

Midterm Review

(1) $f(x)$ "stuff"

- Domain
- Inverse
- composition
- $f(x+h) - f(x)$

(2) Trigonometry

- special angles
- six trig functions
- word problems

Topics on the
midterm!

Practice Questions

(1) $f(x) = 5x^3 - 4x + 1$

$$g(x) = \frac{2}{x-6}$$

Find: a. $g(f(2))$

b. $f(g(8))$

c. $f(g(x))$ and $g(f(x))$

a. $g(f(2)) = ?$

$$\begin{aligned} f(2) &= 5(2)^3 - 4(2) + 1 \\ &= 5(8) - 8 + 1 \\ &= 33 \end{aligned}$$

$$g(f(2)) = g(33)$$

$$g(33) = \frac{2}{33-6} = \boxed{\frac{2}{27}}$$

b. $f(g(8)) = ?$

$$g(8) = \frac{2}{8-6} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$$f(g(8)) = f(1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(1) &= 5(1)^3 - 4(1) + 1 \\ &= 5 - 4 + 1 = \boxed{2} \end{aligned}$$

c. $f(g(x)) = ?$

$$= \boxed{5\left(\frac{2}{x-6}\right)^3 - 4\left(\frac{2}{x-6}\right) + 1}$$

$g(f(x)) = ?$

$$= \frac{2}{5x^3 - 4x + 1 - 6}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{2}{5x^3 - 4x - 5}}$$

② $f(x) = 5x^3 - 4$
Find $f^{-1}(x)$

① $y = 5x^3 - 4$

② $x = 5y^3 - 4$

③ $x + 4 = 5y^3$

$$\frac{x+4}{5} = y^3$$

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{x+4}{5}} = y$$

④ $f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt[3]{\frac{x+4}{5}}$

Steps to find the Inverse function ($f^{-1}(x)$)

① change $f(x)$ to y .

② switch x and y

③ solve for y

④ change y back to $f^{-1}(x)$

③ Find the Domain of:

a. $f(x) = \sqrt{8x-2}$

b. $f(x) = \frac{1}{5x+1}$

c. $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{8x+2}}{5x+1}$

d. $f(x) = \frac{5x+1}{\sqrt{8x+2}}$

a. $8x - 2 \geq 0$

$$8x \geq 2$$

$$x \geq \frac{1}{4} \text{ or } [\frac{1}{4}, \infty)$$

b. $5x + 1 \neq 0$

$$5x \neq -1$$

$$x \neq -\frac{1}{5} \text{ or } (-\infty, -\frac{1}{5}) \cup (-\frac{1}{5}, \infty)$$

c. $\sqrt{8x+2} \geq 0$

$$8x \geq -2$$

$$x \geq -\frac{1}{4}$$

AND

$$5x + 1 \neq 0$$

$$x \neq -\frac{1}{5}$$

$$x \geq -\frac{1}{4} \text{ and } x \neq -\frac{1}{5}$$

d. $8x + 2 > 0$

$$8x > -2$$

$$x > -\frac{1}{4}$$

When finding the Domain of a function look for the following things:

① you cannot have a negative under a square root

② you cannot have 0 in the denominator

③ if you have a square root in the denominator you have to set what is under the radical greater than 0

(b/c we can't have 0 or a negative)

④ $f(x) = 6x^2 + 4$
Find $f(x+h) - f(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}f(x+h) &= 6(x+h)^2 + 4 \\&= 6(x+h)(x+h) + 4 \\&= 6(x^2 + 2xh + h^2) + 4 \\&= 6x^2 + 12xh + 6h^2 + 4\end{aligned}$$

* DONT forget
the parenthesis

$$\begin{aligned}f(x+h) - f(x) &= 6x^2 + 12xh + 6h^2 + 4 - (6x^2 + 4) \\&= 6x^2 + 12xh + 6h^2 + 4 - 6x^2 - 4 \\&= \boxed{12xh + 6h^2}\end{aligned}$$

⑤ $f(x) = 4x^3 - 3x + 5$
Find $f(x+h) - f(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}f(x+h) &= 4(x+h)^3 - 3(x+h) + 5 \\&= 4(x^3 + 3x^2h + 3xh^2 + h^3) - 3x - 3h + 5 \\&= 4x^3 + 12x^2h + 12xh^2 + 4h^3 - 3x - 3h + 5\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f(x+h) - f(x) &= 4x^3 + 12x^2h + 12xh^2 + 4h^3 - 3x - 3h + 5 - (4x^3 - 3x + 5) \\&= \cancel{4x^3} + 12x^2h + 12xh^2 + 4h^3 - \cancel{3x} - 3h + \cancel{5} - \cancel{4x^3} + \cancel{3x} - \cancel{5} \\&= \boxed{12x^2h + 12xh^2 + 4h^3 - 3h}\end{aligned}$$