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VCE Mathematical Methods  $\frac{3}{4}$   
Functions & Relations Exam Skills [1.2]  
Workbook

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## Section A: Recap of [1.1] Functions and Relations

### Sub-Section: Maximal Domains

*Starting with a domain!*

#### Maximal Domain



- **Definition:** The largest possible set of input values (elements of the domain) for which the function is well-defined.
- **Three Important Rules:**

<u>Functions</u>	<u>Maximal Domain</u>
$\sqrt{z}$	$z \geq 0$
$\log(z)$	$z > 0$
$\frac{1}{z}$	$z \neq 0$

#### Steps

1. Find the restriction of the inside.
2. Sketch the graph if needed.
3. Solve for domain.

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## Sub-Section: Domain of Sum, Difference, and Product of Functions

*What about a domain of the sum of two functions?*

### Sums, Differences, and Products of Functions

#### ➤ Rules:

$$(f + g)(x) = \underline{f(x) + g(x)}$$

$$(f - g)(x) = \underline{f(x) - g(x)}$$

$$(f \times g)(x) = \underline{f(x) \times g(x)}$$

#### ➤ Idea:

*Domain of sum or product of two functions =  
intersection of the two domains*

#### ➤ Steps:

1. Find the domain of each function.
2. Find the intersection (draw a number line if needed).

### Question 1 Walkthrough.

Find the maximal domain of the following function:

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x - 2} + \log_3(12 - 2x)$$

**Question 2**

Find the maximal domain of each of the following functions.

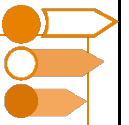
$$\log_3(x^2 - 4) + \frac{3}{x^2 - 1}$$

**Question 3 Extension.**

State the maximal domain of the following function.

$$y = \sqrt{5 - x} - \log_3\left(\frac{2}{x + 3}\right)$$

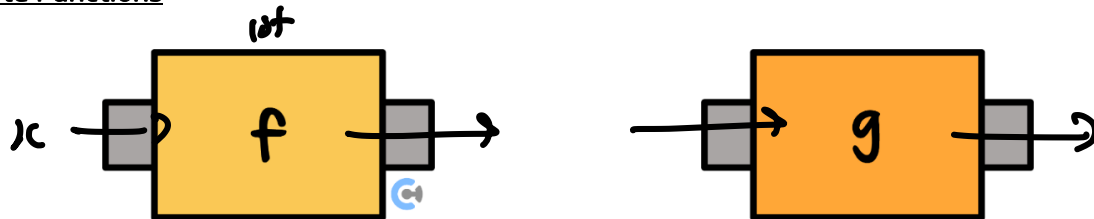
Sub-Section: Basics of Composition



*What was the "composition" of functions?*



Composite Functions



➤ Definition: A series of functions.

➤ Representation of the Above:

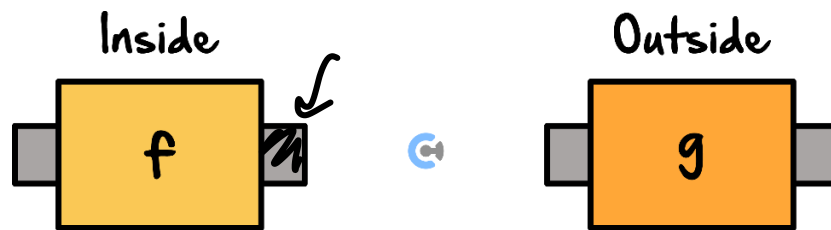
$$y = \underline{g(f(x)) = g \circ f(x)}$$

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Sub-Section: Validity of Composite Functions

*Did composite functions work all the time?*

Validity of Composite Functions



➤ Output of  $f(x)$ : Range of Inside (Label Above)

➤ Input of  $g(x)$ : Dom of Outside (Label Above)

➤ Composite Function is only valid if:

Range of Ins  $\subseteq$  Dom of Out

➤ Acronym:

**RIDO.**

**Question 4**

Consider the functions  $f(x) = \sqrt{x+2}$  and  $g(x) = x^2 - 4$  defined over their maximal domain.

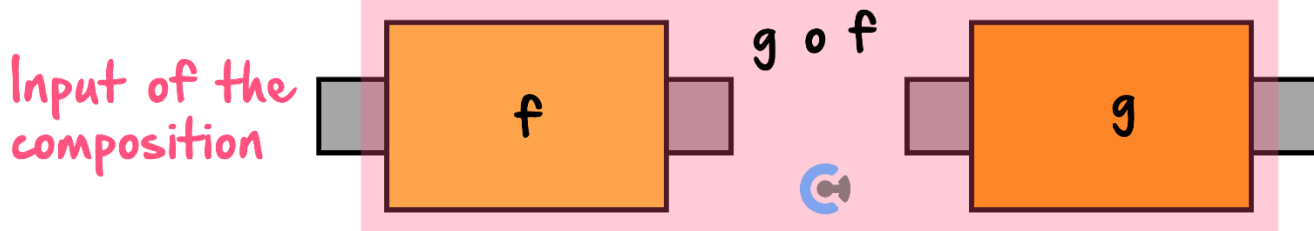
Explain why the composition  $f(g(x))$  is not valid.

Range  $g \not\subseteq$  Dom  $f$

Sub-Section: Domain of Composite Functions

*How did we find the domain of a composite function?*

Domain of Composite Functions



*Domain of Composite = Domain of Inside*

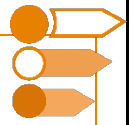
**Question 5**

Consider the functions  $f(x) = \sqrt{x+4}$  and  $g(x) = x^2 + 2$  defined over their maximal domain.

State the domain of the composite function  $g(f(x))$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Dom} &= \text{Dom } f \\ &= [-4, \infty) \end{aligned}$$

## Sub-Section: Range of Composite Functions



### Range of the Composite Functions



*Range of Composite  $\subseteq$  Range of the Outside*

► Finding the range of composition function: Use the domain and the rule, just like another function.

### Question 6 Walkthrough

Consider the functions:

$$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = x^2 - 4 \rightarrow [-4, \infty)$$

$$g: [-9, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = \sqrt{x + 9}$$

a. For the composite function  $g(f(x))$ , state the rule and domain.

b. State the range of  $g(f(x))$ .

c. State the range of  $g(x)$ .

d. Explain why the range of  $g$  is not the same as the range of  $g \circ f$ .



*Your turn!*



**Question 7**

Consider the functions:

$$f: [1, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = x^2 + 6$$

$$g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = x + 2$$

- a. For the composite function  $g(f(x))$ , state the rule and domain.

$$g(x^2+6) = x^2+6+2$$

$$= x^2+8$$

$$\text{Dom} = \text{Dom } f = [1, \infty)$$

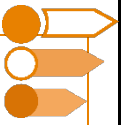
- b. State the range of  $g(f(x))$ .

$$y = x^2 + 8, \quad x \in [1, \infty)$$

$$\therefore \text{Range } g(f(x)) = [9, \infty)$$

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## Sub-Section: Basics of Inverses



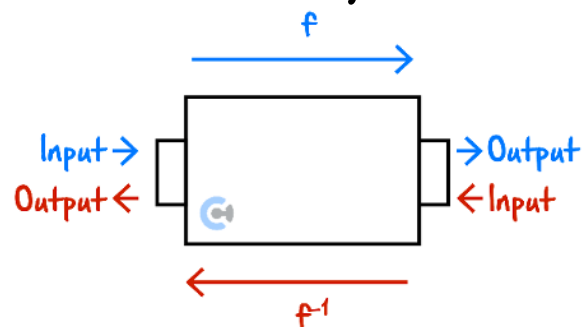
*What did "Inverse" mean?*



### Inverse Relation



➤ Definition: Inverse is a relation which does the opposite.



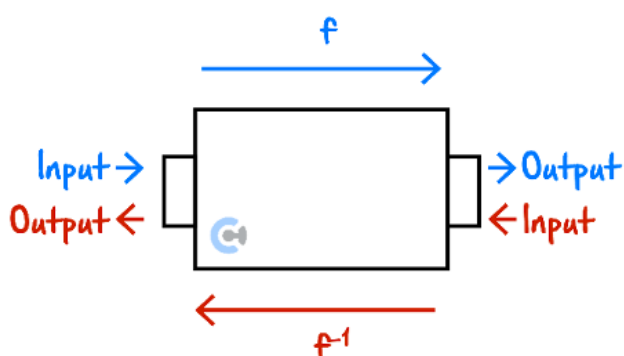
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Sub-Section: Swapping  $x$  and  $y$

*Is there a better way of solving for an inverse relation?*

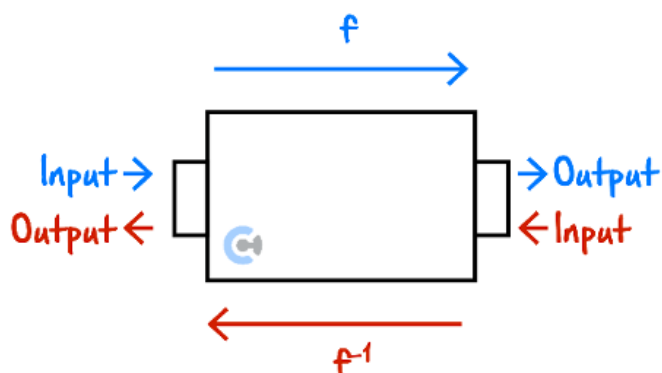
Solving for an Inverse Relation

➤ Swap  $x$  and  $y$ .



NOTE:  $f(x) = y$ .

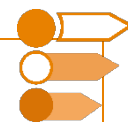
Domain and Range of Inverse Functions



$$\text{Dom } f^{-1} = \text{Range } f$$

$$\text{Ran } f^{-1} = \text{Dom } f$$

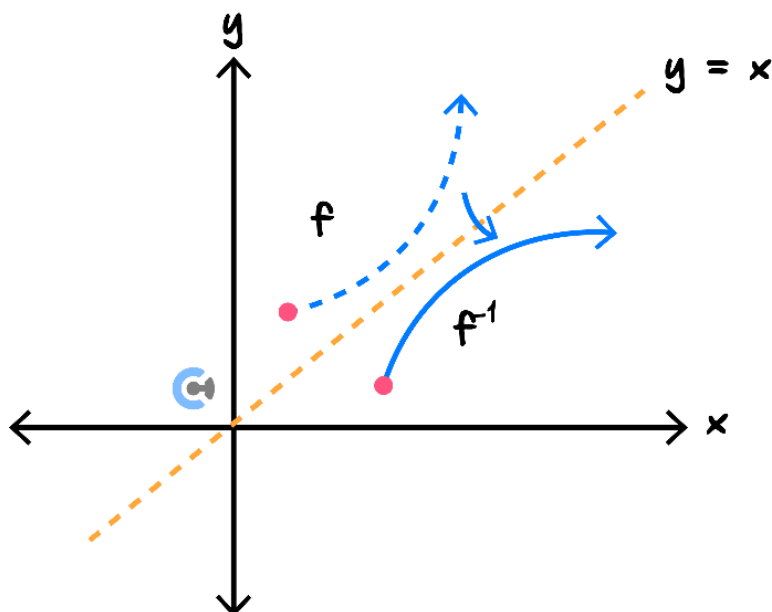
## Sub-Section: Symmetry Around $y = x$



*Why does this happen?*



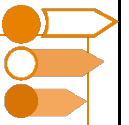
### Symmetry of Inverse Functions



➤ Inverse functions are always symmetrical around  $y = x$ .

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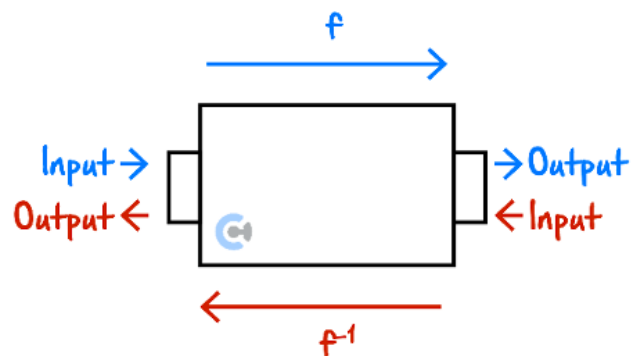
Sub-Section: Validity of Inverse Function



*Does an inverse function always exist?*



Validity of Inverse Functions



➤ Requirement for Inverse Function:

*f needs to be* 1:1

**Question 8 Walkthrough.**

Consider the function  $f: (-\infty, a] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = 2(x - 4)^2 - 8$ .

a. Find the largest possible value of  $a$  such that the inverse function  $f^{-1}$  exists.

b. Find the inverse function and its range.

**NOTE:** Finding function means to find the rule AND the domain.



**TIP:** Always try sketching the function to find the domain such that an inverse function can exist!



*Your turn!*



**Question 9**

Consider the function  $g: (-\infty, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = -x^2 - 8x - 14$ .

a. Find the largest possible value of  $b$  such that the inverse function  $g^{-1}$  exists.

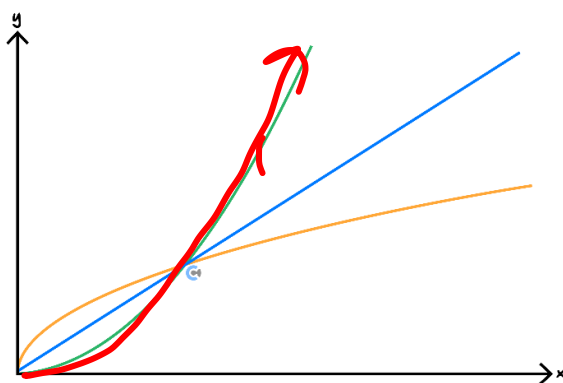
b. Find the inverse function and its range.

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## Sub-Section: Intersection Between Inverses

*Where do inverses meet?*

### Intersection Between a Function and its Inverse



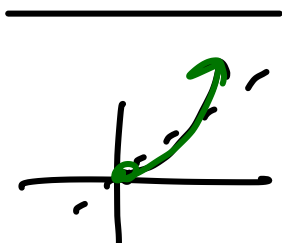
► Equate with  $y=x$  instead.

$$f(x) = x \text{ OR } f^{-1}(x) = x$$

► We cannot do this when the function is decreasing function.

### Question 10

Find the intersection between  $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = x^2$  and its inverse, without finding the inverse.



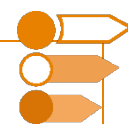
$$\begin{aligned} (x^2) &= x \\ \text{Many} \\ x^2 - x &= 0 \\ x(x-1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**NOTE:** This only works for an increasing function.

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 0, 1 \\ (0,0), (1,1) \end{aligned}$$



## Sub-Section: Composition of Inverses



### Composition of Inverse Functions



$$f \circ f^{-1}(x) = x, \quad \text{for all } x \in \text{Dom } f^{-1}$$

$$f^{-1} \circ f(x) = x, \quad \text{for all } x \in \text{Dom } f$$

**NOTE:** Domain = Domain of Inside.



#### Question 11 (4 marks)

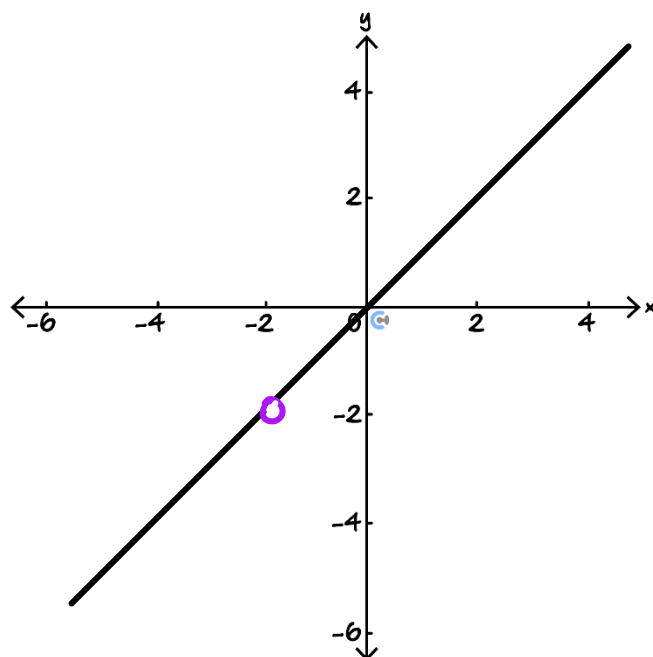
Consider the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2} - 3$ .

a. Find the rule and domain for  $f^{-1}(f(x))$ . (2 marks)

$$= x, \quad \text{Dom} = \text{Dom } f$$

$$= \{x \mid x \neq -2\}$$

b. Sketch the graph of  $y = f^{-1}(f(x))$  on the axes below. (2 marks)



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## Section B: Functions and Relations Exam Skills



### Context: Exam Skills

- We will go through specific skills that are common in the exams!
- It will be slightly harder so get ready!

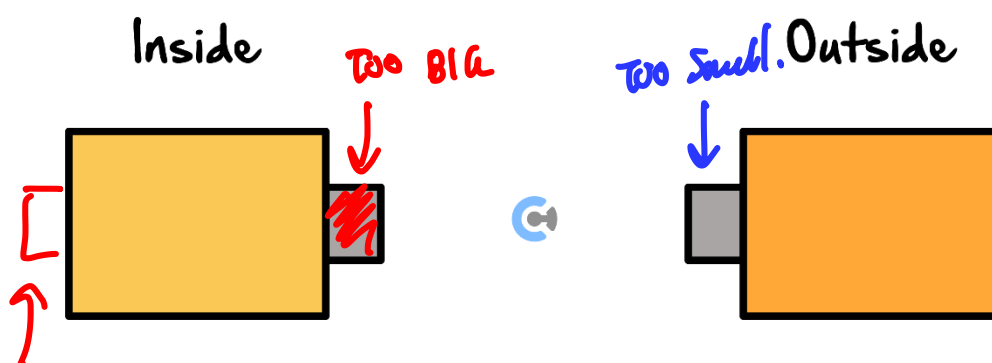
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## Sub-Section: Find a New Domain to Fix Composite Functions

*How can we go about fixing a broken composite function?*

### Exploration: Fixing Broken Function

- Consider the following, where the range of the inside is larger than the domain of the outside:



- Is it easier to decrease the range of the inside function, or increase the domain of the outside function? *(Label Above)*

[decrease range of inside function] / [increase domain of outside function]

- How can this be done? *(Label Above)* **Restrict the domain.**

### Fixing Broken Composite Functions

- **Aim:** Restrict the domain of the inside function so that the range of the inside function fits inside the domain of the outside.
- **Steps:**
  1. **Write down the RIDO statement** with the domain of the outside (as it is fixed).
  2. **Sketch the inside function** to see what domain is needed.

Let's look at some questions together!

Question 12 Walkthrough.

Consider  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and  $g(x) = 2x - 2$ , both defined over their maximal domains.

a. Is  $f(g(x))$  defined?

$$\text{Range } g \not\subseteq \text{Dom } f$$

$$\mathbb{R} \not\subseteq [0, \infty)$$

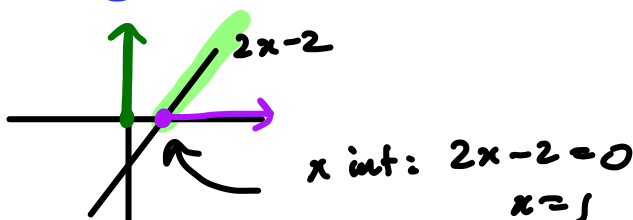
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b. Find the largest domain of  $g$  such that  $f(g(x))$  is defined.

1)  $\text{Range } g \subseteq \text{Dom } f$  : "rewrite the dom!"

$$\text{Range } (g) \subseteq [0, \infty)$$

2.



$$\text{Dom } (g) \subseteq [1, \infty)$$

TIP: Always start with the RIDO statement!





### Active Recall

- ✓ To restrict the domain of inside function so that the range of inside function fits inside the domain of outside.

1. Write down RIIO statement with the domain of the outside (as it is fixed).
2. Sketch the inside function to see what domain is needed.

### Your Turn!

#### Question 13

Consider  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$  and  $g(x) = \log_e(x)$ , both defined over their maximal domains.

- a. Is  $g(f(x))$  defined?

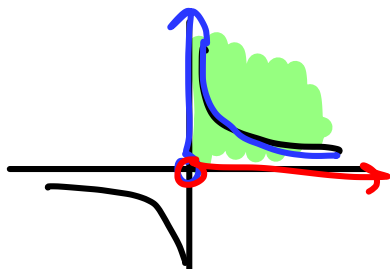
$$\text{Range } f \subseteq \text{Dom } g.$$

$$\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \subseteq (0, \infty).$$

- b. Find the largest domain of  $f$  such that  $g(f(x))$  is defined.

$$\text{Range } f \subseteq \text{Dom } g$$

$$\text{Range } f \subseteq (0, \infty)$$



$$\therefore \text{Dom } f = \underline{(0, \infty)}$$

**Question 14 Extension.**

Consider  $f(x) = x^2 - 1$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{(x+2)(x-3)}$ , both defined over their maximal domains.

a. Is  $g(f(x))$  defined?

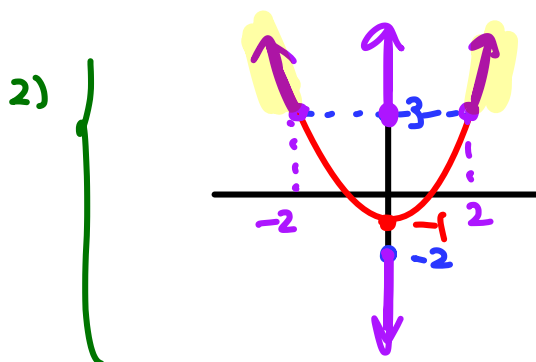
Range  $f \subseteq \text{Dom } g$   
 $[-1, \infty) \subseteq (-\infty, -2] \cup [3, \infty)$

$(x+2)(x-3) \geq 0$



b. Find the largest domain of  $f$  such that  $g(f(x))$  is defined.

1)  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Range } f \subseteq \text{Dom } g \\ \text{Range } f \subseteq (-\infty, -2] \cup [3, \infty) \end{array} \right.$



$x^2 - 1 = 3$

$x^2 = 4$

$x = \pm 2$

$\text{Dom } f = (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty)$

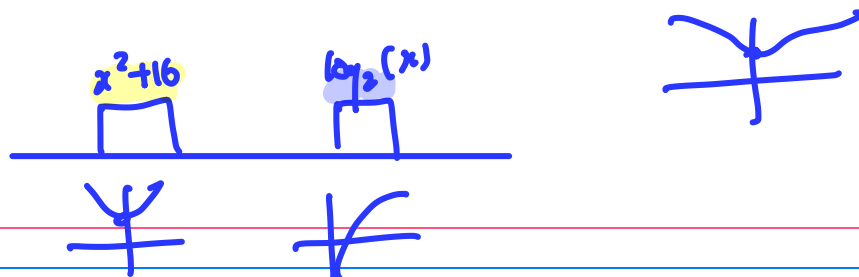
**Key Takeaways**

- ✓ The range of the inside function must be a subset of the domain of the outside function.
- ✓ We restrict the domain of the inside function so its range fits in the domain of the outside function.

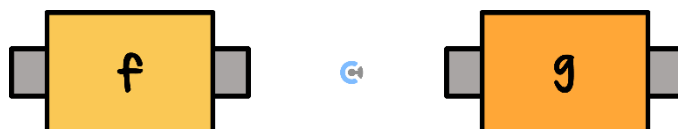


## Sub-Section: Find the range of complex composite functions

Discussion: How do we find a range of a complicated function? Eg:  $\log_2(x^2 + 16)$



### Finding Range of Complex Composite Functions



➤ Aim: Find the range of complicated functions.

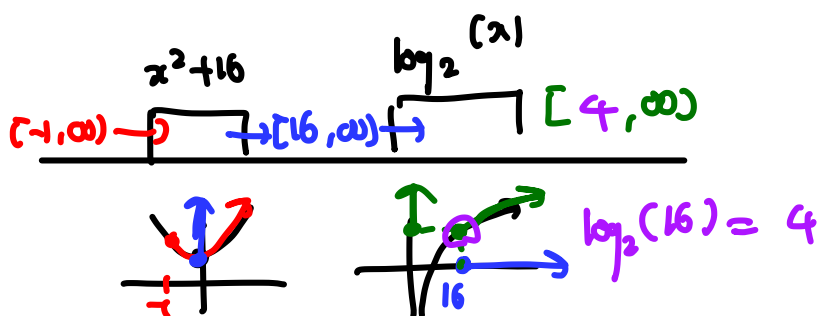
➤ Steps:

1. Break the function into components of two simple functions.
2. Follow the box diagram to find the range.

### Question 15 Walkthrough.

Find the range of  $f(x) = \log_2(x^2 + 16)$  where  $x \geq -1$ .

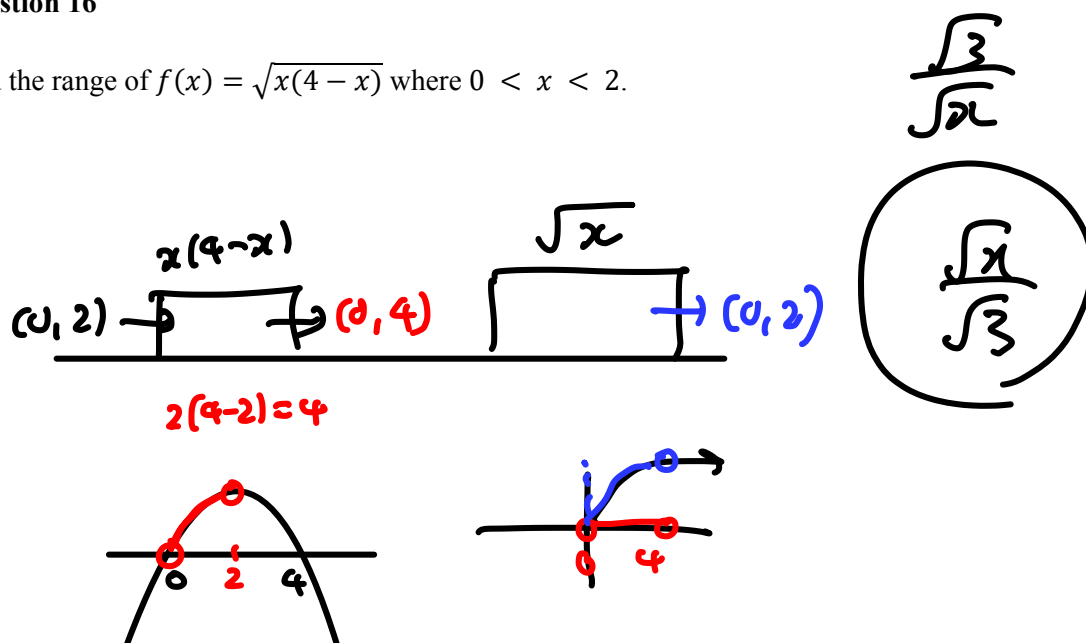
$$\text{Range } f = [4, \infty)$$





### Question 16

Find the range of  $f(x) = \sqrt{x(4-x)}$  where  $0 < x < 2$ .



### Question 17 Extension

Find the range of  $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{x^2-5x+6}}$  where  $0 < x < 2$ .



### Key Takeaways

- ✓ To find the range of a complicated function we can break the function into a composition of two simpler functions.



## Sub-Section: Find the Gradient of Inverse Functions

*This is a fun application of inverse with calculus!*

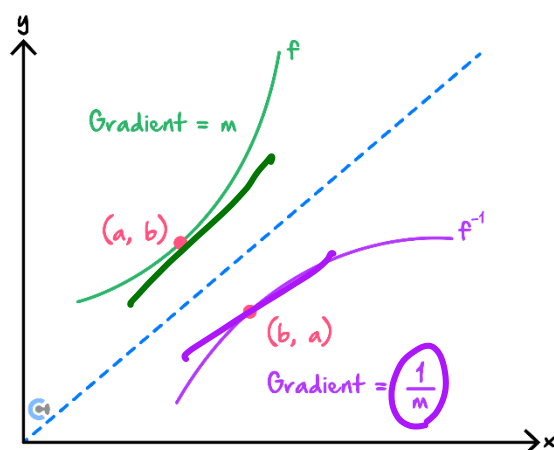
**REMINDER:** Gradient of a Point

$$\text{Gradient at a point} = \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)$$

**Discussion:** What would happen to the gradient when we inverse the function? (Inverse: Swap  $x$  and  $y$ .)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} \rightarrow \frac{dx}{dy}$$

### Gradient of an inverse



If Gradient of  $f$  at  $(a, f(a)) = m$

Gradient of  $f^{-1}$  at  $(f(a), a) = \frac{1}{m}$

**NOTE:** The  $x$ -value of the inverse is the  $y$ -value of the original function.



### Question 18 Walkthrough.

Consider the one-to-one function  $f$  with the following properties:

$f(3) = 5$  and  $f'(3) = 2$ . Find the gradient of  $f^{-1}$  at  $x = 5 = \frac{1}{2}$

$$f: (3, 5) \quad m = 2.$$

$$f^{-1}: (5, 3) \quad m = \frac{1}{2}$$

**TIP:** Try sketching the function roughly to see which point it corresponds to.



### Question 19

Consider the one-to-one function  $f$  with the following properties:

$f(1) = 2, f(3) = 10, f'(1) = 4$  and  $f'(3) = 6$ . Find the gradient of  $f^{-1}$  at  $x = 2$ .

$$f: (1, 2), (3, 10) \quad m = 4 \quad m = 6$$

$$f^{-1}: (2, 1), (10, 3) \quad m = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$m = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$f'(x) \times f^{-1}'(f(x)) = 1$$

$$f'(f^{-1}(x)) \times f^{-1}'(x) = 1$$

**Question 20 Extension.**

Consider the one-to-one function  $f$  with the following properties:

$f(a) = 5, f(4) = a, f'(4) = c$  and  $f'(a) = d$ . Find the gradient of  $f^{-1}$  at  $x = a$ .

**Key Takeaways**


✓ If the gradient of  $f$  at  $(a, f(a)) = m$ , then the gradient of  $f^{-1}$  at  $(f(a), a) = \frac{1}{m}$ .

**NOTE:** There are so many ways to link inverse functions to other topics we will see throughout the year!


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Section C: Exam 1 Questions (19 Marks)

INSTRUCTION: 19 Marks. 19 Minutes Writing.



Question 21 (6 marks)

The rule for a function  $f$  is given by  $f(x) = \sqrt{2x+4} - 1$ , where  $f$  is defined on its maximal domain.

- a. State the domain of  $f$ . (1 mark)

$$[-2, \infty)$$

- b. Find the domain and rule of the inverse function  $f^{-1}$ . (2 marks)

$$\text{let } y = f^{-1}(x)$$

$$x = \sqrt{2y+4} - 1$$

$$x+1 = \sqrt{2y+4}$$

$$(x+1)^2 = 2y+4$$

$$(x+1)^2 - 4 = 2y$$

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

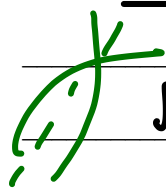
$$\text{Dom} = \text{Range } f$$

$$= [-1, \infty)$$

- c. State the range of  $f^{-1}$ . (1 mark)

$$[-2, \infty)$$

d. Find the point of the intersection between  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$ . (2 marks)



$$\sqrt{2x+4} - 1 = x$$

$$\sqrt{2x+4} = x+1$$

$$2x+4 = x^2+2x+1$$

$$3 = x^2$$

$$x = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{Dom } f = [-2, \infty)$$

$$\text{Dom } f^{-1} = [-1, \infty)$$

$$\text{As } -\sqrt{3} \notin [-1, \infty)$$

$$(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3})$$

### Question 22 (8 marks)

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , where  $f(x) = 2^x$  and  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where,  $g(x) = x^2 - 4$ .

a.

i. Find the rule for  $h$ , where  $h(x) = f(g(x))$ . (1 mark)

$$f(x^2-4) = 2^{x^2-4}$$

ii. State the domain and range of  $h$ . (2 marks)

$$\text{Dom} = \text{Dom } g = \mathbb{R}$$

$$y = 2^{x^2-4}$$

$$\mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{x^2-4} [-4, \infty) \xrightarrow{2^x} [\frac{1}{16}, \infty)$$

$$2^{-4} = \frac{1}{2^4} = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$\text{Range } h = [\frac{1}{16}, \infty)$$

b. Let  $k: (-\infty, a] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , where  $k(x) = 2^{x^2-4}$ . It is known that  $k$  has a turning point at  $x = 0$ .

i. Find the largest value of  $a$  such that  $k^{-1}$ , the inverse function of  $k$  exists. (1 mark)

$$a = 0$$

ii. Find the rule for  $k^{-1}$ . (2 marks)

Let  $y = k^{-1}(x)$  (Swap  $x$  &  $y$ )

$$x = 2^{y^2-4}$$

$$\log_2(x) = y^2 - 4$$

$$\log_2(x) + 4 = y^2$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = -\sqrt{\log_2(x) + 4}$$

as range  $k^{-1}$

$$= \text{Dom } k$$

$$= (-\infty, 0]$$

iii. State the domain of  $k^{-1}$ . (2 marks)

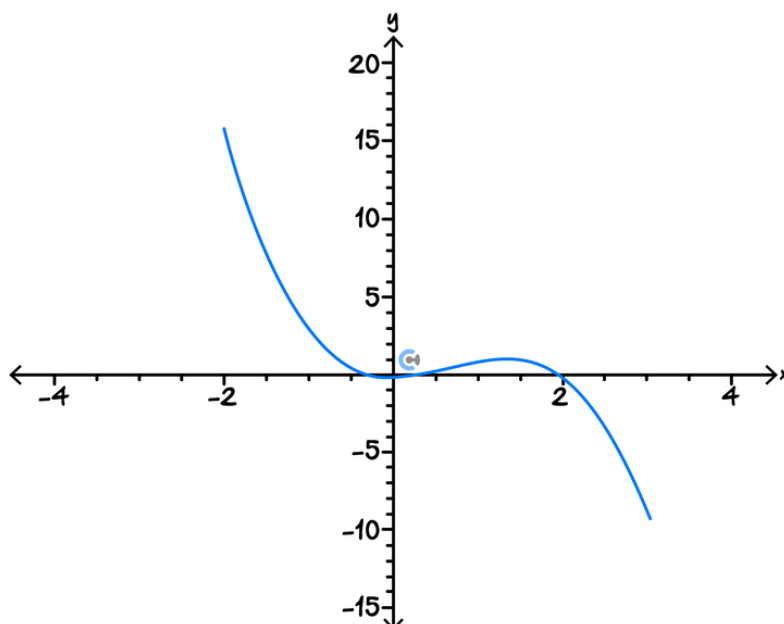
$$\text{Dom } k^{-1} = \text{Range } k$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{16}, \infty\right)$$

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**Question 23** (5 marks)

Consider the graph of  $f(x)$  and the function, below.



$$f: [-2, 3] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = 2x^2 - x^3 = x^2(2-x)$$

$$g: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = \log_e(x)$$

- a. Find the range of  $f$ . (2 marks)

$$f(-2) = 4(2+2) = 16$$

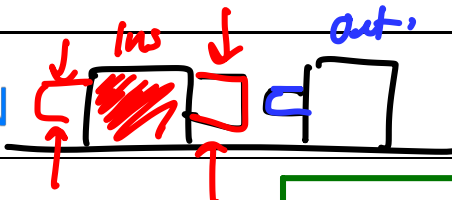
$$f(3) = 9(2-3) = -9 \quad \therefore [-9, 16]$$

- b. Explain why  $g(f(x))$  does not exist. (1 mark)

$$\text{Range } f \not\subseteq \text{Dom } g$$

$$[-9, 16] \not\subseteq (0, \infty)$$

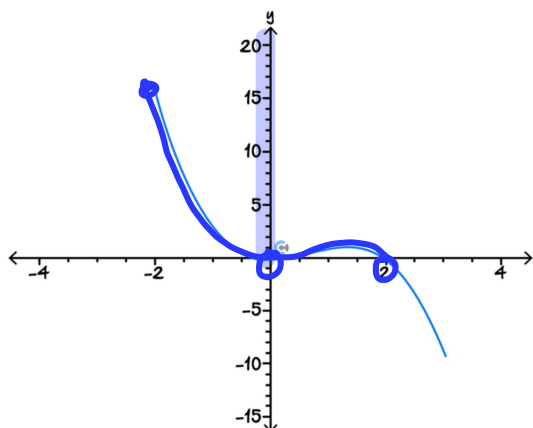




- c. Restrict the domain of  $f$  to be as large as possible and such that  $h(x) = g(f(x))$  is defined. (2 marks)

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Range } f \subseteq \text{Dom } g \\ \text{Range } f \subseteq (0, \infty) \end{array} \right.$$



$$\therefore \text{Dom } f = [-2, 0) \cup (0, 2)$$

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$$[-2, 2) \setminus \{0\}$$

## Section D: Tech Active Exam Skills

### Calculator Commands: Finding the domain and range



#### TI

Sketch

domain  $(f(x), x)$ ,  $f$  Min and  $Fmax$  47.

Define  $f(x) = \sqrt{9-x^2}$  Done

domain( $f(x), x$ )  $-3 \leq x \leq 3$

fMin( $f(x), x$ )  $x = -3$  or  $x = 3$  48

fMax( $f(x), x$ )  $x = 0$

$f(3)$  0

$f(0)$  3

#### TI-UDF

Analyse a Function: Find intercepts, critical points and their nature, maximal domain, asymptote.

analyse( $\langle$ function $\rangle$ ,  $\langle$ variable $\rangle$ ,  $\langle$ lower bound $\rangle$ ,  $\langle$ upper bound $\rangle$ )

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

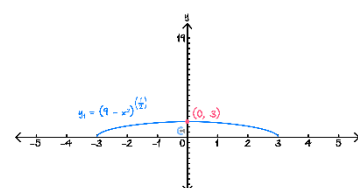
► Start Point:  $\left[ -5, \frac{262}{77} \right]$

► End Point:  $\left[ 5, \frac{-316}{529} \right]$

► Maximal Domain:  $x = -1.68469$  and  $x = -0.629579$  and  $x = 0.314273$  and  $-5 \leq x \leq 5$

#### Casio Classpad

Graph the function and use G-Solve to find min and max values for the range.



#### Mathematica

In[127]:=  $f[x_] := \sqrt{9 - x^2}$

In[128]:= `FunctionDomain[f[x], x]`

Out[128]=  $-3 \leq x \leq 3$

In[129]:= `FunctionRange[f[x], x, y]`

Out[129]=  $0 \leq y \leq 3$

#### Mathematica UDF :

FInfo [ $f[x]$ ,  $\{x, x \text{ min}, x \text{ max}\}, y]$

Returns useful information about a function, including derivative, domain, range, period, horizontal intercepts, vertical intercepts, stationary points, inflexion points, left and sided asymptotes, oblique asymptotes, and vertical asymptotes.

$$FInfo\left[\frac{x^2 - 1}{x(x^2 - 3)}, \{x, -\text{Infinity}, \text{Infinity}\}, y\right]$$

The function is  $\frac{x^2 - 1}{x(x^2 - 3)}$

The derivative is  $-\frac{x^4 + 3}{x^2(x^2 - 3)^2}$

Domain:  $x < -\sqrt{3} \vee -\sqrt{3} < x < 0 \vee 0 < x < \sqrt{3} \vee x > \sqrt{3}$

Range:  $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Period: 0

Horizontal Intercepts:  $\{-1, 1\}$

Vertical Intercepts: None

Stationary points:  $\{\}$

Inflexion points:  $\left\{ \left\{ -0.871..., -0.123... \right\}, \left\{ 0.871..., 0.123... \right\} \right\}$

Left sided asymptote:  $y = 0$

Right sided asymptote:  $y = 0$

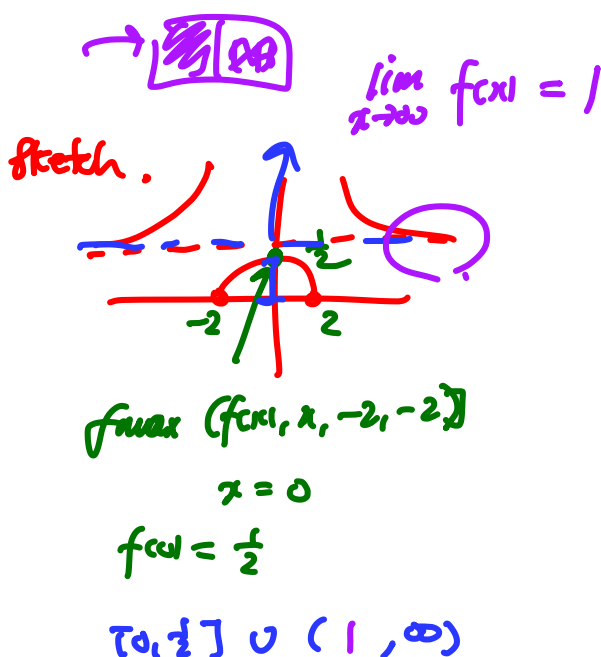
Oblique asymptote:  $\{\emptyset\}$

Vertical asymptote:  $\{x = 0, x = -\sqrt{3}, x = \sqrt{3}\}$

Question 24 Tech-Active.

Find the domain and range of  $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x^2-1}{x^2-4}}$

$$x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup [-1, 1] \cup (2, \infty)$$



Calculator Commands: Finding the composite function

TI

Define  $f(x) = \ln(x)$  Done

Define  $g(x) = x^2 + 3$  Done

$f(g(x))$   $\ln(x^2 + 3)$

CASIO:

define  $f(x) = \ln(x)$  done

define  $g(x) = x^2 + 3$  done

$f(g(x))$   $\ln(x^2 + 3)$

Mathematica

In[141]:=  $f[x_] := \text{Log}[x]$

In[142]:=  $g[x_] := x^2 + 3$

In[143]:=  $f[g[x]]$

Out[143]=  $\text{Log}[3 + x^2]$

Question 25 Tech-Active.

Let  $f(x) = \sqrt{x-1}$  and  $g(x) = 3x + 2$  be defined on their maximal domains.

Consider the function  $h(x) = f(g(x))$ .

a. Find the rule for  $h(x)$ .

b. Find the domain of  $h(x)$ .

c. Find the range of  $h(x)$ .

### Calculator Commands: Finding the inverse function



#### TI

Define  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x + 9$  Done  
 solve( $f(y) = x, y$ )  $y = -(\sqrt{x-5} + 2)$  or  $y = \sqrt{x-5} - 2$

$\text{soln}(f(y) = x, y)$

$f(x) = y$

#### CASIO:

define  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x + 9$  done  
 solve( $f(y) = x, y$ )  
 $\{y = -\sqrt{x-5} - 2, y = \sqrt{x-5} - 2\}$

#### Mathematica

In[154]:=  $f[x_] := x^2 + 4x + 9$   
 In[155]:=  $\text{Solve}[f[y] == x, y]$   
 Out[155]:=  $\{\{y \rightarrow -2 - \sqrt{-5 + x}\}, \{y \rightarrow -2 + \sqrt{-5 + x}\}\}$

NOTE: It doesn't tell us which branch is correct.



### Question 26 Tech-Active.

Find the inverse function of  $f: (-\infty, 3] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = x^2 - 6x + 5$ .

$$f^{-1}(x) = 3 \pm \sqrt{4+x}$$

$$= 3 - \sqrt{4+x}$$

## Section E: Exam 2 Questions (21 Marks)

INSTRUCTION: 21 Marks. 5 Minutes Reading. 26 Minutes Writing.



### Question 27 (1 mark)

Consider the functions  $f(x) = \frac{1}{(x-2)}$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x+3}$ , defined on their maximal domains. The domain of  $f(x)g(x)$  is:

- A.  $[-3, \infty)$
- B.  $[-3, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$
- C.  $(-\infty, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$
- D.  $[-3, \infty) \cup \{2\}$
- domain  $\left( \frac{1}{x-2} \times \sqrt{x+3}, \infty \right)$*

### Question 28 (1 mark)

The function  $f$  defined by,  $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = (x-2)^2 + 3$  will have an inverse function if its domain  $A$  is:

- A.  $\mathbb{R}$
- B.  $\mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$
- C.  $x \geq 2$
- D.  $x \leq 3$

### Question 29 (1 mark)

The function  $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x^2-4}{x^2-9}}$  has maximal domain:

- A.  $\mathbb{R} \setminus (-2, 2)$
- B.  $(-\infty, -3) \cup [-2, 2] \cup (3, \infty)$
- C.  $(-\infty, -3) \cup (3, \infty)$
- D.  $(-2, 2)$
- domain  $(-\infty, -3) \cup [-2, 2] \cup (3, \infty)$*

**Question 30** (1 mark)

The function  $f: [-3, 3] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = \log_4(x^2 + 16)$  has range:

- A.  $[2, \log_4(25)]$
- B.  $[0, \log_4(25)]$
- C.  $[-\log_4(25), \log_4(25)]$
- D.  $[0, 2]$

**Question 31** (1 mark)

Let  $f$  be a one-to-one differentiable function, and the following values are known:

$$f(2) = 5, f(3) = 7, f'(2) = 4 \text{ and } f'(3) = 6$$

Let  $g(x) = f^{-1}(x)$ , the values of  $g'(5)$  is :

- A.  $\frac{1}{6}$
- B.  $\frac{1}{7}$
- C.  $\frac{1}{4}$
- D.  $\frac{1}{5}$

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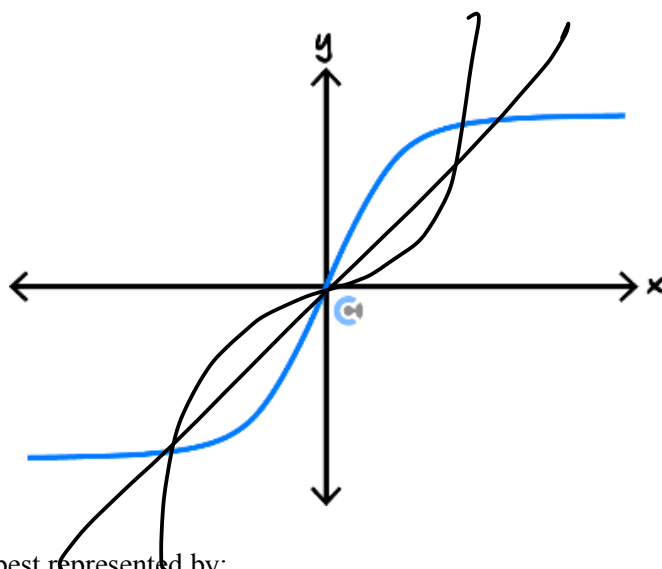
$f: (2, 5) \rightarrow (5, 2)$  with slope  $m = 4$  (crossed out)

$f^{-1}: (5, 2) \rightarrow (2, 5)$  with slope  $m = \frac{1}{4}$  (correct)

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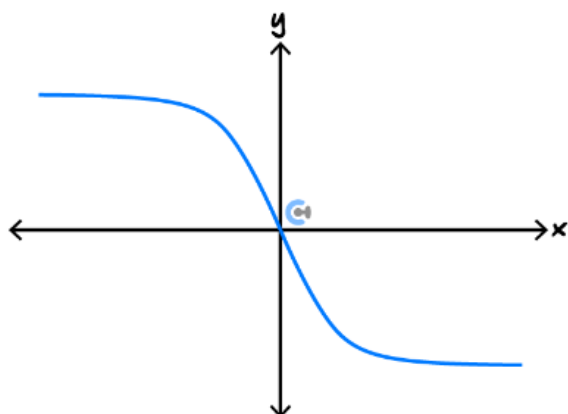
**Question 32** (1 mark)

Part of the graph of  $y = f(x)$  is shown below.

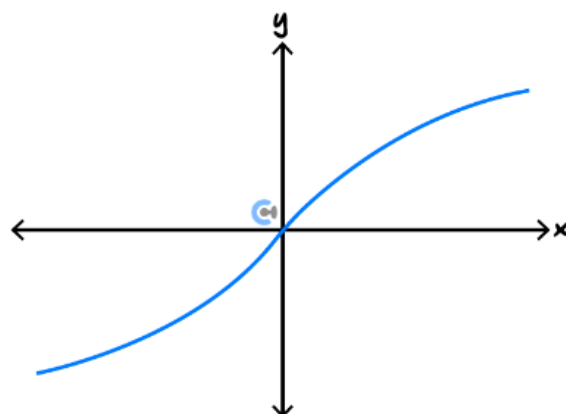


The inverse function  $f^{-1}$  is best represented by:

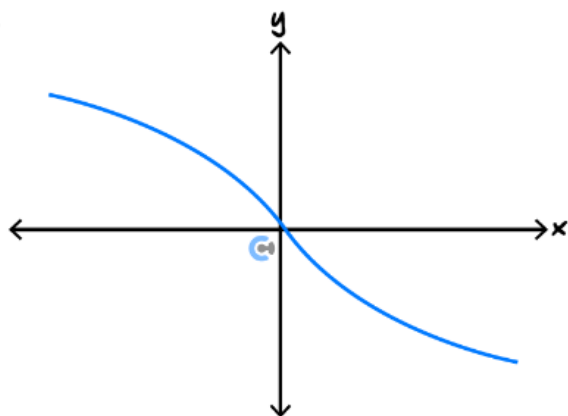
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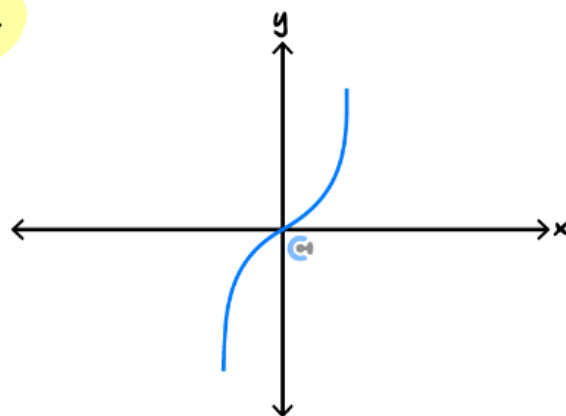
B.



C.



D.



Question 33 (14 marks)

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , where  $f(x) = 4 - 2^x$ .

a. Let  $g(x) = 1 - 2^x$  and  $h(x) = x - 2$ .

i. Find the rule  $g(h(x))$ . (1 mark)

$$g(h(x)) = 1 - 2^{x-2} = 1 - \frac{1}{4}2^x$$

ii. Find the real number  $a$  such that  $f(x) = a \times g(h(x))$ . (1 mark)

$$a = 4$$

b. Define  $f^{-1}$ , the inverse function of  $f$ . (2 marks)

$$f^{-1}(x) = \log_2(4-x)$$

$$\text{Dom} = \text{Rge } f^{-1} = (-\infty, 4)$$

c. It is given that  $f$  has a gradient of  $a$  when  $x = 2$ . Find the gradient of  $f^{-1}$ , in terms of  $a$ , where  $x = 0$ . (1 mark)

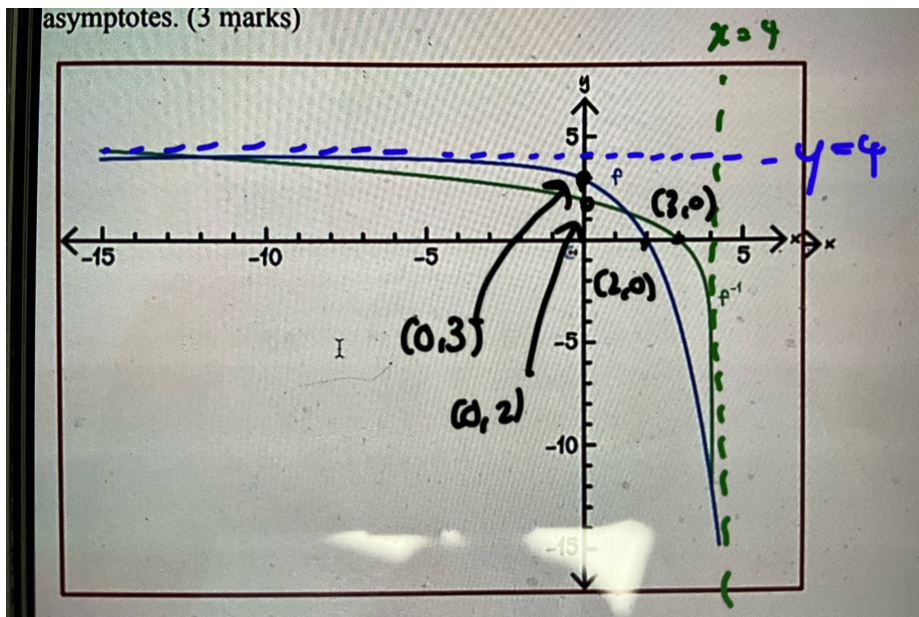
$$f: (2, f(2)) \quad m = a$$

$$f^{-1}: (\underline{f(2)}, 2) \quad m = \frac{1}{a}$$

$$f(2) = 0$$



- d. Sketch the graphs  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = f^{-1}(x)$  on the axes below. Label all axes intercepts and give the equations of any asymptotes. (3 marks)



- e. Solve the equation  $4 - 2^x = x$  for  $x$  correct to two decimal places. (1 mark)

$$x = 1.39$$

- f. Find the coordinates of all points of intersection of  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$ . Give your answers correct to two decimal places. (2 marks)

$$(1.39, 1.39)$$

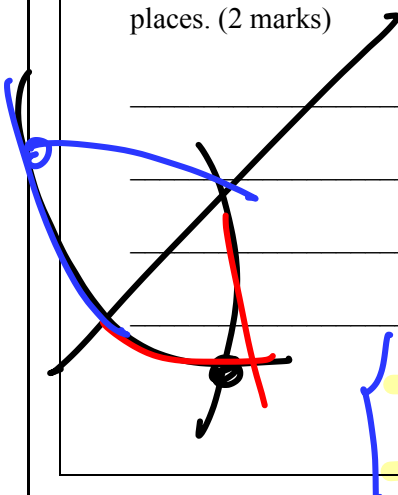
$$f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$$

$$x = -12, 4$$

$$f(-12) = 4$$

$$f(4) = -12$$

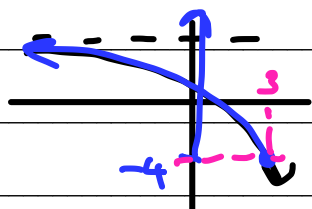
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g. Consider the function  $d: [-4, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, d(x) = \sqrt{x+4}$ .

i. Find the largest domain of  $f$  such that  $d(f(x))$  is defined. (1 mark)

$$f(x) \subseteq [-4, \infty)$$



$$4 - 2^x = -4$$

$$r = 2^x$$

$$x = 3$$

$$\text{Dom: } (-\infty, 3]$$

ii. State the rule of  $d(f(x))$ . (1 mark)

$$\sqrt{8 - 2^x}$$

iii. Let  $c(x) = d(f(x))$ . Find the rule and domain for  $c^{-1}(c(x))$ . (1 mark)

$$= x.$$

$$\text{Dom} = \text{Dom } c = \text{Dom } f = (-\infty, 3]$$

which allows  $d(x)$  to exist

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## Contour Check

### Learning Objective: [1.1.1] - Find Maximal Domain and Range

#### Key Takeaways

- ☐ Inside of a log must be \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Inside of a root must be \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Denominator \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Domain of sum or product of two functions is equal to \_\_\_\_\_ of the two domains.

### Learning Objective: [1.1.2] - Find the Rule, Domain and Range of a Composite Function (Range Does Not Require Splitting to Find as the Function is Easy to Draw)

#### Key Takeaways

- ☐  $f(g(x)) = \_\_\_ \circ \_\_\_ (x)$ .
- ☐ For composite function to exist, \_\_\_\_\_  $\subseteq$  \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ The domain of composite is equal to the domain of \_\_\_\_\_ function.
- ☐ Range of composite is a \_\_\_\_\_ of the range of the outside.

### Learning Objective: [1.1.3] - Find the Rule, Domain, and Range of Inverse Functions

#### Key Takeaways

- ☐  $f$  needs to be \_\_\_\_\_ for  $f^{-1}$  to exist.
- ☐ Domain of the inverse function equals to \_\_\_\_\_ and vice versa.
- ☐ Symmetrical around \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ For intersections of inverses, we can equate the function to \_\_\_\_\_.

### Learning Objective: [1.1.4] - Find the Composite Function of Inverse Function

#### Key Takeaways

- ☐ The composite function of inverses is always equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

### Learning Objective: [1.2.1] - Find a new domain to fix composite functions

#### Key Takeaways

- ☐ The range of the \_\_\_\_\_ function must be a subset of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the outside function.
- ☐ We restrict the \_\_\_\_\_ of the inside function so its \_\_\_\_\_ fits in the domain of the outside function.

### Learning Objective: [1.2.2] - Find the range of complex composite functions

#### Key Takeaways

- To find the range of a complicated function, we can break the function into a \_\_\_\_\_ of two simpler functions.

### Learning Objective: [1.2.3] - Find the gradient of inverse functions

#### Key Takeaways

- If the gradient of  $f$  at  $(a, f(a)) = m$ , then the gradient of  $f^{-1}$  at \_\_\_\_\_