# **Algebra and Functions**

Algebra - 8 hours

Sequences and series

Exponentials and logarithms

Binomial theorem (if time)

Functions - 24 hours

Concepts

Graphs

**Transformations** 

Graphs and equations of function families

Linear

Quadratic (and other polynomial)

Reciprocal

Exponential

Logarithmic

See syllabus for details

Finish just before Easter

End the year with Trig

### A

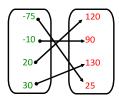
# **RELATIONS AND FUNCTIONS**

Relation: Pairs of items that are related in a predictable way.

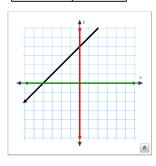
Example: You have \$100 in a bank account. You make a deposit or withdrawal. There is a *relation* between the balance in the bank and the transaction.

#### Relations have an "input" and an "output"

Input (Transaction)	Output (Balance)
20	120
-10	90
30	130
-75	25



(20, 120), (-10, 90), (30, 130), (-75, 25)



The set of all possible "inputs" is called the "**Domain**" of the relation.

The set of all possible "outputs" is called the "Range" of the relation.

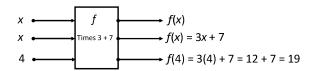
$$y = 100 + x$$

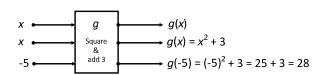
$$f(x) = 100 + x$$

$$f: x \mapsto 2x + 5$$

Notation: If f(x) = 100 + x, then f(2) = 100 + 2 = 102

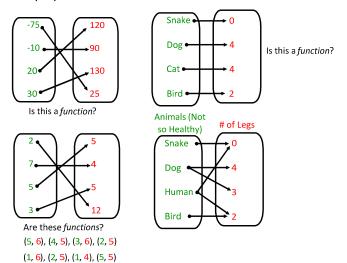
Think of a "function" machine that performs some operation:



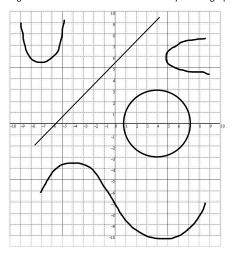


The output value is sometimes called the *image* of x.

A *function* is a relation that has exactly one output for every input.



Determining whether a relation is a function is easy from a graph:



**Vertical Line Test**: If a vertical line passes through the graph of a relation exactly once for all *x* in its domain, then the relation is a function in that domain.

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# **DOMAIN AND RANGE**

**Domain**: The set of all possible values of the input (x) to a relation. **Range**: The set of all possible values of the output (y) of a relation.

#### Notation:

Open circle means  $\emph{exclude}$  the point.

Solid circle means *include* the point.

 $\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}\ \{x \mid x > 2\}\ \{x \mid 0 \le x \le 12\}\ \{y \mid y < -6 \ or \ y \ge 6\}\ \{y \mid y \in \{2,3,4\}\}$ 



Domain:  $\{x \mid -1 < x \le 5\}$ Range:  $\{y \mid 1 < y \le 3\}$ 



 $Domain: \{x \mid x \neq 2\}$   $Range: \{y \mid y \neq -1\}$ 



 $Domain: \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ 

Range:  $\{y \mid y \ge -1\}$ 



 $Domain: \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ 

*Range* :  $\{y \mid y \le 6\frac{1}{4}\}$ 

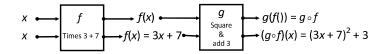
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1B: 2ace,5all,6,9,11

1C: 1adghi,2,3all,4jkl

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# **COMPOSITE FUNCTIONS**



The composite of two functions is created by using the output of one function as the input to the other function. Some properties:

 $(f \circ g)(x)$  is **not** the same as  $(g \circ f)(x)$  in general

The range of the first function in a composition is the domain of the second.

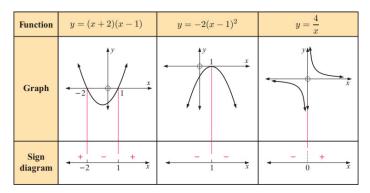
Try: Given 
$$f(x) = x^2 + 7$$
 and  $g(x) = 2x + 4$  find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and  $(g \circ f)(x)$   
 $(f \circ g)(x) = (2x + 4)^2 + 7$   $(g \circ f)(x) = 2(x^2 + 7) + 4$ 

1D: 1-4

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#### SIGN DIAGRAMS

Sometimes it's helpful to visualize a function. Short of creating a full graph of it, one can create a *sign diagram* showing just the sign of the function over its domain.



The horizontal line represents the x-axis

The *critical values* are written below the horizontal line. They are the *x*-intercepts and vertical asymptotes of the function.

The sign of the function (+ or -) is written between critical values above the horizontal line.

Notice that the sign does not always change between critical values.

**Factoring** (writing as a product) is a very helpful tool in creating sign diagrams because if any factor is zero, then the whole expression is zero!

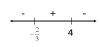
Notice how vertical *asymptotes* are represented. A vertical asymptote will occur *at any value of x that causes the function to divide by zero.* 

Draw a sign diagram for:

$$(3x + 2)(4 - x)$$

$$2x^2 + 9x - 5$$

$$\frac{(2x+3)(x-5)}{(x-4)(x+5)}$$





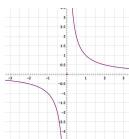


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# THE RECIPROCAL FUNCTION

The function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  is called the *Reciprocal Function*.



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# ASYMPTOTES OF OTHER RATIONAL FUNCTIONS

It generates a whole family of functions that are known as *Rational Functions* because they are written as ratios.

They often have *vertical asymptotes*:

at values of x where the denominator is zero.

They may also have zeros or roots:

at values of x where the numerator is zero.

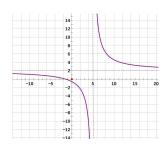
They may also have *horizontal asymptotes*:

a y value that the function approaches as x gets very large or small.

Consider the function  $\frac{(2x+3)}{(x-5)}$ 

Vertical asymptote at?

Horizontal asymptote at?



Notation:

Horizontal asymptotes

as  $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to 2$  from above or  $y \to 2^+$ as  $x \to -\infty$ ,  $y \to 2$  from below or  $y \to 2^-$ 

Vertical asymptotes

as  $x \to 5$  from the left,  $y \to \infty$  or as  $x \to 5^-$ ,  $y \to \infty$  as  $x \to 5$  from the right,  $y \to \infty$  or as  $x \to 5^+$ ,  $y \to \infty$ 

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# **INVERSE FUNCTIONS**

What is the inverse of

addition? multiplication? exponentiation? division? taking roots? subtraction?

Inverses undo an operation.

An *inverse function undoes* the operation of a forward function.

Example:

f(x) = 3x + 2 multiplies x by 3, then adds two

The inverse function, called  $f^{-1}(x)$  has to subtract 2 then divide by 3

so 
$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-2}{3}$$

Some properties of inverse functions:

The inverse of f(x) must itself be a function (satisfies vertical line test)

The inverse of f(x) is the reflection of f(x) over the line y = x!

$$f^{-1} \circ f = f \circ f^{-1} = x$$

The domain of  $f^1$  is the range of fThe domain of f is the range of  $f^1$ 

A self-inverse function is it's own inverse!

Any function that is symmetric around y = x is a self-inverse.

#### **Finding inverse functions**

Graphically

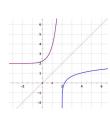
Graph the reflection over y = x

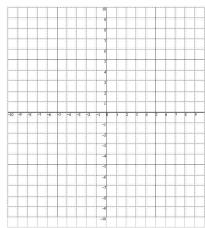
Algebraically

Switch the x and y, then solve for y.

Example:

$$y = \frac{1}{4}e^{2x} + 2$$





$$f(x) = y = \frac{1}{4}e^{2x} + 2$$
 so switch x and y to begin:

$$x = \frac{1}{4}e^{2y} + 2$$

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

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

$$\ln(4(x-2)) = 2y$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\ln(4(x-2)) = 2y$$

or 
$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2}\ln(4(x-2))$$

1H: 2,4,5,6,7,8,10,11,12,14