

## 1.7 Functions & Domain - Challenge

1. Given:  $f(x) = \sqrt{x-2}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{x}{x-5}$ , find  $g(f(x))$  and its domain.

$$g(f(x)) = \frac{f(x)}{f(x)-5} = \frac{\sqrt{x-2}}{\sqrt{x-2}-5} \quad \begin{aligned} \sqrt{x-2}-5 &\neq 0 \\ x &\neq 27 \end{aligned}$$

and  $[2, \infty)$  for domain of inner func.

$$D_F: [2, 27) \cup (27, \infty)$$

2. Given:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x-9}}$  and  $g(x) = x-4$ , find  $(f \circ g)(x)$  and its domain.

$$f(g(x)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(f(x))-9}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2(x-4)-9}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2x-17}} \quad \begin{aligned} 2x-17 &> 0 \\ x &> \frac{17}{2} \end{aligned}$$

intersect w/  $(-\infty, \infty)$

$$D_F: \left(\frac{17}{2}, \infty\right)$$

3. Given:  $f(x) = \sqrt{x-16}$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x-9}$ , find  $f(g(x))$  and the domain.

$$f(g(x)) = \sqrt{g(x)-16} = \sqrt{\sqrt{x-9}-16} \quad \begin{aligned} \sqrt{x-9}-16 &\geq 0 \\ (\sqrt{x-9})^2 &\geq 16^2 \\ x-9 &\geq 256 \end{aligned}$$

$x \geq 265$  intersect w/  
 $[9, \infty)$  inner func.

$$D_F: [265, \infty)$$

4. Given:  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $g(x) = \frac{x}{x-1}$ , and  $h(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$ , find  $f(g(h(x)))$  and make an attempt at finding the domain.

$$f(g(h(x))) = \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt[3]{x}}{\sqrt[3]{x-1}}} \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{\sqrt[3]{x}}{\sqrt[3]{x-1}} &\geq 0 \quad \text{and } \sqrt[3]{x-1} \neq 0 \\ \sqrt[3]{x} &= 0 \quad \text{at } x=0 \\ \sqrt[3]{x-1} &= 0 \quad \text{at } x=1 \end{aligned}$$

Values to check:

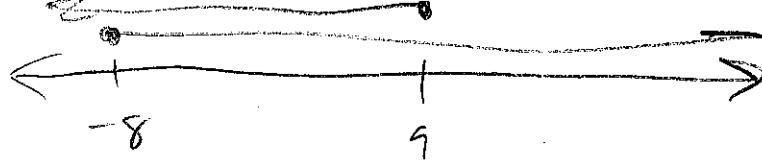
$x \rightarrow$	$-\infty, 0$	$0, 1$	$1, \infty$
$x \rightarrow$	$x=-1$	$x=0.5$	$x=2$
$\sqrt[3]{x}$	(-)	(+)	(+)
$\sqrt[3]{x-1}$	(-)	(-)	(+)
	(+)	-	(+)

$$D_F: (-\infty, 0] \cup (1, \infty)$$

Find the domain for the following functions. Trust the process for finding domain for radical and rational functions.

$$D: [-8, 9]$$

$$5. f(x) = \sqrt{x+8} - \sqrt{9-x}$$



$$D_F: [-8, 9]$$

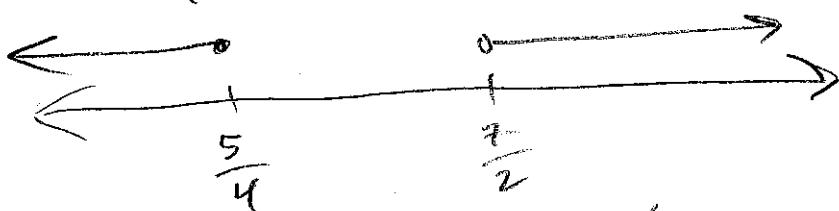
$$6. f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{5-4x}}{\sqrt{2x-7}}$$

$$5-4x \geq 0$$

$$x \leq \frac{5}{4}$$

$$2x-7 > 0$$

$$x > \frac{7}{2}$$



Domain does not exist. No real numbers.

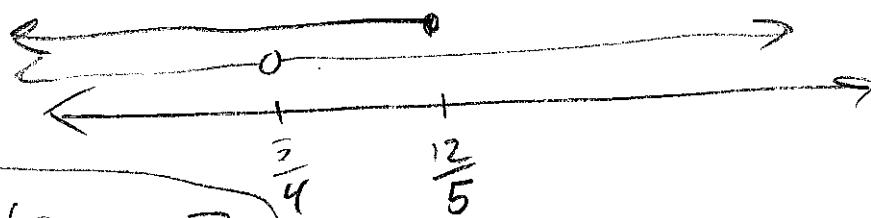
$$7. f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{-5x+12}}{-8x+6}$$

$$-5x+12 \geq 0$$

$$x \leq \frac{12}{5}$$

$$-8x+6 \neq 0$$

$$x \neq \frac{3}{4}$$



$$D_F: (-\infty, \frac{3}{4}) \cup (\frac{3}{4}, \frac{12}{5}]$$

$$8. f(x) = \frac{x^2-9}{\sqrt{3x+16}}$$

Numerator's  
domain is  $(-\infty, \infty)$

$$3x+16 > 0$$

$$x > -\frac{16}{3}$$

$$D_F: \left(-\frac{16}{3}, \infty\right)$$

Domain of  $f(x)$   $(-\infty, \infty)$

9.  $f(x) = \frac{\frac{3x}{4x-9}}{\frac{4-3x}{18-2x}} = \frac{3x}{4x-9} \cdot \frac{18-2x}{4-3x}$  which means this function has 3 denominators

$4x-9 \neq 0 \quad 18-2x \neq 0 \quad 4-3x \neq 0$

$x \neq \frac{9}{4} \quad x \neq 9 \quad x \neq \frac{4}{3}$

$D_F = (-\infty, \frac{4}{3}) \cup (\frac{4}{3}, \frac{9}{4}) \cup (\frac{9}{4}, 9) \cup (9, \infty)$

10.  $f(x) = \frac{-6x-8}{\sqrt{-4x+5}}$  Numerator has domain  $(-\infty, \infty)$

$-4x+5 \geq 0$

$x < \frac{5}{4}$

$D_F = (-\infty, \frac{5}{4})$

11.  $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{3-2x}}{\frac{x+9}{x-2x}}$  Similar to #9, except the numerator has a restricted domain.

$\sqrt{3-2x} \geq 0 \quad x+9 \neq 0 \quad x \neq 0 \quad -2x \neq 0$

$x \leq \frac{3}{2} \quad x \neq -9 \quad x \neq 0 \quad x \neq \frac{1}{2}$

$D_F = (-\infty, -9) \cup (-9, 0) \cup (0, \frac{1}{2}) \cup (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2})$

