

Solutions for Practice of Section 1.6

1. Given  $f(x) = 2x-1$  and  $g(x) = x^2+3$

Find

$$(f+g)(x) \qquad (g \circ f)(x)$$

$$\frac{g}{f}(x) \qquad (f \circ f)(-3)$$

$$(fg)(2) \qquad (fg)(-1) - g(2)$$

$$a) (f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) = 2x-1 + x^2+3 = x^2+2x+2$$

$$b) (g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = g(2x-1) = (2x-1)^2+3 = 4x^2-4x+1+3 = 4x^2-4x+4$$

$$c) \frac{g}{f}(x) = \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{x^2+3}{2x-1}$$

$$d) (f \circ f)(x) = f(f(x)) = f(2x-1) = 2(2x-1)-1 = 4x-2-1 = 4x-3$$

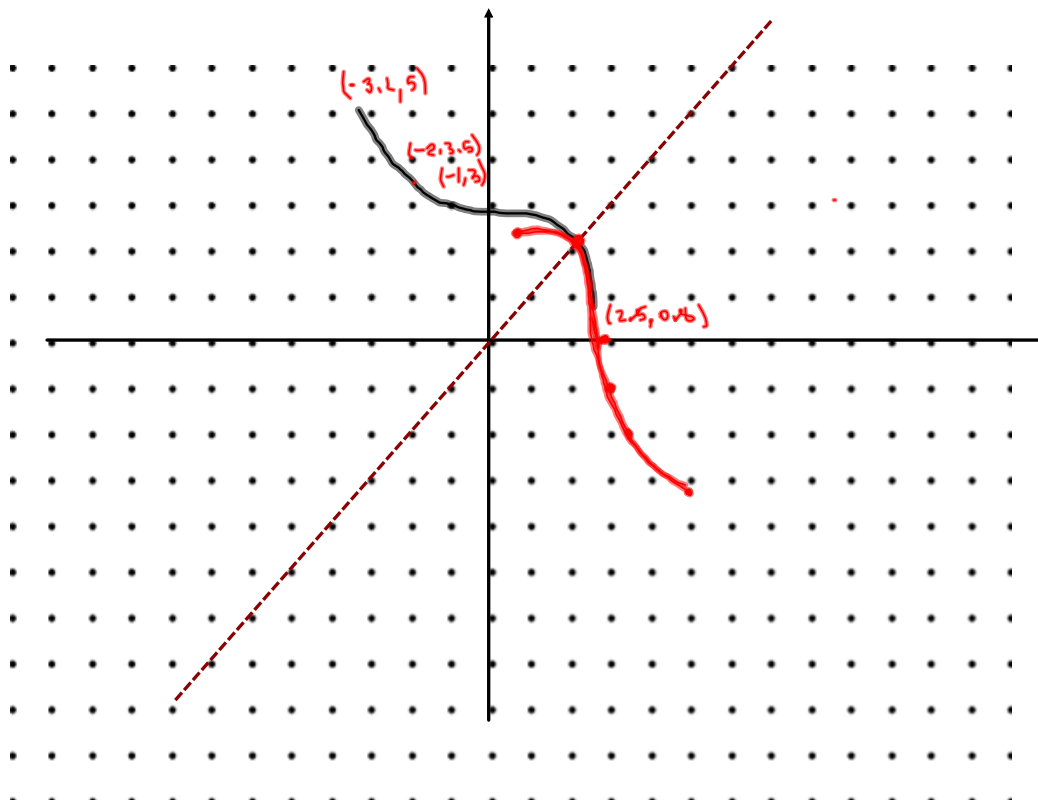
$$\dots (f \circ f)(-3) = 4 \cdot (-3) - 3 = -12 - 3 = -15$$

$$\text{or } (f \circ f)(-3) = f(f(-3)) = f(2 \cdot (-3) - 1) = f(-7) = 2 \cdot (-7) - 1 = -15$$

$$e) (fg)(2) = f(2)g(2) = (2 \cdot 2 - 1)(2^2 + 3) = 3 \cdot 7 = 21$$

$$f) (fg)(-1) - g(2) = f(-1) \cdot g(-1) - g(2) = (2 \cdot (-1) - 1)((-1)^2 + 3) - (2^2 + 3) = (-3) \cdot (4) - (7) = -12 - 7 = -19$$

2. Sketch the inverse of this function



3. Determine the inverse of these functions:

a)  $f(x) = \frac{2x}{x-1}$       b)  $f(x) = 5x-2$

a)  $\frac{2x}{x-1} = y$      $x \neq 1$

$$2x = y(x-1)$$

$$2x = yx - y$$

$$2x - yx = -y$$

$$x(2-y) = -y$$

$$x = \frac{-y}{2-y} \quad \text{A } y \neq 2$$

$$x = \frac{y}{y-2}$$

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

b)  $5x-2 = y$

$$5x = y+2$$

$$x = \frac{y+2}{5}$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+2}{5}$$

4. Given  $f(x) = 2x-1$  and  $g(x) = x^2 - 3$  domain:  $(0, \infty)$

Determine  $f^{-1}(3)$        $g^{-1}(-1)$

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

$$2x-1 = y$$

$$2x = y+1$$

$$x = \frac{y+1}{2}$$

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

Range of  $f$ :  $(-1, \infty)$

Domain of  $f^{-1}$ :  $(-1, \infty)$

$$f^{-1}(3) = \frac{3+1}{2} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$$

$g^{-1}(x)$ :

$$x^2 - 3 = y$$

$$x^2 = y+3$$

$$x = \sqrt{y+3}$$

$$g^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{x+3}$$

Range of  $g$ :  $(-3, \infty)$

Domain of  $g^{-1}$ :  $(-3, \infty)$

$$g^{-1}(-1) = \sqrt{-1+3} = \sqrt{2}$$