

## Notes Section 5.5

Simplify.

1.  $3x(x^2 + 2x)$     2.  $\frac{14x}{-2x^7}$     3.  $\frac{x^3}{x^2 - x}$

$3x^4 + 6x^2$      $-\frac{7}{x^6}$      $\frac{x^3}{x-1}$

4.  $(ab)^4$     \*    5.  $(a+b)(a-6b)$     6.  $(x-7x+6)(x)$

$a^4b^4$      $a^2 - 5ab - 6b^2$

$-6x^2 + 6x$

Warm Up

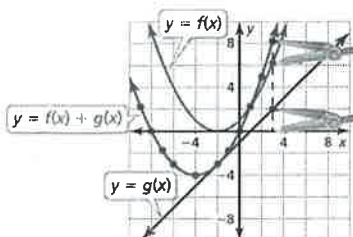
### Essential Question

How can you use the graphs of two functions to sketch the graph of an arithmetic combination of the two functions?

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**Work with a partner.** Use the graphs of  $f$  and  $g$  to sketch the graph of  $f + g$ . Explain your steps.

**Sample** Use a compass or a ruler to measure the distance from a point on the graph of  $g$  to the  $x$ -axis. Then add this distance to the point with the same  $x$ -coordinate on the graph of  $f$ . Plot the new point. Repeat this process for several points. Finally, draw a smooth curve through the new points to obtain the graph of  $f + g$ .



Exploration 1

Use - distributive property  
 - exponent property rules  
 - combine like terms.

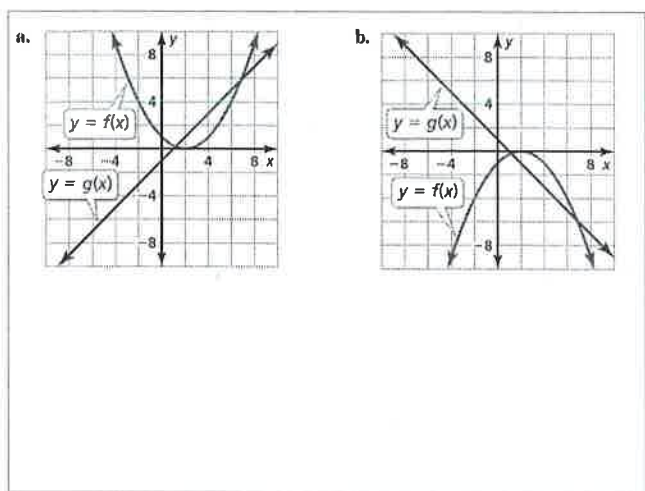
\* show each step

what you will learn:

\* add, subtract, multiply and divide functions.

Just as two real numbers can be combined by the operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to form other real numbers, two functions can be combined to form other functions.

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Exploration 1a-b

### Core Concept

#### Operations on Functions

Let  $f$  and  $g$  be any two functions. A new function can be defined by performing any of the four basic operations on  $f$  and  $g$ .

Operation	Definition	Example: $f(x) = 5x$ , $g(x) = x + 2$
Addition	$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$	$(f + g)(x) = 5x + (x + 2) = 6x + 2$
Subtraction	$(f - g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$	$(f - g)(x) = 5x - (x + 2) = 4x - 2$
Multiplication	$(fg)(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$	$(fg)(x) = 5x(x + 2) = 5x^2 + 10x$
Division	$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$	$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{5x}{x + 2}$

The domains of the sum, difference, product, and quotient functions consist of the  $x$ -values that are in the domains of both  $f$  and  $g$ . Additionally, the domain of the quotient does not include  $x$ -values for which  $g(x) = 0$ .

Core Concept

Let  $f(x) = 3\sqrt{x}$  and  $g(x) = -10\sqrt{x}$ . Find  $(f + g)(x)$  and state the domain. Then evaluate the sum when  $x = 4$ .

$$f(x) = 3\sqrt{x} \quad (f+g)(x)$$

$$g(x) = -10\sqrt{x} \quad 3\sqrt{x} + (-10\sqrt{x})$$

$$-7\sqrt{x}$$

evaluate the sum  
when  $x = 4$

$$(f+g)(4) = -7\sqrt{4} = -7 \cdot 2 = -14$$

Example 1

## additional graphs

\* Write equations for both graphs and then combine those graphs (add)

functions are stated as  
 $f(x) = f$  of  $x$   
 $g(x) = g$  of  $x$

Operations on functions has us adding, subtracting, multiplying or dividing functions together.

\* begin by combining the two functions  
 - combine like terms as needed

\* when given a sum for the variable - finish by substituting in the combined function and solving.

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Let  $f(x) = 3x^3 - 2x^2 + 5$  and  $g(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x - 2$ . Find  $(f - g)(x)$  and state the domain. Then evaluate the difference when  $x = -2$ .

$$(f - g)(x) = (3x^3 - 2x^2 + 5) - (x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x - 2)$$

$$= 3x^3 - 2x^2 + 5 - x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + 2$$

$$= 2x^3 + x^2 - 4x + 7$$

$$(f - g)(-2) = 2(-2)^3 + (-2)^2 - 4(-2) + 7$$

$$= 2(-8) + 4 + 8 + 7$$

$$= -16 + 12 + 7$$

$$= 3$$

Example 2

Let  $f(x) = x^2$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$ . Find  $(fg)(x)$  and state the domain. Then evaluate the product when  $x = 9$ .

$$(fg)(x) = x^2 \cdot \sqrt{x}$$

$$= x^2 \cdot x^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

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

$$= x^{5/2}$$

$$(fg)(9) = 9^{5/2} = (\sqrt{9})^5 = 3^5$$

$$= 243$$

Example 3

Let  $f(x) = 6x$  and  $g(x) = x^{1/4}$ . Find  $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$  and state the domain. Then evaluate the quotient when  $x = 16$ .

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) = \frac{6x}{x^{3/4}} = \frac{6x \cdot (\sqrt[4]{x})}{\sqrt[4]{x^3} \cdot (\sqrt[4]{x})}$$

$$= \frac{6x \sqrt[4]{x}}{x} = 6\sqrt[4]{x}$$

$$\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(16) = 6\sqrt[4]{16} = 6 \cdot 2 = 12$$

Example 4

\* Combine the two functions  
- follow rules for  
Combining like terms

\* Substitute the value  
for  $x$  into the combined  
function and solve.

\*\* Watch signs \*\*

### Multiplication

Combine both functions

\* all rules apply -  
especially exponent  
rules

Substitute given value for  
the variable.

### Division

\* you can either convert  
rational exponents to  
radical expressions or you  
can leave and work  
with rational exponents

\* Same rules are followed

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1. Let  $f(x) = -2x^{2/3}$  and  $g(x) = 7x^{2/3}$ . Find  $(f+g)(x)$  and  $(f-g)(x)$  and state the domain of each. Then evaluate  $(f+g)(8)$  and  $(f-g)(8)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}(f+g)(x) &= -2x^{2/3} + 7x^{2/3} = 5x^{2/3} \\ (f+g)(8) &= 5(8)^{2/3} = 5(2^2)^{2/3} \\ &= 5(2^2) \\ &= 5(4) = 20\end{aligned}$$

2. Let  $f(x) = 3x$  and  $g(x) = x^{1/5}$ . Find  $(fg)(x)$  and  $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$

and state the domain of each. Then evaluate  $(fg)(32)$  and  $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(32)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}(fg)(x) &= 3x \cdot x^{1/5} = 3x^{6/5} \\ \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x) &= \frac{3x}{x^{1/5}} = 3x^{4/5}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(fg)(32) &= 3(32)^{6/5} = 3(2^5)^{6/5} = 3(2^6) = 3(64) = 192 \\ \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(32) &= 3(32)^{4/5} = 3(2^4) = 3(16) = 48\end{aligned}$$

Monitoring Progress 1-2

Let  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{9-x^2}$ . Use a graphing calculator to evaluate

$(f+g)(x)$ ,  $(f-g)(x)$ ,  $(fg)(x)$  and  $\left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$  when  $x=2$ . Round your answers to two decimal places.

$$(f+g)(x) = \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{9-x^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(f-g)(x) &= -2x^{2/3} - 7x^{2/3} = -9x^{2/3} \\ (f-g)(8) &= -9(8)^{2/3} \\ &= -9(2^2)^{2/3} \\ &= -9(2^2) \\ &= -9(4) = -36\end{aligned}$$

To enter on a calculator:

- $y_1 =$
- $y_1 =$  enter function
- $y_2 =$  enter function
- go back to main screen
- Vars
- right arrow to y-vars
- Choose function (enter)
- Choose function  $y_1$  (enter)
- parenthesis (2)
- operation
- repeat for next value
- enter for answer

Example 5

For a white rhino, heart rate  $r$  (in beats per minute) and life span  $s$  (in minutes) are related to body mass  $m$  (in kilograms) by the functions

$$r(m) = 241m^{-0.25} \text{ and } s(m) = (6 \times 10^6)m^{0.2}$$

a. Find  $(rs)(m)$ .

b. Explain what  $(rs)(m)$  represents.

Example 6



