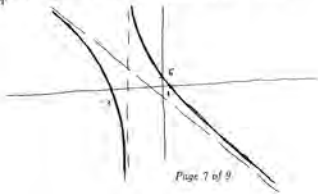
→ 0 as $x \rightarrow \pm \infty$

sloant asymptote $y = -\frac{4}{3}x - \frac{16}{9}$

as $x \rightarrow +\infty$; $\frac{12 + \frac{88}{9}}{3x+2} > 0$, $R(x)$ above asymptote

as $x \rightarrow -\infty$; $\frac{12 + \frac{88}{9}}{3x+2} < 0$, $R(x)$ below asymptote

y-intercept: $R(0) = 6$; x intercepts: 1, -3



- (7) (Marks: 4) Given that 2 is a root of $p(x) = x^4 - 5x^3 + 7x^2 + 9x - 10$, find the complete factorization of $p(x)$.

$$p(x) = 0 \Rightarrow p(x) = (x-2)q(x).$$

$$\text{we see that } q(x) = (x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 5)$$

Look for roots of $q(x)$; by trial and error we find

$$q(-1) = 0 \text{ so } q(x) = (x+1)h(x)$$

$$\text{where } h(x) = (x^2 - 4x + 5)$$

$$\text{Now use quadratic formula: } x = \frac{4}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{16-20}}{2}$$

but discriminant is < 0 so no roots;

$x^2 - 4x + 5$ is irreducible.

$$\Rightarrow p(x) = (x-2)(x+1)(x^2 - 4x + 5)$$

(8) (Marks: 4) Find the partial fraction decomposition of $f(x) = \frac{-2}{3(x-1)(2x+1)(3x+2)}$

$$\frac{-2}{3(x-1)(2x+1)(3x+2)} = \frac{A}{3(x-1)} + \frac{B}{(2x+1)} + \frac{C}{3x+2}$$

multiply both sides by $3(x-1)(2x+1)(3x+2)$;

$$-2 = A(2x+1)(3x+2) + 3B(x-1)(3x+2) + 3C(x-1)(2x+1)$$

$$\text{let } x = 1; \quad -2 = A(3)(5) \Rightarrow A = -\frac{2}{5}$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2}; \quad -2 = 3B(-\frac{3}{2})(-\frac{1}{2}) \Rightarrow B = -\frac{8}{9}$$

$$x = -\frac{2}{3}; \quad -2 = 3C(-\frac{5}{3})(-\frac{1}{3}) \Rightarrow C = -\frac{18}{5}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-2}{3(x-1)(2x+1)(3x+2)} &= \frac{-2}{18x^3 + 3x^2 - 15x - 6} \\ &= \frac{-2}{15(x-1)} - \frac{8}{9(2x+1)} - \frac{18}{5(3x+2)} \end{aligned}$$