### FREQUENTLY ASKED Questions

- **Q:** If you are given the graphs of two functions, f and g, how can you determine the location of a point that would appear on the graphs of f + g, f g,  $f \times g$ , and  $f \div g$ ?
- A: For any particular x-value, determine the y-value on each graph, separately. For f + g, add these two y-values together. For f g, subtract the y-value of g from the y-value of f. For  $f \times g$ , multiply these two y-values together. For  $f \div g$ , divide the y-value of f by the y-value of g. Each of these points has, as its coordinates, the same x-value and the new y-value.
- **Q:** If you are given the equations of two functions, f and g, how can you determine the equations of the functions f + g, f g,  $f \times g$ , and  $f \div g$ ?
- A: Every time you combine two functions in one of these ways, you are simply performing a different arithmetic operation on every pair of *y*-values, one from each of the functions being combined, provided that the *x*-values are the same. Since the equation of each function defines the *y*-values of each function, the new equation can be determined by adding, subtracting, multiplying, or dividing the *y*-value expressions as required.

For example, if  $f(x) = x^2 + 8$  and  $g(x) = 5^x$ , then

$$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) \qquad (f \times g)(x) = f(x) \times g(x)$$
$$= x^{2} + 8 + 5^{x} \qquad = (x^{2} + 8)(5^{x})$$
$$(f - g)(x) = f(x) - g(x) \qquad (f \div g)(x) = f(x) \div g(x)$$
$$= x^{2} + 8 - 5^{x} \qquad = \frac{x^{2} + 8}{5^{x}}$$

# **Q:** How can you determine the domain of the combined functions f + g, f - g, $f \times g$ , and $f \div g$ ?

A: Since you can only combine points from two functions when they share the same *x*-value, the domain of the combined function must consist of the set of *x*-values where the domains of the two given functions intersect. The only exception occurs when you are dividing two functions. The function  $f \div g$  is not defined when its denominator is equal to zero, since division by zero is undefined. As a result, *x*-values that cause g(x) to equal zero must be excluded from the domain.

### Study Aid

- See Lessons 9.1 to 9.4.
- Try Mid-Chapter Review Question 2.

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## **PRACTICE** Questions

#### Lesson 9.1

**1.** Given the functions  $f(x) = \cos x$  and  $g(x) = \sin x$ , which operations can be used to combine the two functions to create a new function with an amplitude that is less than 1?

#### Lesson 9.2

- **2.** Let  $f(x) = \{(-9, -2), (-6, -3), (-3, 0),$ (0, 2), (3, 7) and  $g(x) = \{(-12, 9),$ (-9, 4), (-8, 1), (-7, 10), (-6, -6),(0, 12)}. Determine
  - a) (f+g)(x)b) (g+f)(x)c) (f-g)(x)d) (g-f)(x)
- 3. The cost, in thousands of dollars, for a company to produce x thousand of its product is given by the function C(x) = 10x + 30. The revenue from the sales of the product is given by the function  $R(x) = -5x^2 + 150x$ .
  - a) company's profit on sales of x thousand of its product.
  - where  $0 \le x \le 40$ .
  - **c**) of 7500 of its product?
- **4.** Steve earns \$24.39/h operating an industrial plasma torch at a rail-car manufacturing plant. He receives \$0.58/h more for working the night shift, as well as \$0.39/h more for working weekends.
  - a) Write a function that describes Steve's daily earnings under regular pay.
  - What function shows his daily earnings b) under the night-shift premium?
  - c) What function shows his daily earnings under the weekend premium?
  - d) What function represents his earnings for the night shift on Saturday?
  - e) How much does Steve earn for working 11 h on Saturday night, if he earns time and a half on that day's rate for more than 8 h of work?

- Write the function that represents the
- **b**) Graph the cost, revenue, and profit functions on the same coordinate grid,
- What is the company's profit on the sale

### $C(h) = -30 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}h\right) + 34$ , where h is the number of hours after the 6 a.m. opening time. The average amount of money, in dollars, that

Lesson 9.3

domain.

each customer in the diner will spend can be modelled by the function

5. Determine  $(f \times g)(x)$  for each of the following pairs of functions, and state its

a)  $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{2}, g(x) = x + \frac{1}{2}$ 

c)  $f(x) = 11x^3, g(x) = \frac{2}{x+5}$ 

**b**)  $f(x) = \sqrt{x - 10}, g(x) = \sin(3x)$ 

d) f(x) = 90x - 1, g(x) = 90x + 1

time can be modelled by the function

6. A diner is open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., and the average number of customers in the diner at any

 $D(h) = -3\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}h\right) + 7.$ 

- a) Write the function that represents the diner's average revenue from the customers.
- Graph the function you wrote in part a). b)
- What is the average revenue from the **c**) customers in the diner at 2 p.m.?

#### Lesson 9.4

- 7. Calculate  $(f \div g)(x)$  for each of the following pairs of functions, and state its domain.
  - a) f(x) = 240, g(x) = 3x
  - **b**)  $f(x) = 10x^2, g(x) = x^3 3x$
  - c)  $f(x) = x + 8, g(x) = \sqrt{x 8}$

d) 
$$f(x) = 14x^2, g(x) = 2 \log x$$

8. Recall that  $y = \tan x \operatorname{can} be written as the$ quotient of two functions:  $f(x) = \sin x$  and  $g(x) = \cos x$ . List as many other trigonometric functions as possible that could be written as the quotient of two functions.

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