

Keeper 1.4 - Composition, Exponentials and Logs

The Algebra of Functions

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

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

$$(f \cdot g)(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$$

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}, \text{ where } g(x) \neq 0$$

Composition of Functions

Given two functions f and g where x is in the domain of g and $g(x)$ is in the domain of f then,

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$$

and

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$$

Examples: Evaluate the Functions

1.

x	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$f(x)$	-3	-2	1	4	-1	0
$g(x)$	-2	0	1	3	-1	2

a. $(f + g)(-1)$

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

$$= -2 + 0$$

$$= -2$$

b. $(f \circ g)(3)$

$$= f(g(3))$$

$$= f(2)$$

$$= -1$$

c. $(g \circ g)(1)$

$$= g(g(1))$$

$$= g(0)$$

$$= 1$$

d. $g^{-1}(0)$ ↖ y value

* What x value gives a y value of 0 for g

$$g^{-1}(0) = -1$$

e. $f^{-1}(-2)$

↖ y value

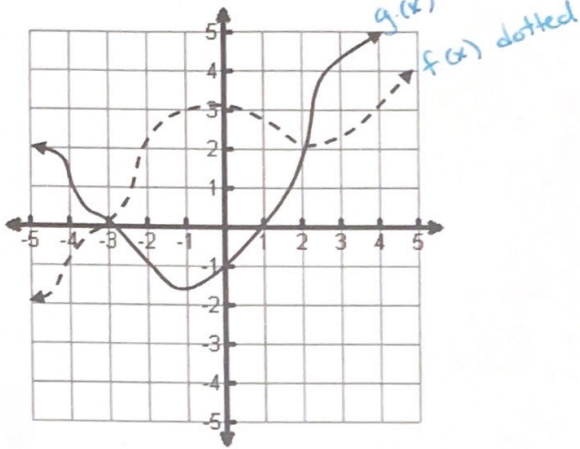
$$f^{-1}(-2) = -1$$

f. $f(g(-1))$

$$= f(0)$$

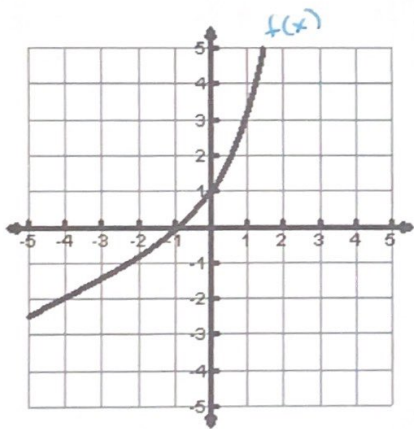
$$= 1$$

2.



- $(f-g)(4) = f(4) - g(4) = 3 - 5 = -2$
- $(g-f)(-2) = g(-2) - f(-2) = -1 - 2 = -3$
- $(f \circ g)(1) = f(g(1)) = f(0) = 3$
- $(g \circ f)(-2) = g(f(-2)) = g(3) = 2$
- $(f \circ f)(-3) = f(f(-3)) = f(0) = 3$
- $(g \circ g)(-4) = g(g(-4)) = g(1) = 0$

3.



Find:

$$f(0) = 1$$

$$f^{-1}(3) = 0$$

↓
y value

$$f(1) = 3$$

$$f^{-1}(1) = 0$$

↓
y value

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

$$f^{-1}(-2) = -4$$

↓
y value

Logarithmic Properties	
Product Rule	$\log_a(xy) = \log_a x + \log_a y$
Quotient Rule	$\log_a\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log_a x - \log_a y$
Power Rule	$\log_a x^p = p \log_a x$
Change of Base Rule	$\log_a x = \frac{\log_b x}{\log_b a}$
Equality Rule	If $\log_a x = \log_a y$ then $x = y$

Examples.

4. Find the value of the following without using a calculator.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a. } & 3 \ln e + \ln\left(\frac{1}{e}\right) \\ &= 3(1) + \ln e^{-1} \\ &= 3 + (-1) \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b. } & \ln e^2 + e^{-\ln e} \\ &= 2 \ln e + e^{\ln e^{-1}} \\ &= 2 + e^{-1} \\ &= 2 + \frac{1}{e} \end{aligned}$$

* Do Not
Leave
Negative
exponents!

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c. } & e^{-\ln \sqrt{e}} \\ &= e^{\ln e^{-1/2}} \\ &= e^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{e}} \end{aligned}$$

* No Need
to Rationalise

5. Simplify to a single \ln or e expression, or to a single number.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a. } & 2 \ln a - 3 \ln b + \ln(ab) \\ &= \ln a^2 - \ln b^3 + \ln(ab) \\ &= \ln \frac{a^2}{b^3} (ab) \\ &= \ln \left(\frac{a^3}{b^2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b. } & \ln(xe^{-\ln x}) \\ &= \ln(xe^{\ln x^{-1}}) \\ &= \ln(x \cdot x^{-1}) \\ &= \ln(1) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

* Remember
 $\ln e = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c. } & \ln(e^2 \ln(e \ln e)) \\ &= \ln(e^2 \ln(e)) \\ &= \ln(e^2) \\ &= 2 \ln e \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

6. Express as a logarithm of a single expression.

a. $2 \ln x + 4 \ln y - \ln 13$
 $= \ln x^2 + \ln y^4 - \ln 13$
 $= \ln \left(\frac{x^2 y^4}{13} \right)$

b. $\ln 7 + 5 \ln y - \frac{\ln x}{2}$
 $\ln 7 + \ln y^5 - \ln x^{1/2}$
 $\ln \left(\frac{7y^5}{\sqrt{x}} \right)$

c. $\log(x^2 - 16) - 3 \log(x + 4) + 2 \log x$
 $\log(x^2 - 16) - \log(x+4)^3 + \log x^2$

$$\log \left(\frac{x^2(x^2 - 16)}{(x+4)^3} \right)$$

* Simplify!

$$\log \left(\frac{x^2(x-4)(x+4)}{(x+4)^3} \right)$$

$$\log \left(\frac{x^2(x-4)}{(x+4)^2} \right)$$

7. Expand the following logarithms.

a. $\log \frac{x^2 y^3}{z}$
 $\log x^2 + \log y^3 - \log z$
 $2 \log x + 3 \log y - \log z$

b. $\ln \frac{x^3 \sqrt[3]{4x+1}}{\sqrt{2x-1}}$
 $\ln x + \ln \sqrt[3]{4x+1} - \ln \sqrt{2x-1}$
 $\ln x + \ln(4x+1)^{1/3} - \ln(2x-1)^{1/2}$
 $\ln x + \frac{1}{3} \ln(4x+1) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(2x-1)$

c. $\log \frac{z}{\sqrt{xy}}$
 $\log z - \log \sqrt{xy}$
 $\log z - \frac{1}{2} \log(xy)$
 $\log z - \frac{1}{2} \log x - \frac{1}{2} \log y$
or
 $\log z - \frac{1}{2} (\log x + \log y)$

Solve the following equations

8. $2^x + 5 = 17$

$$2^x = 12$$

$$x = \log_2 12$$

9. $7.01 = 3^{2x} - 2.4$

$$3^{2x} = 9.41$$

$$2x = \log_3 9.41$$

$$x = \frac{\log_3 9.41}{2}$$

10. $5e^{x+1} = 27$

$$e^{x+1} = \frac{27}{5}$$

$$x+1 = \ln\left(\frac{27}{5}\right)$$

$$x = \ln\left(\frac{27}{5}\right) - 1$$

11. $3 \cdot 2^{2x+1} = 24$

$$2^{2x+1} = 8$$

$$2^{2x+1} = 2^3$$

$$2x+1 = 3$$

$$2x = 2$$

$$x = 1$$

12. $e^{x^2+2x} = 2$

$$x^2+2x = \ln 2$$

$$x^2+2x - \ln 2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4+4\ln 2}}{2}$$

$$x = -1 \pm \sqrt{1+\ln 2}$$

13. $4e^{2x-3} - 5 = e$

$$4e^{2x-3} = e+5$$

$$e^{2x-3} = \frac{e+5}{4}$$

$$2x-3 = \ln\left(\frac{e+5}{4}\right)$$

$$2x = \ln\left(\frac{e+5}{4}\right) + 3$$

$$x = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{e+5}{4}\right) + 3}{2}$$

14. $2P = Pe^{kx}$

$$2 = e^{kx}$$

$$\ln 2 = kx$$

$$x = \frac{\ln 2}{k}$$

15. $ae^{kx} = eb^{kx}$

$$\frac{e^{kx}}{b^{kx}} = \frac{e}{a}$$

$$\left(\frac{e}{b}\right)^{kx} = \frac{e}{a}$$

$$kx \ln\left(\frac{e}{b}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{e}{a}\right)$$

$$kx(1 - \ln b) = 1 - \ln a$$

$$x = \frac{1 - \ln a}{k(1 - \ln a)}$$

16. $3(3^x) - 5x(3^x) + 2x^2(3^x) = 0$

$$3^x(2x^2 - 5x + 3) = 0$$

$$3^x(x-1)(2x-3) = 0$$

$$3^x = 0 \quad x-1 = 0 \quad 2x-3 = 0$$

$$\text{DNE} \quad x = 1 \quad x = 3/2$$

$$x = 1, 3/2$$

17. $\ln(x-2) = 2\ln(x)$

$$\ln(x-2) = \ln x^2$$

$$x-2 = x^2$$

$$x^2 - x + 2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1-4(1)(2)}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{7}i}{2}$$

Imaginary!

18. $\ln(2x^2 - 4) = 5$

$$2x^2 - 4 = e^5$$

$$2x^2 = e^5 + 4$$

$$x^2 = \frac{e^5 + 4}{2}$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{e^5 + 4}{2}}$$

19. $\log_3(\log_3(2x)) = 1$

$$\log_3(2x) = 3$$

$$2x = 3^3$$

$$2x = 27$$

$$x = \frac{27}{2}$$

Evaluate the expressions with no calculator.

$$\begin{aligned} 20. \quad 36^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \sqrt{36} \\ &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 21. \quad 8^{\frac{2}{3}} \\ &= (\sqrt[3]{8})^2 \\ &= 2^2 \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 22. \quad \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \left(\frac{9}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{9}{4}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{9}}{\sqrt{4}} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 23. \quad \left(\frac{64x^{27}}{125y^{-8}}\right)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= \left(\frac{125y^{-8}}{64x^{27}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= \left(\frac{125}{64x^{27}y^8}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= \frac{125^{\frac{1}{3}}}{64^{\frac{1}{3}}x^9y^{\frac{8}{3}}} \\ &= \frac{5}{4x^9y^{\frac{8}{3}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 24. \quad \left(\frac{1000}{27}\right)^{-\frac{2}{3}} \\ &= \left(\frac{27}{1000}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \\ &= \sqrt[3]{\frac{27}{1000}}^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{10}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{9}{100} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 25. \quad (64)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{64}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \\ &= \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{64}}\right)^3 \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^3 \\ &= \frac{1}{512} \end{aligned}$$