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Homework Assignment 2
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Please attempt to solve all the problems. Your solutions for problems 1-10 are to be submitted.

We strongly recommended that you study Extra Exercises 1-10, though you are not required to submit their solutions. Suggested solutions for all the problems will be provided.

1. Domains and ranges of standard functions can be summarized as follows:

Function defined by an expression	Domain \mathcal{D}	Range \mathcal{R}
$y = mx + c, m \neq 0$	$(-\infty, +\infty)$	$(-\infty, +\infty)$
$y = \frac{k}{x}, k \neq 0$	$\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ or $\mathbb{R} - \{0\}$	$\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ or $\mathbb{R} - \{0\}$
$y = x^{2n}, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$	$(-\infty, +\infty)$	$[0, +\infty)$
$y = x^{2n-1}, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$	$(-\infty, +\infty)$	$(-\infty, +\infty)$
$y = \sqrt{x}$	$[0, +\infty)$	$[0, +\infty)$
$y = ax^2 + bx + c, a > 0$	$(-\infty, +\infty)$	$[-\Delta/4a, +\infty), \Delta = b^2 - 4ac$
$y = ax^2 + bx + c, a < 0$	$(-\infty, +\infty)$	$(-\infty, -\Delta/4a], \Delta = b^2 - 4ac$

($\mathbb{Z}^+ = \mathbb{N}$ is the set of positive integers)

Answer each question independently. Until otherwise stated, draw your graphs by either sketching them by hand or using any computer software. Paste each graph to its corresponding question.

- (a) Sketch the graphs of the following functions and find their ranges accordingly :

i. $y = \frac{x}{x-4}$;

ii. $y = |2 - 2x - x^2|$;

- (b) Graph each of the following functions. Based on the graph, state the domain and the range and find any intercept(s).

i.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -e^{-x} & \text{if } x < 0; \\ -e^x & \text{if } x \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

ii.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \ln(x) & \text{if } 0 < x < 1; \\ -\ln(x) & \text{if } x \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

2. For each of the following functions, find f^{-1} .

(a) $f(x) = \ln(x - 1)$; (b) $f(x) = 3^{x+1}$;

(c) $f(x) = \frac{1}{4}10^{x-1} + 5$; (d) $f(x) = \log(x + 3)$.

Note that the common logarithm is the logarithm to base 10, i.e., $\log_{10} x = \log x$ and the natural logarithm is the logarithm to base e , i.e., $\log_e x = \ln x$.

3. For each of the following functions :

$$(ii) f(x) = \log_3(-x + 1); \quad (ii) f(x) = 2 + (1/4)^x.$$

- (a) Find the domain of f ;
- (b) Graph f ;
- (c) From the graph, determine the range and any asymptotes of f ;
- (d) Find f^{-1} , the inverse of f ;
- (e) Use f^{-1} to find the range of f ;
- (f) Graph f^{-1} on the same Cartesian plane as f .

4. Rewrite each of the following expressions as a sum or difference of multiples of logarithms.

$$(a) \log_5 \left(\frac{3x^2}{(ab)^{2/3}} \right), \quad x, a, b > 0; \quad (b) \ln \left(\frac{3x^4 \sqrt[3]{1-x}}{5(x+1)^2} \right), \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

5. Rewrite each of the following expressions as a single logarithm.

$$(a) \frac{5}{6} \log_2(x) + \frac{2}{3} \log_2(y) - \frac{1}{2} \log_2(x) - \log_2(x);$$
$$(b) \frac{1}{2} (\log(x) + \log(y)) - \log(z).$$

6. Solve the following equations :

- (a) $5^{2x+1} = 6^{x-2}$;
- (b) $5^x - 5^{-x} = 6$;
- (c) $\log \sqrt[3]{x} = \sqrt{\log x}$;
- (d) $\log x = 1 - \log(x - 3)$.

7. If the functions f and g have inverses, then it can be proved that $f \circ g$ will also have an inverse and

$$(f \circ g)^{-1} = g^{-1} \circ f^{-1}.$$

Verify that for $f(x) = x^3$ and $g(x) = 4x + 5$.

8. Use a graphing utility to compare the long-term growth rate of the following functions as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Arrange them in ascending order according to long-term growth rates:

$$\ln x, x^x, e^{4x}, x^{100}, x^{-25}, x^{100}e^{-x}, x^{1/100}, \frac{e^{8x}}{x^{10}}.$$

9. Answer each question independently.

- (a) If

$$x = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + \cdots \text{to } \infty}}},$$

then find x if any.

- (b) Show that for all real values of x , the expression

$$\frac{x^2 - 2x + 4}{x^2 + 2x + 4}$$

has greatest value 3 and least value $\frac{1}{3}$.

- (c) Suppose α and β are the roots of $x^2 - (x+1)p - c = 0$. Find the value of

$$\frac{\alpha^2 + 2\alpha + 1}{\alpha^2 + 2\alpha + c} + \frac{\beta^2 + 2\beta + 1}{\beta^2 + 2\beta + c}.$$

10. Answer each question independently.

- (a) Solve for x :

$$\frac{1}{\log_2 x} - \frac{1}{\log_2 x - 1} < 1.$$

- (b) Solve for x :

$$(15 + 4\sqrt{14})^x + (15 - 4\sqrt{14})^x = 30.$$

- (c) Solve for x and y :

$$\log_{10} x + \log_{10} x^{1/2} + \log_{10} x^{1/4} + \cdots = y$$

and

$$\frac{1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + (2y - 1)}{4 + 7 + 10 + \cdots + (3y + 1)} = \frac{20}{7 \log_{10} x}.$$

Extra Problem Sets

1. Sketch the graphs of the following functions and find their ranges accordingly :

(a) $y = \frac{1}{x^2 + 4}$.

(b) $y = \frac{1}{x^2 - 4}$, $x \neq \pm 2$.

(c) $y = \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2}$.

2. Evaluate :

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} 5^x$; (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} 3^{-x}$;

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^x$; (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{-x}$;

(e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \log_4(x)$; (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \log_{1/2}(x)$;

(g) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln x$; (h) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln x$.

3. Verify that

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

for

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x+1} \quad \text{and} \quad f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1-x}{x}.$$

4. The given function f is one-to-one. Without finding its inverse, find the domain and range of f^{-1} .

(a) $f(x) = 3 + \sqrt{2x - 1}$; (b) $f(x) = \ln(x - 1) + 2$.

5. Find the approximate solution(s) of each of the following equations by graphing an appropriate function on a graphing utility and locating the x -intercept(s). Note that these equations cannot be solved by standard techniques.

(a) $2^x = 3^{x-1} + 5^{-x}$; (b) $x^3 = e^x$.

6. A student sick with a flu virus returns to an isolated college campus of 3000 students. The number of students infected with the flu t days after the student's return is predicted by the logistic function:

$$P(t) = \frac{3000}{1 + 2999e^{-0.8905t}}.$$

- (a) According to this mathematical model, how many students will be infected with the flu after 5 days?
- (b) How long will it take for one-half of the students of the student population to become infected?
- (c) How many students does the model predict will become infected after a very long period of time?
- (d) Sketch the graph of $P(t)$ by a graphing utility.
7. The average rate of change of a function f over an interval $x = a$ to $x = b$ is defined to be the slope of the line segment connecting the endpoints of the curve on that interval:

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a},$$

as shown in Figure 1.

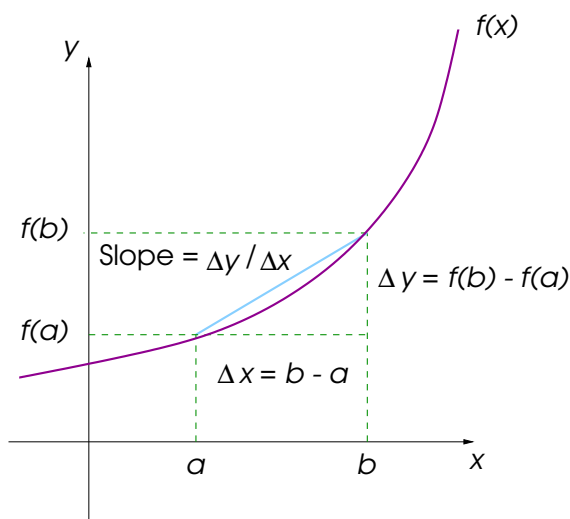


Figure 1:

The following table gives some values for the function $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 + 2x - 1$.

x	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$f(x)$	-9	-3	-1	3	15	41

Answer the following questions:

- (a) Find the average rate of change of f from $x = -2$ to $x = 3$.
- (b) Calculate the average rate of change of f between each successive pair of points in the table; that is, between $x = -2$ and $x = -1$,

between $x = -1$ and $x = 0$, and so on. What is the average value of all these slopes?

- (c) Extend the table to include the point where $x = 4$ and repeat parts(a) and (b). Does the same result hold?
- (d) Extend the table further to include $x = -3$. Show that the same conclusion holds.
- (e) Do you think the same conclusion holds for any function and any set of points? Try to state this results as a potential theorem.

8. Answer the following questions:

- (a) i. Fill in the following table:

h	0.1	0.01	0.001	0.0001	0.00001	0.000001
$f(h) = \frac{e^h - 1}{h}$						

- ii. What should $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^h - 1}{h}$ be?

(b) Let $f(x) = e^x$. Find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$.

(c) Let $f(x) = e^{2x}$. Find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$.

(d) Let $f(x) = e^{3x}$. Find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$.

(e) Let $f(x) = e^{nx}$ where $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$.

9. Find each of the following limits :

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}};$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}};$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \left(1 + \frac{2e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}} \right);$

(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}} \right).$

10. Find each of the following limits :

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln(7x^3 - x^2 + 1);$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \ln\left(\frac{1}{x^2 - 5x}\right).$