


Pre-Calculus: Functions or Else

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1.

 1. 求下列函数的自然定义域：

$$(1) y = \sqrt{3x+2};$$

$$(2) y = \frac{1}{1-x^2};$$

$$(3) y = \frac{1}{x} - \sqrt{1-x^2};$$

$$(4) y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x^2}};$$

$$(5) y = \sin \sqrt{x};$$

$$(6) y = \tan(x+1);$$

$$(7) y = \arcsin(x-3);$$

$$(8) y = \sqrt{3-x} + \arctan \frac{1}{x};$$

$$(9) y = \ln(x+1);$$

$$(10) y = e^{\frac{1}{x}}.$$

2.

下列各题中,函数 $f(x)$ 和 $g(x)$ 是否相同? 为什么?

$$(1) f(x) = \lg x^2, g(x) = 2\lg x;$$

$$(2) f(x) = x, g(x) = \sqrt{x^2};$$

$$(3) f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x^4 - x^3}, g(x) = x \sqrt[3]{x-1};$$

$$(4) f(x) = 1, g(x) = \sec^2 x - \tan^2 x.$$

3.

Consider the function f described *implicitly* by

$$y = f(x), \quad x^2 - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad y \geq 0.$$

- i) Find y as a function of x (that is, find an explicit formula for $f(x)$).
- ii) What is natural domain of f ?
- iii) Find all points where the graph of f intercepts the axes.
- iv) Calculate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (2\sqrt{x^2 - 1} - 2x).$$

What does this limit tell you about the graph of f as $x \rightarrow \infty$?

- v) Sketch the graph of f .
- vi) Sketch the graph of the relation

$$x^2 - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1.$$

(Note that this is not a function.)

In general, any equation of the form

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1,$$

where a and b are positive real numbers, describes a *hyperbola*.

4.

- i) Use the intermediate value theorem to show that the equation

$$2 \cos x = x$$

has a positive root. In what interval does a root lie?

- ii) (Adapted from Stewart Q45, p.55.) Is there a real number that is exactly 1 more than its cube? (Hint: use the same technique as part i).)

5.

Question 4. Domain and composite functions

4 pts

- (a) Find the domain (this is the assumed maximal domain) of the function

$$f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2x+3}{x+1}}$$

2 subpts

- (b) Let $f(x) = 2x + 1$. Find a function $g(x)$ such that $(f \circ g)(x) = x^3$.

2 subpts

6.

Question 6. Continuous functions

5 pts


Consider the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{-x}, & x < 0 \\ 2 - x, & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ (2 - x)^2, & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

- (a) Sketch f . 1 subpts
- (b) At which points of its domain is the function continuous? 2 subpts
- (c) At which points of its domain is the function discontinuous? 2 subpts

Appeal to the definition of continuity in justifying your answers.

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解 (1) 不同,因为定义域不同.

(2) 不同,因为对应法则不同, $g(x) = \sqrt{x^2} = \begin{cases} x, & x \geq 0, \\ -x, & x < 0. \end{cases}$

(3) 相同,因为定义域、对应法则均相同.

(4) 不同,因为定义域不同.