

Chapter 24: Relations and Functions

Homework 2: Function Composition, One-one & Onto, Inverse Functions & Properties

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Key Concepts

1. **Composition** $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$ — Domain of g must be compatible with domain of f .
2. **One-one (Injective)**: $f(a) = f(b) \Rightarrow a = b$
3. **Onto (Surjective)**: Every element in codomain is image of at least one element in domain.
4. **Bijective**: Both one-one and onto — has an inverse.
5. **Inverse function f^{-1}** : Exists only if f is bijective; satisfies $f(f^{-1}(x)) = x$ and $f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$.
6. **Properties**: $(f \circ g) \circ h = f \circ (g \circ h)$, $(f \circ g)^{-1} = g^{-1} \circ f^{-1}$ (if both invertible).

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1. If $f(x) = 2x + 3$ and $g(x) = x - 5$, find $(f \circ g)(x)$.
 2. If $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = 3x - 1$, find $(g \circ f)(x)$.
 3. Let $h(x) = (f \circ g)(x)$ where $f(x) = x$ and $g(x) = x^2 + 4$. Find $h(x)$.
 4. If $f(x) = 1/x$ and $g(x) = x + 2$, find $(f \circ g)(3)$.
 5. Compute $(f \circ g)(-2)$ where $f(x) = x^3 - x$ and $g(x) = -x - 1$.
 6. If $f(x) = 4 - x$ and $g(x) = x^2$, find $(g \circ f)(x)$ and $(f \circ g)(x)$. Are they equal?
 7. Let $f(x) = 2x$, $g(x) = x/3$, $h(x) = x + 1$. Find $(f \circ g \circ h)(x)$.
 8. If $(f \circ g)(x) = 5x - 7$ and $g(x) = 2x + 1$, find $f(x)$.
 9. If $f(x) = x^2 + 3x$ and $(f \circ g)(x) = x + 6x^2 + 9$, find $g(x)$.
 10. Find $(f \circ f)(x)$ if $f(x) = 3 - 2x$.
 11. Let $f(x) = x + 1/x$ ($x \neq 0$). Find $(f \circ f)(x)$.
 12. If $f(x) = (x + 5)$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 9$, find the domain of $(f \circ g)(x)$.
 13. Find the domain of $(g \circ f)(x)$ where $f(x) = 1/(x - 2)$ and $g(x) = x$.

14. If $f(x) = -x - 3$ and $g(x) = x^2$, find $(f \circ g)(-4)$.
15. Let $f(x) = 2x + 1$, $g(x) = x - 3$, $h(x) = 1/x$. Find $(f \circ g \circ h)(2)$.
16. Is $f(x) = 3x + 7$ one-one on \mathbb{R} ? Justify.
17. Is $f(x) = x^2$ one-one on \mathbb{R} ? Justify using definition.
18. Is $f(x) = x^3$ one-one on \mathbb{R} ? Prove it.
19. Is $f(x) = 2x + 5$ onto \mathbb{R} ? Justify.
20. Is $f(x) = e^x$ one-one and onto from $(0, \infty)$?
21. Show that $f(x) = 4 - x^2$ is neither one-one nor onto on \mathbb{R} .
22. Is the function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ given by $f(n) = 2n$ one-one? Onto?
23. Is $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = -x$ one-one? Onto?
24. Let $f(x) = x + 1/x$ for $x \neq 0$. Is it one-one?
25. Is the constant function $f(x) = 5$ one-one? Onto? (codomain \mathbb{R})
26. If f is one-one and g is one-one, is $f \circ g$ one-one? Justify.
27. If f is onto and g is onto, is $f \circ g$ onto? Give reason.
28. Is $f(x) = x^3 - 3x$ one-one on \mathbb{R} ? (Hint: check derivative or horizontal line test)
29. Let $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be $f(x) = x^2$. Is it one-one? Onto?
30. Determine whether $f(x) = 1/(x^2 + 1)$ is one-one on \mathbb{R} .
31. Find the inverse of $f(x) = 5x - 12$.
32. Find $f^{-1}(x)$ if $f(x) = (x + 3)/4$.
33. If $f(x) = x^3 + 2$, find $f^{-1}(x)$.
34. Find the inverse of $f(x) = 7 - 2x$.
35. Let $f(x) = (x + 4)$ (domain $x > -4$). Find $f^{-1}(x)$ and its domain.
36. If $f(x) = e^{2x-1}$, find $f'(x)$.
37. Find the inverse of $f(x) = (2x + 3)/(x - 1)$.
38. Does $f(x) = x^2 - 4$ have an inverse on \mathbb{R} ? Why?
39. If $f(x) = -x - 3$, does it have an inverse on \mathbb{R} ? Restrict domain to make it invertible.
40. Verify that $f(x) = 3x + 1$ and $g(x) = (x - 1)/3$ are inverses.
41. If $f(x) = x^3 - 1$, find $f^{-1}(26)$.
42. Find the inverse of $f(x) = 4/(x - 2) + 3$.
43. Let $f(x) = 2x + 5$. Find $f^{-1}(17)$.
44. If $g(x) = 1 - x^2$ ($x \neq 0$), find $g^{-1}(x)$.
45. Show that $f(x) = (x + 1)/(x - 1)$ is its own inverse.

46. If f and g are both invertible, prove that $(f \circ g)^{-1} = g^{-1} \circ f^{-1}$.
47. If f is invertible, what is $(f \circ f^{-1})(x)$?
48. Let $f(x) = 2x$, $g(x) = x + 3$. Find $(f \circ g)^{-1}(x)$.
49. Show that function composition is associative: $(f \circ g) \circ h = f \circ (g \circ h)$.
50. If $f(x) = x + 1$ and $g(x) = x - 1$, find $(f \circ g)^{-1}(x)$ and $(g \circ f)^{-1}(x)$. Compare.
51. Let $f(x) = x^2$ ($x \neq 0$) and $g(x) = x$. Are f and g inverses?
52. If f is one-one, prove that $f \circ g$ is one-one only if g is one-one.
53. If f is onto, under what condition is $g \circ f$ onto?
54. Let $f(x) = 3x - 2$, $g(x) = x/3 + 2/3$. Show that $g = f^{-1}$.
55. Find $(f \circ g \circ f)(x)$ where $f(x) = x + 4$, $g(x) = 2x$.
56. If $f(x) = x^3$ and $g(x) = x^{1/3}$, find $(fg)(x)$ and $(gf)(x)$.
57. Let $f(x) = 1/x$ ($x \neq 0$). Find $f^{-1}(x)$.
58. If f is bijective, then f^{-1} is also bijective. True or false?
59. Give an example of two functions f and g such that $f \circ g = g \circ f$ but $f \neq g$.
60. Let $f(x) = x + \sin x$. Is f one-one on \mathbb{R} ? Does it have an inverse?