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Unit 3: Polynomials
Lesson: Composition of Functions (pt.2)

1) Let $f(x) = 2x^2 - 5$ and $g(x) = 3x - 1$. Evaluate:

a) $f(g(2)) =$

$$g(2) = 3(2) - 1$$

$$g(2) = 6 - 1$$

$$g(2) = 5$$

$$f(5) = 2(5)^2 - 5$$

$$2(25) - 5$$

$$f(g(2)) = 45$$

b) $g(f(-1)) = -10$

$$f(-1) = 2(-1)^2 - 5$$

$$2(1) - 5$$

$$2 - 5$$

$$f(-1) = -3$$

$$g(-3) = 3(-3) - 1$$

$$-9 - 1$$

$$g(f(-1)) = -10$$

c) $f(g(x))$

$$f(3x-1)$$

$$2(3x-1)^2 - 5$$

$$2(3x-1)(3x-1) - 5$$

$$2(9x^2 - 6x + 1) - 5$$

$$18x^2 - 12x + 2 - 5$$

$$f(g(x)) = 18x^2 - 12x - 3$$

d) $g(f(x))$

$$3(2x^2 - 5) - 1$$

$$6x^2 - 15 - 1$$

$$g(f(x)) = 6x^2 - 16$$

2) Consider the function $f(x) = 5x - 3$.

a) Describe, in words, what the function does to any input.

Multiply the input by 5 and subtract by 3.

b) Write the inverse function of $f(x)$

$$y = 5x - 3 \rightarrow x = \frac{y+3}{5}$$

$$\frac{x+3}{5} = \frac{5y}{5}$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+3}{5} \quad \text{or} \quad f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x}{5} + \frac{3}{5}$$

c) Verify by composition that $f(x)$ and $f^{-1}(x)$ are inverses of each other.

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = \frac{5}{1} \left(\frac{x+3}{5} \right) - 3$$

$$x+3-3$$

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

The two functions are inverses of each other because the result after the composition of $f(f^{-1}(x))$ is x . Meaning all operations are inverted & cancel.

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3) Given $f(x) = x^2 + 2x$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$, evaluate each of the following composite function operations.

a) $g(x-2)$

$$\sqrt{(x-2)+1}$$

$$g(x-2) = \sqrt{x-1}$$

c) $g(f(8)) = 8^2 + 2(8)$
 $64 + 16$

$$g(80) = \sqrt{80+1} = \sqrt{81} = 9$$

$$g(f(8)) = 9$$

b) $f(g(8))$

$$f(g(8)) = 15$$

$$g(8) = \sqrt{8+1}$$

$$\sqrt{9}$$

$$g(8) = 3$$

$$f(g(8)) = (3)^2 + 2(3)$$

$$f(g(8)) = 9 + 6 = 15$$

d) $f(f(1))$

$$f(1) = 1^2 + 2(1)$$

$$f(3) = 3^2 + 2(3)$$

$$9 + 6$$

$$f(f(1)) = 15$$

Review from ICA Data

Factor the following expressions.

a) $4x^2 - 16x$

$$\underline{4x} \cdot x - 4 \cdot \underline{4x}$$

$$4x(x-4)$$

b) $36z^4 - 9z^2$

$$\underline{9} \cdot \underline{4z^2} \cdot z^2 - \underline{9} \cdot \underline{1z^2}$$

$$9z^2(4z^2 - 1)$$

c) $16y^2 - 64$

$$(4y)^2 - (8)^2$$

$$(4y-8)(4y+8)$$

Difference of 2 Squares

Foreshadow

In this course, you will need to rationalize the denominator (make the denominator a rational number) of fractions with radicals in the denominator. Before calculators, there was good reason to rationalize denominators—all calculations had to be done by hand. Consider dividing 1 by $\sqrt{3}$, or $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$. What about dividing $\sqrt{3}$ by 3, or $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$? Since $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$ was a more useful form, it became the standard form. Use the following method to rationalize the denominator of each radical expression below: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$.

a. $\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$

b. $\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{2} = \sqrt{2}$

c. $\frac{2}{3\sqrt{5}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{3 \cdot 5} =$

$$\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{15}$$