

Answers to Section 2.7 Supplementary Assignment

1 $(f+g)(x) = \sqrt{1-x} + \frac{1}{x-2}$, $(f-g)(x) = \sqrt{1-x} - \frac{1}{x-2}$, $(fg)(x) = \frac{\sqrt{1-x}}{x-2}$, $(f/g)(x) = (x-2)\sqrt{1-x}$
 $\text{Dom}(f \pm g) = \text{Dom}(fg) = (-\infty, 1]$, $\text{Dom}(f/g) = (-\infty, 1]$.

2 $(f \pm g)(x) = \sqrt{10+x} \pm \sqrt{50-x}$, $(fg)(x) = \sqrt{500+40x-x^2}$, $(f/g)(x) = \sqrt{\frac{10+x}{50-x}}$
 $\text{Dom}(f \pm g) = \text{Dom}(fg) = [-10, 50]$, $\text{Dom}(f/g) = [-10, 50]$.

3 $(f \pm g)(x) = \sqrt{9-x^2} \pm \sqrt{x^2-1}$, $(fg)(x) = \sqrt{-x^4+10x^2-9}$, $(f/g)(x) = \sqrt{\frac{9-x^2}{x^2-1}}$
 $\text{Dom}(f \pm g) = \text{Dom}(fg) = [-3, -1] \cup [1, 3]$, $\text{Dom}(f/g) = [-3, -1] \cup (1, 3]$

4 $(f+g)(x) = 1$, $(f-g)(x) = \frac{2-x}{x+2}$, $(fg)(x) = \frac{2x}{(x+2)^2}$, $(f/g)(x) = 2/x$
 $\text{Dom}(f \pm g) = \text{Dom}(fg) = (-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, \infty)$, $\text{Dom}(f/g) = (-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, 0) \cup (0, \infty) = \{x \mid x \neq -2, 0\}$

5 $(f \pm g)(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x-3}} \pm (3x^2-8)$, $(fg)(x) = \frac{3x^2-8}{\sqrt{2x-3}}$, $(f/g)(x) = \frac{1}{(3x^2-8)\sqrt{2x-3}}$
 $\text{Dom}(f \pm g) = \text{Dom}(fg) = (3/2, \infty)$, $\text{Dom}(f/g) = (3/2, \infty)$

6 $(f \pm g)(x) = \sqrt[6]{3-x} \pm \sqrt[4]{x-5}$, $(fg)(x) = \sqrt[6]{3-x} \cdot \sqrt[4]{x-5}$, $(f/g)(x) = \frac{\sqrt[6]{3-x}}{\sqrt[4]{x-5}}$
 $\text{Dom}(f \pm g) = \text{Dom}(fg) = \emptyset$, $\text{Dom}(f/g) = \emptyset$.

7 $(f \circ g)(x) = f(x+5) = 3(x+5)^2 - 7 = 3x^2 + 30x + 68$
 $(g \circ f)(x) = g(3x^2 - 7) = (3x^2 - 7) + 5 = 3x^2 - 2$
 $(f \circ f)(x) = f(3x^2 - 7) = 3(3x^2 - 7)^2 - 7 = 27x^4 - 126x^2 + 140$
 $(g \circ g)(x) = g(x+5) = (x+5) + 5 = x+10$
 $\text{Dom}(f \circ g) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } g \text{ \& } g(x) \in \text{Dom } f\} = \{x \mid x \in (-\infty, \infty) \text{ \& } x \in (-\infty, \infty)\} = \mathbb{R}$
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ f) = \text{Dom}(f \circ f) = \text{Dom}(g \circ g) = \mathbb{R}$.

8 $(f \circ g)(x) = f(x^2) = \sqrt{x^2-3}$, $(g \circ f)(x) = g(\sqrt{x-3}) = x-3$,
 $(f \circ f)(x) = f(\sqrt{x-3}) = \sqrt{\sqrt{x-3}-3}$, $(g \circ g)(x) = g(x^2) = (x^2)^2 = x^4$
 $\text{Dom}(f \circ g) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } g \text{ \& } g(x) \in \text{Dom } f\} = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ \& } x^2 \in [3, \infty)\} = \{x \mid x^2 \geq 3\} = (-\infty, -\sqrt{3}] \cup [\sqrt{3}, \infty)$
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ f) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } f \text{ \& } f(x) \in \text{Dom } g\} = \{x \mid x \in [3, \infty) \text{ \& } \sqrt{x-3} \in \mathbb{R}\} = [3, \infty)$
 $\text{Dom}(f \circ f) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } f \text{ \& } f(x) \in \text{Dom } f\} = \{x \mid x \in [3, \infty) \text{ \& } \sqrt{x-3} \in [3, \infty)\} = [12, \infty)$, since
 $\sqrt{x-3} \in [3, \infty) \Rightarrow \sqrt{x-3} \geq 3 \Rightarrow x-3 \geq 9 \Rightarrow x \geq 12$
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ g) = \mathbb{R}$

9 $(f \circ g)(x) = f\left(\frac{x-1}{x+1}\right) = \frac{\frac{x-1}{x+1} - 1}{\frac{x-1}{x+1} + 1} = -\frac{x+1}{2}$, $(g \circ f)(x) = g\left(\frac{1}{x-1}\right) = \frac{\frac{1}{x-1} - 1}{\frac{1}{x-1} + 1} = \frac{2-x}{x}$,
 $(f \circ f)(x) = f\left(\frac{1}{x-1}\right) = \frac{\frac{1}{x-1} - 1}{\frac{1}{x-1} + 1} = \frac{x-1}{2-x}$, $(g \circ g)(x) = g\left(\frac{x-1}{x+1}\right) = \frac{\frac{x-1}{x+1} - 1}{\frac{x-1}{x+1} + 1} = -\frac{1}{x}$
 $\text{Dom}(f \circ g) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } g \text{ \& } g(x) \in \text{Dom } f\} = \{x \mid x \neq -1 \text{ \& } \frac{x-1}{x+1} \neq 1\} = \{x \mid x \neq -1\} = (-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, \infty)$
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ f) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } f \text{ \& } f(x) \in \text{Dom } g\} = \{x \mid x \neq 1 \text{ \& } \frac{1}{x-1} \neq -1\} = \{x \mid x \neq 1 \text{ \& } x \neq 0\}$
 $= (-\infty, 0) \cup (0, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$, since $\frac{1}{x-1} \neq -1 \Rightarrow 1 \neq -(x-1) \Rightarrow 1 \neq -x+1 \Rightarrow x \neq 0$.
 $\text{Dom}(f \circ f) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } f \text{ \& } f(x) \in \text{Dom } f\} = \{x \mid x \neq 1 \text{ \& } \frac{1}{x-1} \neq 1\} = \{x \mid x \neq 1 \text{ \& } x \neq 2\}$
 $= (-\infty, 1) \cup (1, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ g) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } g \text{ \& } g(x) \in \text{Dom } g\} = \{x \mid x \neq -1 \text{ \& } \frac{x-1}{x+1} \neq -1\} = \{x \mid x \neq -1 \text{ \& } x \neq 0\}$
 $= (-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$, since $\frac{x-1}{x+1} \neq -1 \Rightarrow x-1 \neq -(x+1) \Rightarrow x-1 \neq -x-1 \Rightarrow$
 $2x-1 \neq -1 \Rightarrow 2x \neq 0 \Rightarrow x \neq 0$.

10 $(f \circ g)(x) = f(1 - \sqrt{x}) = \sqrt[3]{1 - \sqrt{x}}$, $(g \circ f)(x) = g(\sqrt[3]{x}) = 1 - \sqrt{\sqrt[3]{x}} = 1 - \sqrt[6]{x}$,
 $(f \circ f)(x) = f(\sqrt[3]{x}) = \sqrt[3]{\sqrt[3]{x}} = \sqrt[9]{x}$, $(g \circ g)(x) = g(1 - \sqrt{x}) = 1 - \sqrt{1 - \sqrt{x}}$
 $\text{Dom}(f \circ g) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } g \text{ \& } g(x) \in \text{Dom } f\} = \{x \mid x \in [0, \infty) \text{ \& } 1 - \sqrt{x} \in \mathbb{R}\} = \{x \mid x \geq 0\}$
 $= [0, \infty)$
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ f) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } f \text{ \& } f(x) \in \text{Dom } g\} = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ \& } \sqrt[3]{x} \in [0, \infty)\} = [0, \infty)$
 $\text{Dom}(f \circ f) = \mathbb{R}$ (note: the composition of two functions with domain \mathbb{R} has domain \mathbb{R})
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ g) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } g \text{ \& } g(x) \in \text{Dom } g\} = \{x \mid x \in [0, \infty) \text{ \& } 1 - \sqrt{x} \in [0, \infty)\} = \{x \mid x \in [0, \infty) \text{ \& } x \in [0, 1]\}$
 $= [0, 1]$, where $1 - \sqrt{x} \in [0, \infty) \Rightarrow 1 - \sqrt{x} \geq 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x} \leq 1 \Rightarrow x \in [0, 1]$

11 $(f \circ g)(x) = f(\sqrt{2-x}) = \sqrt{(\sqrt{2-x})^2 - 4} = \sqrt{(2-x) - 4} = \sqrt{-2-x}$
 $(g \circ f)(x) = g(\sqrt{x^2-4}) = \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{x^2-4}}$
 $(f \circ f)(x) = f(\sqrt{x^2-4}) = \sqrt{(\sqrt{x^2-4})^2 - 4} = \sqrt{x^2-4-4} = \sqrt{x^2-8}$
 $(g \circ g)(x) = g(\sqrt{2-x}) = \sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2-x}}$
 $\text{Dom}(f \circ g) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } g \text{ \& } g(x) \in \text{Dom } f\} = \{x \mid x \in (-\infty, 2] \text{ \& } \sqrt{2-x} \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty)\}$
 $= \{x \mid x \in (-\infty, 2] \text{ \& } \sqrt{2-x} \in [2, \infty)\}$ (note: $\sqrt{2-x} \in (-\infty, -2]$ is impossible)
 $= \{x \mid x \in (-\infty, 2] \text{ \& } x \in (-\infty, -2]\}$
 $= (-\infty, -2]$ (note: $\sqrt{2-x} \in [2, \infty) \Rightarrow \sqrt{2-x} \geq 2 \Rightarrow 2-x \geq 4 \Rightarrow x \leq -2$)
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ f) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } f \text{ \& } f(x) \in \text{Dom } g\} = \{x \mid x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty) \text{ \& } \sqrt{x^2-4} \in (-\infty, 2]\}$
 $= \{x \mid x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty) \text{ \& } x \in [-\sqrt{8}, \sqrt{8}]\}$
 $= \{x \mid x \in [-\sqrt{8}, -2] \cup [2, \sqrt{8}]\} = [-\sqrt{8}, -2] \cup [2, \sqrt{8}]$
 $\text{Dom}(f \circ f) = \{x \mid x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty) \text{ \& } \sqrt{x^2-4} \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty)\}$
 $= \{x \mid x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty) \text{ \& } \sqrt{x^2-4} \in [2, \infty)\}$, where $\sqrt{x^2-4} \geq 2 \Rightarrow x^2-4 \geq 4 \Rightarrow x^2 \geq 8$
 $= \{x \mid x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty) \text{ \& } x \in (-\infty, -\sqrt{8}) \cup (\sqrt{8}, \infty)\} = (-\infty, -\sqrt{8}) \cup (\sqrt{8}, \infty)$
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ g) = \{x \mid x \in (-\infty, 2] \cup \sqrt{2-x} \in (-\infty, 2]\} = \{x \mid x \in (-\infty, 2] \cup x \in [-2, 2]\}$
 $= [-2, 2]$, where $\sqrt{2-x} \in (-\infty, 2] \Rightarrow 0 \leq \sqrt{2-x} \leq 2 \Rightarrow 0 \leq 2-x \leq 4 \Rightarrow -2 \leq -x \leq 2$
 $\Rightarrow -2 \leq x \leq 2 \Rightarrow x \in [-2, 2]$.

12 $(f \circ g)(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{x^2-4x}}$, $(g \circ f)(x) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{x}}\right)^2 - 4\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{x}}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} - \frac{4}{\sqrt[4]{x}}$,
 $(f \circ f)(x) = f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{x}}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{x}}}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sqrt[16]{x}}} = \sqrt[16]{x}$, $(g \circ g)(x) = x^4 - 8x^3 + 12x^2 + 16x$
 $\text{Dom}(f \circ g) = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ \& } x^2 - 4x > 0\} = \{x \mid x(x-4) > 0\} = \{x \mid x < 0 \text{ or } x > 4\}$
 $= (-\infty, 0) \cup (4, \infty)$
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ f) = \{x \mid x \in (0, \infty) \text{ \& } \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{x}} \in \mathbb{R}\} = \{x \mid x \in (0, \infty) \text{ \& } x \in (0, \infty)\} = (0, \infty)$
 $\text{Dom}(f \circ f) = \{x \mid x \in (0, \infty) \text{ \& } \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{x}} \in (0, \infty)\} = (0, \infty)$
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ g) = \mathbb{R}$

$$13 \quad (f \circ g \circ h)(x) = f(g(h(x))) = f(g(\sqrt[3]{x+3})) = f(\sqrt[4]{\sqrt[3]{x+3}-1}) = \sqrt{\sqrt[4]{\sqrt[3]{x+3}-1}-2}$$

$$\text{Dom}(f \circ g \circ h) = \{x \mid x \in \text{Dom } h \ \& \ h(x) \in \text{Dom } g \ \& \ g(h(x)) \in \text{Dom } f\}$$

$$= \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \ \& \ \sqrt[3]{x+3} \in [1, \infty) \ \& \ \sqrt[4]{\sqrt[3]{x+3}-1} \in [2, \infty)\}$$

$$\text{Now, } \sqrt[3]{x+3} \in [1, \infty) \Rightarrow \sqrt[3]{x+3} \geq 1 \Rightarrow x+3 \geq 1 \Rightarrow x \geq -2 \Rightarrow x \in [-2, \infty)$$

$$\sqrt[4]{\sqrt[3]{x+3}-1} \in [2, \infty) \Rightarrow \sqrt[4]{\sqrt[3]{x+3}-1} \geq 2 \Rightarrow \sqrt[3]{x+3}-1 \geq 16 \Rightarrow \sqrt[3]{x+3} \geq 17 \Rightarrow$$

$$x+3 \geq 17^3 \Rightarrow x \geq 4910 \Rightarrow x \in [4910, \infty)$$

$$\text{So } \text{Dom}(f \circ g \circ h) = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \ \& \ x \in [-2, \infty) \ \& \ x \in [4910, \infty)\} = [4910, \infty).$$

$$14 \quad (f \circ g \circ h)(x) = f(g(h(x))) = f(g(\sqrt[5]{x})) = f\left(\frac{\sqrt[5]{x}}{\sqrt[5]{x}-1}\right) = \sqrt{2\left(\frac{\sqrt[5]{x}}{\sqrt[5]{x}-1}\right)}$$

$$\text{Dom}(f \circ g \circ h) = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \ \& \ \sqrt[5]{x} \in (-\infty, 1) \cup (1, \infty) \ \& \ \frac{\sqrt[5]{x}}{\sqrt[5]{x}-1} \in [0, \infty)\}$$

$$= \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R} \ \& \ \sqrt[5]{x} \neq 1 \ \& \ \frac{\sqrt[5]{x}}{\sqrt[5]{x}-1} \geq 0\}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{\sqrt[5]{x}}{\sqrt[5]{x}-1} \geq 0 \Rightarrow x > 1 \ \text{or} \ x \leq 0, \ \text{so} \dots$$

$$\text{Dom}(f \circ g \circ h) = \{x \mid x \neq 1 \ \& \ x \in (-\infty, 0] \cup (1, \infty)\} = (-\infty, 0] \cup (1, \infty).$$

$$15 \quad \text{Let } g(x) = x-8 \ \& \ f(x) = x^4, \ \text{so } (f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = f(x-8) = (x-8)^4 = H(x) \quad \checkmark$$

$$16 \quad \text{Let } g(x) = 5x-3 \ \& \ f(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \ \text{so } (f \circ g)(x) = f(5x-3) = \frac{1}{5x-3} = L(x) \quad \checkmark$$

$$17 \quad \text{Let } h(x) = \sqrt{x}, \ g(x) = x-1, \ f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}, \ \text{so} \dots$$

$$(f \circ g \circ h)(x) = f(g(\sqrt{x})) = f(\sqrt{x}-1) = \sqrt[3]{\sqrt{x}-1} = \Phi(x) \quad \checkmark$$

$$18 \quad \text{Let } h(x) = 4-\sqrt{x}, \ g(x) = x^2, \ f(x) = \frac{9}{x}, \ \text{so} \dots$$

$$(f \circ g \circ h)(x) = f(g(4-\sqrt{x})) = f((4-\sqrt{x})^2) = \frac{9}{(4-\sqrt{x})^2} = W(x) \quad \checkmark$$