

W5 – Combinations of Functions

MHF4U

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1) Let  $f(x) = 3x - 5$  and  $g(x) = 2x + 3$ .

a) Write the equation for  $h(x) = f(x) + g(x)$  and determine the value of  $h(2)$ .

$$h(x) = (3x - 5) + (2x + 3)$$

$$h(x) = 3x - 5 + 2x + 3$$

$$h(x) = 5x - 2$$

$$h(2) = 5(2) - 2$$

$$h(2) = 8$$

b) Write the equation for  $k(x) = f(x) - g(x)$  and determine the value of  $k(2)$ .

$$k(x) = (3x - 5) - (2x + 3)$$

$$k(x) = 3x - 5 - 2x - 3$$

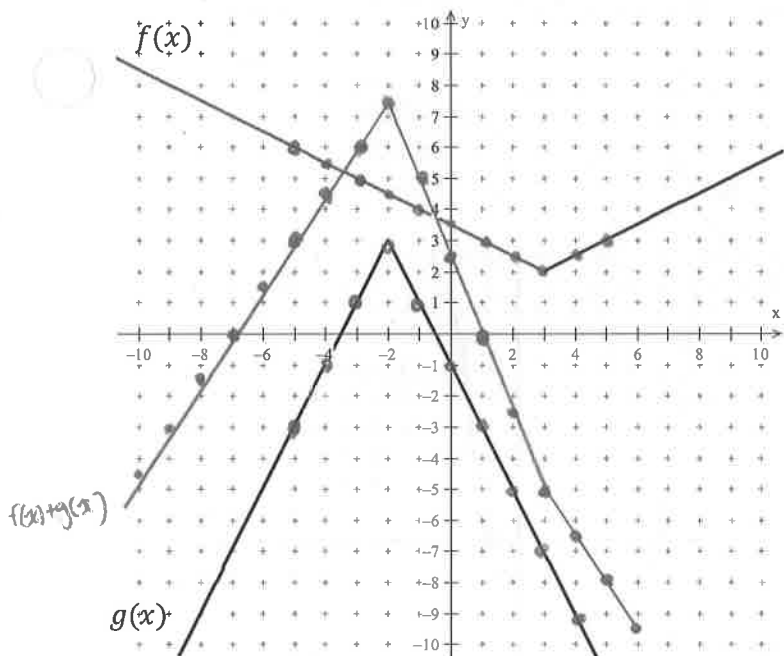
$$k(x) = x - 8$$

$$k(2) = 2 - 8$$

$$= -6$$

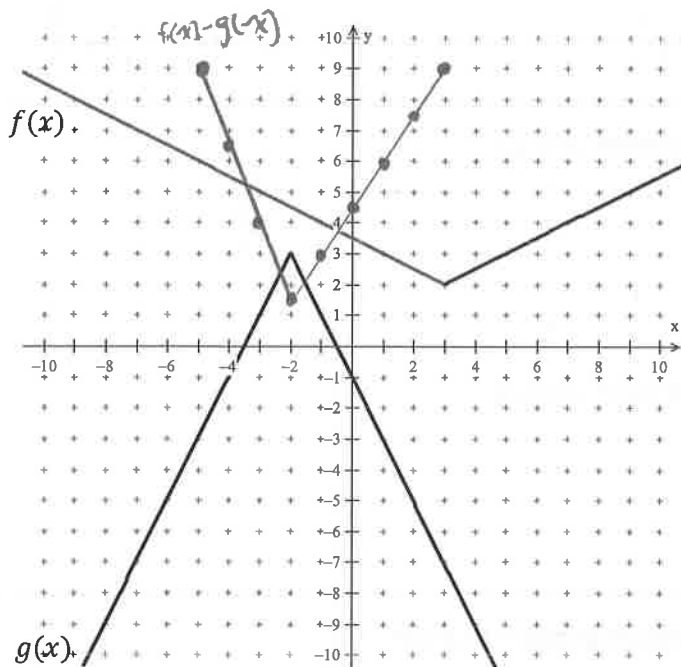
2) Use the functions  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  as shown. Apply the superposition principle to graph

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



$x$	$f(x)$	$g(x)$	$f(x) + g(x)$	$f(x) - g(x)$
-5	6	-3	3	9
-4	5.5	-1	4.5	6.5
-3	5	1	6	4
-2	4.5	3	7.5	1.5
-1	4	1	5	3
0	3.5	-1	2.5	4.5
1	3	-3	0	6
2	2.5	-5	-2.5	7.5
3	2	-7	-5	9
4	1.5	-9	-7.5	10.5
5	1	-11	-10	12

b)  $y = f(x) - g(x)$ .



3) Let  $f(x) = x - 2$  and  $g(x) = x^2 + 3x - 3$ . Determine an algebraic and graphical model for  $h(x) = f(x) + g(x)$ .

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

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

$$h(x) = x^2 + 4x - 5$$

$$h(x) = (x + 5)(x - 1)$$

x-int:  $x = -5$  and  $x = 1$

x-vertex at  $\frac{-5+1}{2} = -2$

$$h(-2) = (-2)^2 + 4(-2) - 5$$

$$= -9$$

$(-2, -9)$

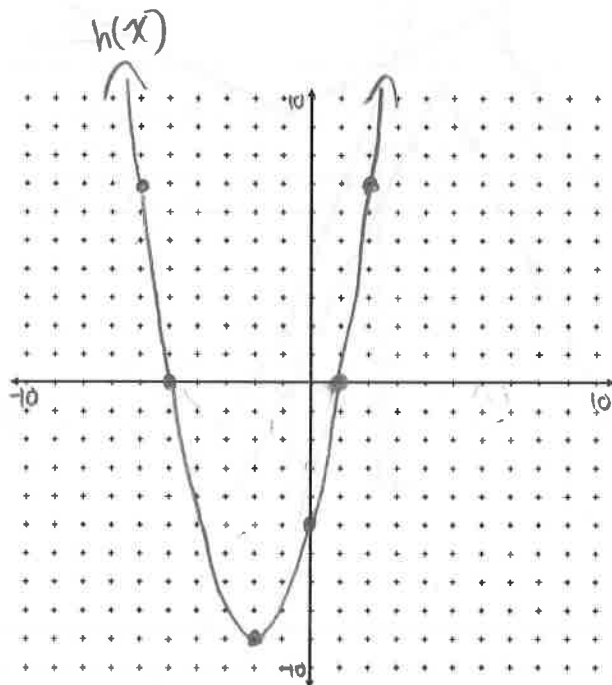
y-int:

$$h(0) = 0^2 + 4(0) - 5$$

$$h(0) = -5$$

$(0, -5)$

x	y
-6	7
-5	0
-2	-9
1	0
2	7

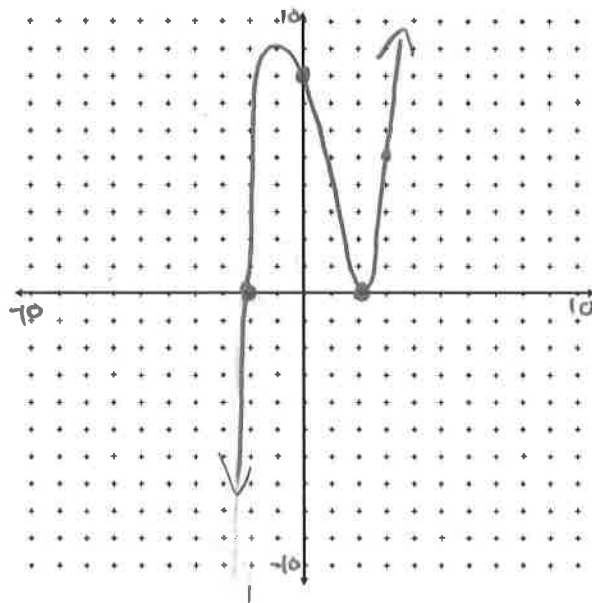


4) Let  $f(x) = x - 2$  and  $g(x) = x^2 - 4$ . Develop an algebraic and graphical model for each of the following:

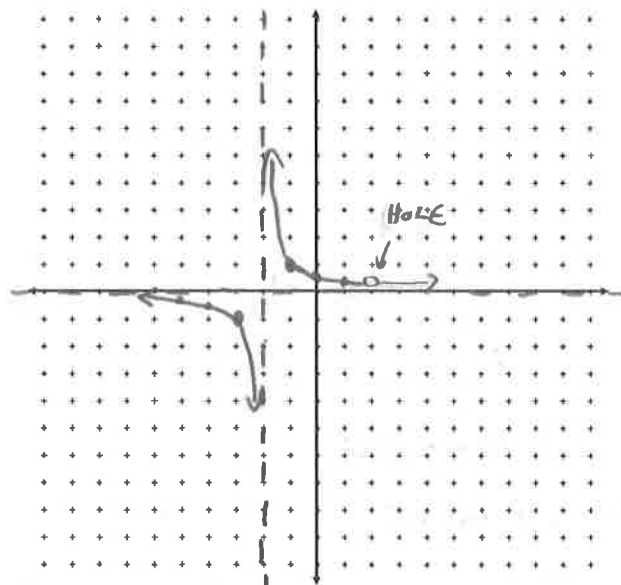
$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } y = f(x)g(x) &= (x-2)(x^2-4) \\ &= (x-2)(x-2)(x+2) \\ &= (x-2)^2(x+2) \end{aligned}$$

x-int:  $(2,0)$  order 2  
 $(-2,0)$  order 1

y-int:  $y = (0-2)^2(0+2)$   
 $y = 8$   
 $(0,8)$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } y = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} &= \frac{x-2}{x^2-4} \\ &= \frac{x-2}{(x-2)(x+2)} \\ &= \frac{1}{x+2}; x \neq -2, 2 \end{aligned}$$



Hole at  $x=2$

VA:  $x=-2$

HA:  $y=0$

$x$	$y$
-5	-3
-4	-2
-3	-1
-2	0
-1	1
0	2
1	3

$x$	$\frac{1}{x+2}$
-5	-0.33
-4	-0.5
-3	-1
-2	und.
-1	1
0	0.5
1	0.33

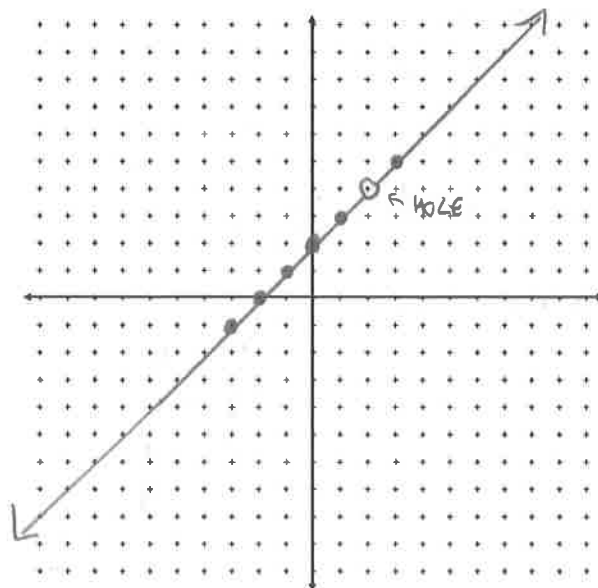
$$\text{c) } y = \frac{g(x)}{f(x)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{x^2-4}{x-2} \\ &= \frac{(x-2)(x+2)}{x-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$= x+2; x \neq 2$$

Hole at  $x=2$

$x$	$y$
-3	-1
-2	0
-1	1
0	2
1	3
2	undefined
3	5



5) Let  $f(x) = x^2 + 2x - 4$  and  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x+1}$ .

a) Evaluate  $g(f(0))$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(0) &= 0^2 + 2(0) - 4 \\
 f(0) &= -4
 \end{aligned}
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 \begin{aligned}
 g(f(0)) &= g(-4) \\
 &= \frac{1}{-4+1} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{3}
 \end{aligned}
 \right.$$

b) Evaluate  $f(g(-2))$

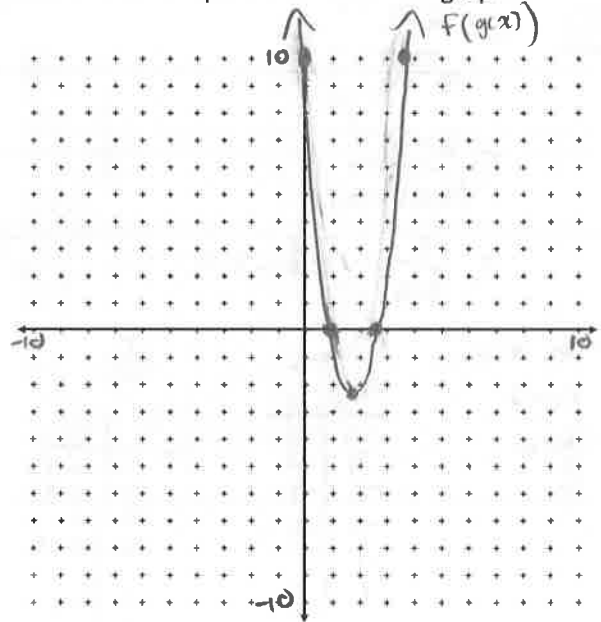
$$\begin{aligned}
 g(-2) &= \frac{1}{-2+1} \\
 g(-2) &= -1
 \end{aligned}
 \left\{
 \begin{aligned}
 f(g(-2)) &= f(-1) \\
 &= (-1)^2 + 2(-1) - 4 \\
 &= -5
 \end{aligned}
 \right.$$

6) Let  $f(x) = x^2 + 3x$  and  $g(x) = 2x - 5$ . Determine an equation for each composite function and graph it.

a)  $y = f(g(x))$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(g(x)) &= (2x-5)^2 + 3(2x-5) \\
 &= 4x^2 - 20x + 25 + 6x - 15 \\
 &= 4x^2 - 14x + 10 \\
 &= 2(2x^2 - 7x + 5) \\
 &= 2[2x^2 - 5x - 2x + 5] \\
 &= 2[x(2x-5) - 1(2x-5)] \\
 &= 2(2x-5)(x-1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$x$ -int:  $x = 1$  and  $x = 2.5$        $x$ -vertex at  $\frac{1+2.5}{2} = 1.75$   
 $y$ -int:  $(0, 10)$        $y$ -vertex =  $-2.25$



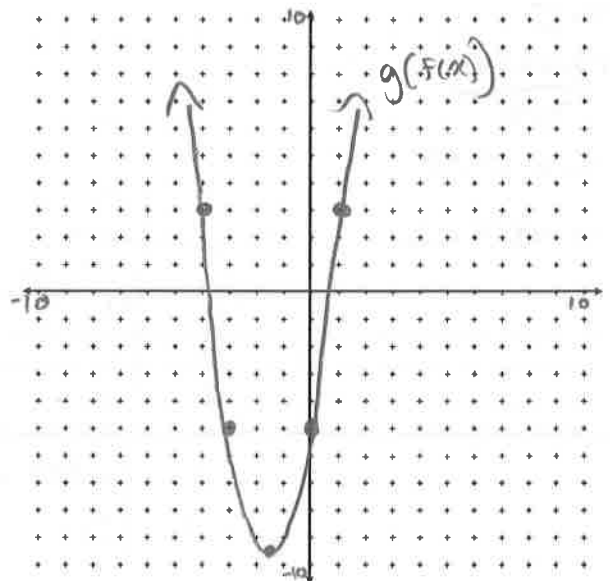
b)  $y = g(f(x))$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(f(x)) &= 2(x^2 + 3x) - 5 \\
 &= 2x^2 + 6x - 5
 \end{aligned}$$

$x$ -vertex at  $\frac{-b}{2a} = \frac{-6}{2(2)} = -1.5$

$y$ -vertex =  $-9.5$

$x$	$y$
-4	3
-3	-5
-1.5	-9.5
0	-5
1	3



$$c) y = g(g(x))$$

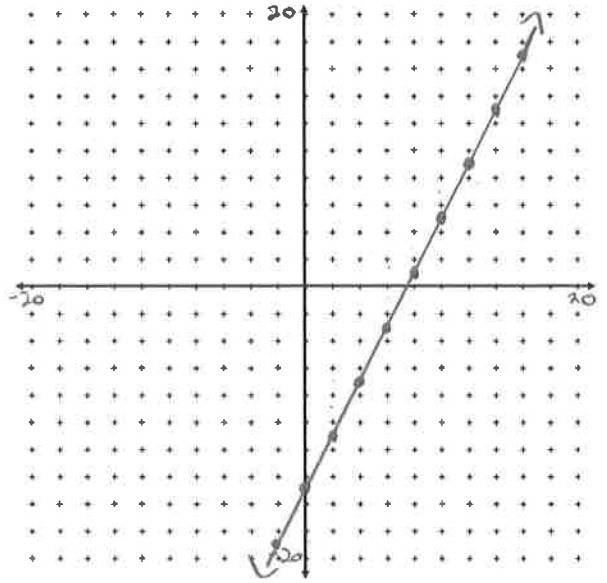
$$= 2(2x - 5) - 5$$

$$= 4x - 10 - 5$$

$$= 4x - 15$$

$$m = 4$$

$$b = -15$$



$$y = g^{-1}(g(x))$$

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

$$y = 2x - 5$$

$$x = 2y - 5$$

$$\frac{x+5}{2} = y$$

$$g^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+5}{2}$$

$$g^{-1}(g(x)) = \frac{(2x-5)+5}{2}$$

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

$$= x$$

$$m = 1$$

$$b = 0$$

