

# ADVANCED FUNCTIONS

## ***Chapter 8 –Combining Functions***

*(Material adapted from Chapter 9 of your text)*

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# 8.1 Sums and Differences of Functions

## Definition 8.1.1

Given two functions  $f(x)$ , and  $g(x)$  with domains  $D_f$  and  $D_g$  respectively, then we can **construct** new functions:

$$F(x) = (f + g)(x)$$

$$G(x) = (f - g)(x)$$

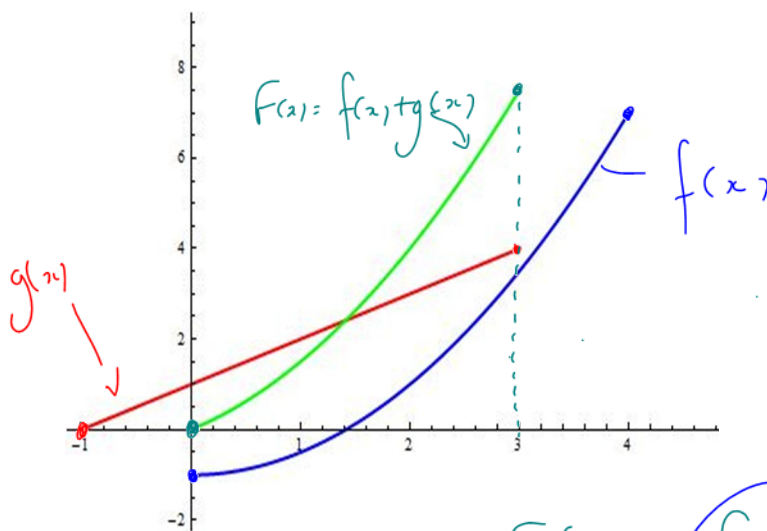
where the **meaning** of the notation for the “sum” and “difference” functions is as follows:

$$F(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$

$$G(x) = f(x) - g(x)$$

## Example 8.1.1

Consider the sketch (so that we can get at the domain of sum and difference functions):



$$D_f = [0, 4]$$

$$D_g = [-1, 3]$$

$$D_{f+g} = [0, 3]$$

$$F(-1) = \text{undefined} + g(-1)$$

undefined

$\therefore F(-1)$  is undefined

we can only use domain values which are common to both  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ !

Note: The domain of a sum/difference  $f \pm g$  is the **INTERSECTION** of the domains of the known  $f$ 's

In general, given functions  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  with domains  $D_f$  and  $D_g$ , then the combined function

$$F(x) = (f \pm g)(x)$$

$$D_F = D_f \cap D_g$$

intersection (values in common)

### Example 8.1.2

Determine the domain of  $F(x) = (f - g)(x)$  for  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ , and  $g(x) = \log(-(x-2))$ .

$-(x-2) > 0$   
 $\Rightarrow x-2 < 0$   
 $x < 2$

$$D_F = D_f \cap D_g = [0, 2)$$

$$D_f = [0, \infty)$$

$$D_g = (-\infty, 2)$$

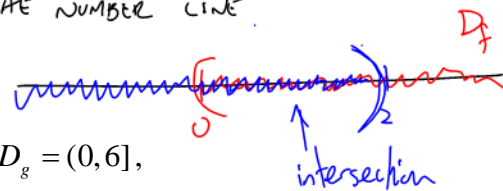
CONSIDER THE NUMBER LINE

### Example 8.1.3

Given  $f(x) = x^3 - 4x + 1$ ,  $D_f = [-4, 5]$  and  $g(x) = 2x^2 - 1$ ,  $D_g = (0, 6]$ ,

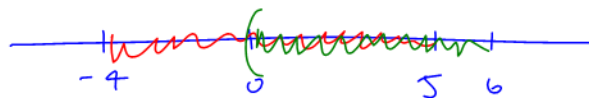
Determine:

- the order of  $F(x) = (g - f)(x) = g(x) - f(x)$
- $D_F$
- an algebraic representation for  $F(x)$



a) Order 3

$$b) D_F = D_f \cap D_g = (0, 5]$$



$$c) F(x) = (g - f)(x) = g(x) - f(x)$$

$$= (2x^2 - 1) - (x^3 - 4x + 1)$$

$$= -x^3 + 2x^2 + 4x - 2$$

### Example 8.1.4

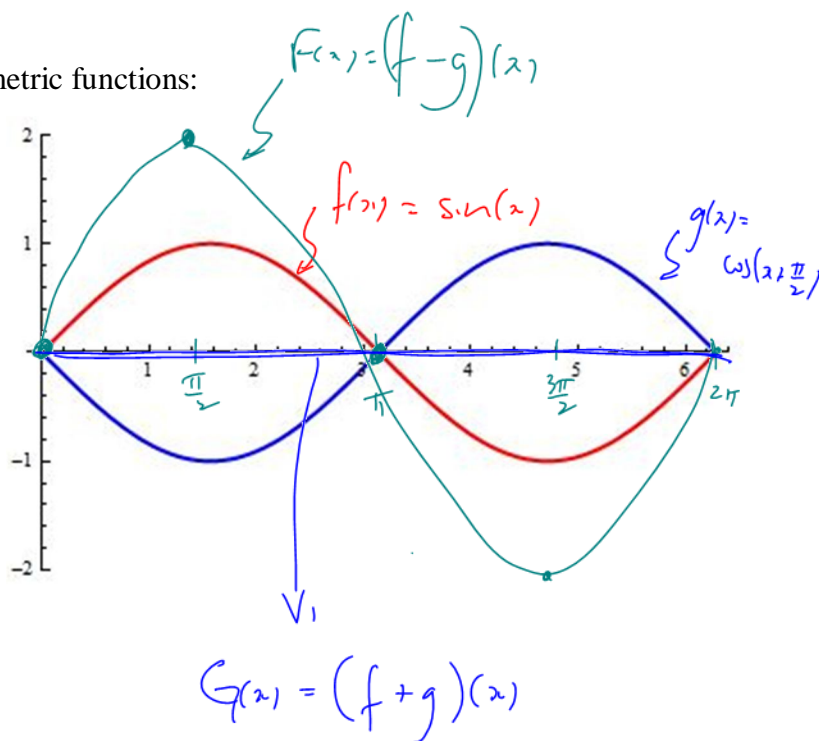
Consider the sketches of the trigonometric functions:

$$f(x) = \sin(x), D_f = [0, 2\pi]$$

$$g(x) = \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{2}\right), D_g = [0, 2\pi]$$

Sketch a)  $F(x) = (f - g)(x)$

b)  $G(x) = (f + g)(x)$

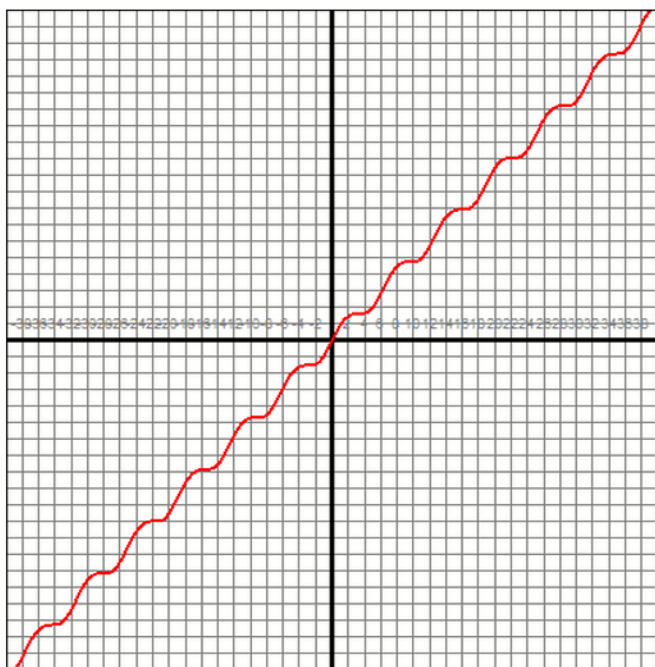


a)  $F(x) = f(x) - g(x)$   
 eg  $F\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = f\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) - g\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$   
 $= -1 - 1 = -2$

### Example 8.1.5

Consider the functions  $f(x) = x$ ,  $g(x) = \sin(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

What does  $F(x) = (f + g)(x)$  look like? (see Ex. 3 Pg. 526)



Note that  $F(x)$  contains the behaviours of BOTH fns used in its construction

**Example 8.1.6**

From your text: Pg. 528 #1ae

Let  $f = \{(-4, 4), (-2, 4), (1, 3), (3, 5), (4, 6)\}$  and  $g = \{(-4, 2), (-2, 1), (0, 2), (1, 2), (2, 2), (4, 4)\}$ .Determine: a)  $(f+g)(x)$  e)  $(f+f)(x)$ 

$$D_f = \{-4, -2, 1, 3, 4\}$$

$$D_g = \{-4, -2, 0, 1, 2, 4\}$$

$$D_{f+g} = \{-4, -2, 1, 4\}$$

$$(f+g)(4) = f(4) + g(4) = 4 + 2 = 6$$

$$2) (f+g)(x) = \{(-4, 6), (-2, 5), (1, 5), (4, 10)\}$$

$$e) (f+f)(x) = \{(-4, 8), (-2, 8), (1, 6), (3, 10), (4, 12)\}$$

**Example 8.1.7**

From your text: Pg. 529 #7ab

Given  $f(x) = \frac{1}{3x-4}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}$ , determine  $(f+g)(x)$  and  $D_{(f+g)}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} (f+g)(x) &= f(x) + g(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{3x-4} + \frac{1}{x-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x-2 + 3x-4 &\xrightarrow{-4} \frac{4x-6}{(3x-4)(x-2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$D_{f+g} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \neq \frac{4}{3}, x \neq 2\}$$

$$(-\infty, \frac{4}{3}) \cup (\frac{4}{3}, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$$

**Class/Homework for Section 8.1**

Pg. 528 - 530 #1ce, 2, 3, 6ad, 10 (recall even/odd fns), 11 (see ex3 pg. 526), 12, 9ac (not symmetry)