

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (f+g)(3) \\
 f(3) + g(3) \\
 .5 + 3 \\
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 \end{array}
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 \text{if)} \\
 \sqrt[n]{3 \cdot 2^n \cdot x^{2n} y^n \cdot y^3} \\
 2x^n y \sqrt[n]{3y^3}
 \end{array} \right.$$

$$7.) -3x^{\frac{1}{3}} + 4x^{\frac{1}{2}} - (5x^{\frac{1}{3}} + 4x^{\frac{1}{2}})$$
$$-8x^{\frac{1}{3}}$$
$$\{x | x \geq 0\}$$

$$13.) \quad 4x^{2/3} \cdot 5x^{1/2} \\ 20x^{7/6}$$

$$x^{1/2} = \sqrt{x}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{2} \\ \{x | x \geq 0\}$$

$$\frac{7}{6}$$

### 3.3: Perform Function Operations and Composition

Find the domain in set notation.

- ①  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$   $\{x | x \geq 0\}$
- ②  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$   $\{x | x \neq 0\}$
- ③  $h(x) = x^{3/4}$   $\{x | x \geq 0\}$  (even root)
- ④  $r(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}$   $\{x | x \neq 2\}$
- ⑤  $f(x) = x^2 - 3x + 7$   $\{x | x \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- ⑥  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 9}$   $\{x | x \neq \pm 3\}$

$$\textcircled{7} \quad m(x) = \sqrt{x-2} \quad \{x | x \geq 2\}$$

$$\textcircled{8} \quad k(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x-2}} \quad \{x | x > 2\}$$

### Function Compositions

$$f(g(x)) \stackrel{\text{or}}{=} (f \circ g)(x)$$

*outer function*      *inner function*      *outer*      *inner*

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

$$\underline{g(x) = 2x + 3}$$

$$f(g(x)) = (2x+3)^2 - 4$$

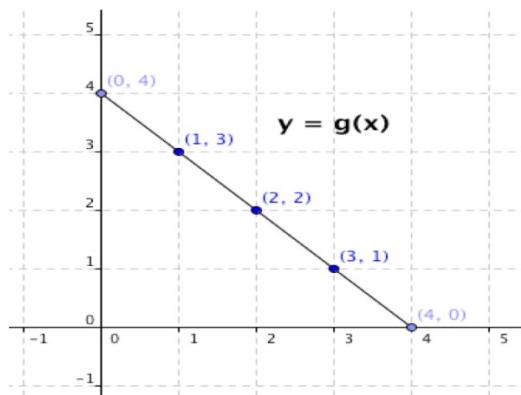
$$= 4x^2 + 12x + 9 - 4 = 4x^2 + 12x + 5$$

$$f(x) = x^2 - 4 \quad g(x) = 2x + 3$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad g(f(x)) &= 2(x^2 - 4) + 3 \\ &= 2x^2 - 8 + 3 = 2x^2 - 5 \end{aligned}$$

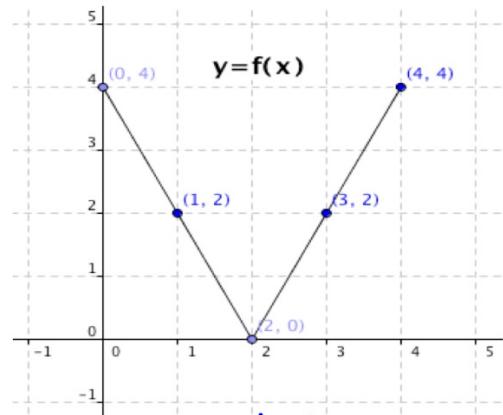
$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad g(f(4)) &\quad f(4) = 12 \\ 2(4)^2 - 5 &\quad g(f(4)) = \\ 27 &\quad g(12) = 27 \end{aligned}$$



$$\textcircled{1} \quad \left(\frac{g}{f}\right)(1) = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad f(g(3)) = 2$$

$f(1)$



$$\textcircled{3} \quad (f \circ f)(3) = 0$$

$f(f(3))$

## How to determine the domain of a composite function

- 1) Write down the domain of the function to plug in.  
For example: for  $f(g(x))$ , find the domain of  $g(x)$
- 2) Compose the function. Then find the domain of the composed functions  $f(g(x))$  and combine the domain of  $g(x)$  and  $f(g(x))$ .

The original domain of  $g(x)$  does not disappear!

Find each composition and state the domain.

$$\begin{aligned}a(x) &= \sqrt{x} \\e(x) &= x - 2 \\b(x) &= x^2 \\d(x) &= \frac{1}{x} \\f(x) &= x^2 - 16\end{aligned}$$

- ①  $a(e(x)) = \sqrt{x-2} \quad \{x | x \geq 2\}$   
    ↑  
    All Reals
- ②  $d(a(x)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \quad \{x | x > 0\}$   
    ↑  
     $x \geq 0$
- ③  $d(f(x)) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 16} \quad \{x | x \neq \pm 4\}$   
    ↑  
    All Reals

$$h(x) = x^2 - 3x + 1$$

$$m(x) = 5x$$

$$\begin{aligned}h(m(x)) &= (5x)^2 - 3(5x) + 1 \\&= 25x^2 - 15x + 1\end{aligned}$$