

SOLUTIONS for Exam # 1

1. { 10 points } Complete the following table *without explanations*.

x	-2	-1	0	1	2
$f(x)$	-1	2	0	-2	1
$g(x)$	2	0	-1	2	-1
$(f \circ g)(x)$	1	0	2	1	2
$(g \circ f)(x)$	0	-1	-1	2	2

2. { 10 points } Classify the functions as even, odd, or neither. Check the appropriate boxes *without explanations*.

function	odd	even	neither
$f(x)$ from problem 1.	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
$g(x)$ from problem 1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
$\cos^3(x)$	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
$x - x^3$	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
$x^2 + \sin x$	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓

3. { 5 points } State the domain of the function $f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x-2}}$.

$$\mathcal{D} = (2, \infty) \quad \text{or} \quad x > 2$$

We have that $x - 2 \geq 0$ for the square root and also the denominator should not be 0, i.e. $x - 2 \neq 0$.

4. { 10 points } Given the functions $f(x) = \frac{x}{3x-1}$ and $g(x) = \frac{1}{x^2-1}$, find the composition $f \circ g$ and state its domain.

$$(f \circ g)(x) = \frac{\frac{1}{x^2-1}}{3\left(\frac{1}{x^2-1}\right)-1} = \frac{1}{3-(x^2-1)} = \frac{1}{4-x^2} = \frac{1}{(2-x)(2+x)}.$$

$$\mathcal{D} = \{ \text{all real } x \neq \pm 1, \pm 2 \} .$$

5. { 10 points } In each part, find the inverse $f^{-1}(x)$ if the inverse exists.

(a) $f(x) = \cos(2x)$, $0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

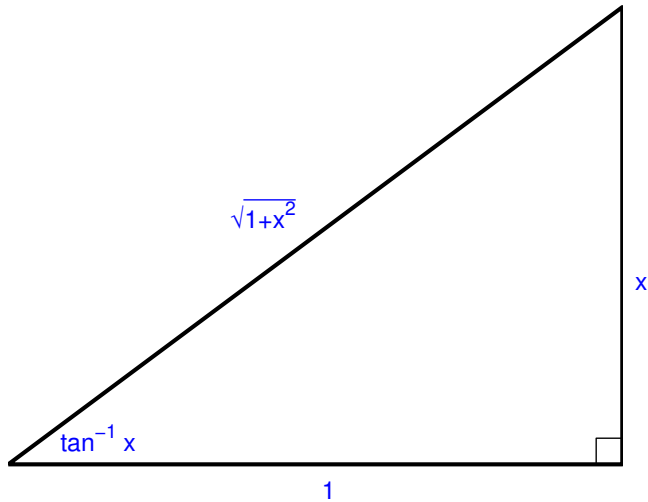
We have that $0 \leq 2x \leq \pi$ for which interval \cos^{-1} is defined. Thus, $y = \cos(2x)$ is equivalent to $\cos^{-1} y = 2x$ and therefore $x = \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} y$. So, $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1} x$.

(b) $f(x) = \sin(2x)$, $0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

The function $\sin(2x)$ is not one-to-one for $0 \leq 2x \leq \pi$ (we have that $\sin(2x) = \sin(\pi - 2x)$) and therefore there is no inverse to f .

6. { 10 points } Complete the identity using the triangle method.

$$\cos(\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$$



7. { 10 points } Solve for x without using a calculating utility.

$$2 \ln\left(\frac{-1}{x}\right) + \ln(2x^4) = \ln 8$$

We have that $2 \ln\left(\frac{-1}{x}\right) + \ln(2x^4) = \ln\left(\left(\frac{-1}{x}\right)^2 (2x^4)\right) = \ln(2x^2)$.

So, $\ln(2x^2) = \ln 8$ and therefore $2x^2 = 8$ which gives $x^2 = 4$ and $x = \pm 2$. However, the domain for $\ln\left(\frac{-1}{x}\right)$ is $x < 0$ and therefore $x = 2$ should be excluded.

Thus, the solution is $x = -2$.

8. { 12 points } Find the limit.

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 9} - 3}{x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 9} - 3}{x} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 9} + 3}{\sqrt{x^2 + 9} + 3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x^2 + 9) - 3^2}{x\sqrt{x^2 + 9} + 3} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2}{x\sqrt{x^2 + 9} + 3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 9} + 3} \\ &= \frac{0}{\sqrt{0 + 9} + 3} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

9. { 12 points } Find the limit.

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 - \frac{5}{x}\right)^x \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 - \frac{5}{x}\right)^{-\frac{x}{5}(-5)} = \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(1 - \frac{5}{x}\right)^{-\frac{x}{5}}\right)^{-5} = e^{-5} = \frac{1}{e^5}. \end{aligned}$$

10. { 12 points } Find the limit.

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{(3 - 2x)^3}{x(7 + x + 9x^2)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{(3 - 2x)^3 \frac{1}{x^3}}{x(7 + x + 9x^2) \frac{1}{x^3}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{3-2x}{x}\right)^3}{\frac{7+x+9x^2}{x^2}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{3}{x} - 2\right)^3}{\frac{7}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x} + 9} = \frac{(0 - 2)^3}{0 + 0 + 9} = -\frac{8}{9}. \end{aligned}$$

11. { 12 points } Find the limit.

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan(3x)}{\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\tan(3x)}{3x}\right) \left(\frac{\frac{x}{2}}{\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)}\right) \left(\frac{3x}{\frac{x}{2}}\right) \\ &= \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{3x \cos(3x)}\right) \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x}{2}}{\sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)}\right) \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3}{\frac{1}{2}}\right) = (1)(1)(6) = 6. \end{aligned}$$

12. { 12 points } A positive number $\varepsilon = 0.01$ and a limit $L = 4$ for the function $f(x) = \frac{9x^2 - 4}{3x - 2}$ at $a = \frac{2}{3}$ are given:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}} \frac{9x^2 - 4}{3x - 2} = 4.$$

Find a number δ such that $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$ if $0 < |x - a| < \delta$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have } |f(x) - L| &= \left|\frac{9x^2 - 4}{3x - 2} - 4\right| = \left|\frac{(3x - 2)(3x + 2)}{3x - 2} - 4\right| = |3x + 2 - 4| \\ &= |3x - 2| = 3\left|x - \frac{2}{3}\right| < 3\delta \quad \text{for } 0 < |x - a| = \left|x - \frac{2}{3}\right| < \delta. \end{aligned}$$

So, if we set δ such that $3\delta \leq \varepsilon = 0.01$, for example $\delta = 0.0033$, we shall have that $|f(x) - 4| < 0.01$ if $0 < |x - \frac{2}{3}| < \delta$.

Bonus Problem. { 20 points } **Find the limit.**

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{x \sin(2x)} + x \sin(1/x) \right) \\ &= \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{x \sin(2x)} \right) + \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \sin(1/x) \right) . \end{aligned}$$

For the first limit we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{x \sin(2x)} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{x \sin(2x)} \frac{1 + \cos(2x)}{1 + \cos(2x)} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos^2(2x)}{x \sin(2x)(1 + \cos(2x))} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2(2x)}{x \sin(2x)(1 + \cos(2x))} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{x(1 + \cos(2x))} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(2x)}{2x} \frac{2}{1 + \cos(2x)} = (1) \frac{2}{1 + 1} = 1 . \end{aligned}$$

For the second limit we shall use the inequalities $-1 \leq \sin(1/x) \leq 1$
and therefore $-|x| \leq x \sin(1/x) \leq |x|$.

Since $|x| \rightarrow 0$ **as** $x \rightarrow 0$ **by the Squeezing Theorem we have**
that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x \sin(1/x)) = 0$.

Finally,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{x \sin(2x)} + x \sin(1/x) \right) = 1 + 0 = 1 .$$