

Agenda: 8/24/15

HW Leader:

None

Lesson 18

Function Composition
Review★ Test 1 on Friday
Lessons 1-24

★ Handout Calendar part 2

Warm-up:

- ① A company produces bolts of fabric with a fixed width. The cost of producing x yards is $C = f(x)$ dollars.
- (a) What does $f'(x)$ mean? What are the units?
 (b) In practical terms what does $f'(1000) = a$ mean?
 (c) Which is greater $f'(50)$, $f'(500)$ or $f'(5200)$?
- ② Find $\frac{d}{dx}(\sqrt{x})$.

Let f and g be two functions.

- $(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$
- $(f-g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$
- $(fg)(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$
- $(\frac{f}{g})(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

Function Composition

[plugging in a function to a function]

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

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

Ex. $f(x) = \sin(x)$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 1$

$$f \circ g(x) = f(g(x)) = \sin(g(x)) = \sin(x^2 - 1)$$

$$D = \mathbb{R}$$

$$R = [-1, 1]$$

$$g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = (f(x))^2 - 1 = \sin^2(x) - 1$$

$$D = \mathbb{R}$$

$$R = [-2, 0]$$

Domain of a Composition:

All real numbers that produce an output from the first that are also acceptable to the second.

Ex. 18.4 Write $h(x) = e^{-2x+1}$ as the composition of two functions.

$$f(x) = e^x \quad g(x) = -2x+1$$

$$h(x) = f(g(x)) = e^{g(x)} = e^{-2x+1} \quad \checkmark$$

Ex. 18.6 Let $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ and $g(x) = 2x+3$. Find the domain and range of $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$.

$$f \circ g(x) = \sqrt{2x+3}$$

Need output of $g(x) \geq 0$

$$\text{So } x \geq -\frac{3}{2} \quad \longrightarrow$$

Domain of f : $[0, \infty)$

Domain of g : \mathbb{R}

Domain of $f \circ g$: $[-\frac{3}{2}, \infty)$

Range of $f \circ g$: $[0, \infty)$ \longleftarrow

$$g \circ f(x) = 3\sqrt{x} + 3$$

Domain of g : \mathbb{R}

Domain of f : $[0, \infty)$

Range: $[3, \infty)$ \longleftarrow

Domain of $g \circ f$: $[0, \infty)$