

## TOPIC: FUNCTION OPERATIONS

### Adding & Subtracting Functions

- We add & subtract functions *exactly* how we add & subtract polynomials. Simply combine like terms.

Adding & Subtracting Polynomials	Adding & Subtracting Functions
$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 4 \\ + (5x + 7) \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} f(x) = x^2 + 4 \\ g(x) = 5x + 7 \\ \hline f(x) + g(x) = \end{array}$

Note: You may also see  $f(x) + g(x)$  written as \_\_\_\_\_ and  $f(x) - g(x)$  written as \_\_\_\_\_.

- Domain of  $f + g$  or  $f - g$  is all the numbers that are \_\_\_\_\_ between the domains of  $f$  &  $g$  independently.

EXAMPLE: Given the functions,  $f(x) = x^2 + \frac{1}{x}$ ,  $g(x) = x^2 + x + 2$ ,  $h(x) = x + \sqrt{x - 8}$ , complete the following operations below. Determine the domain of each new function.

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

$$g(x) - h(x) =$$

Domain of  $f$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Domain of  $g$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Domain of  $g$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Domain of  $h$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Domain of  $(f + g)$ : \_\_\_\_\_

Domain of  $(g - h)$ : \_\_\_\_\_

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**PROBLEM:** If  $f(x) = \sqrt{x+4} + 30$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x+4} - 2x + 35$  complete the following operation below.  
Determine the domain of the new function.

**(A)**

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

**(B)**

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

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### Multiplying And Dividing Functions

- You may be asked to multiply or divide functions and find the \_\_\_\_\_ of the resulting function.

Multiplying Functions	Dividing Functions
$f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ <i>Dom:</i> [__, __] $g(x) = (3x - 6)$ <i>Dom:</i> (__, __)	$f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ <i>Dom:</i> [__, __] $g(x) = (3x - 6)$ <i>Dom:</i> [__, __]
$f(x) \cdot g(x) =$ <i>Dom:</i> [__, __]	$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} =$ <i>Dom:</i> [__, __) $\cup$ (__, __)
Domain: Set of numbers <u>common</u> to domains of $f$ & $g$	Domain: Set of numbers <u>common</u> to domains of $f$ & $g$ AND where $g(x) \neq \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

Note: You may also see  $f(x) \cdot g(x)$  written as \_\_\_\_\_ and  $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$  written as \_\_\_\_\_.

EXAMPLE: Given the functions,  $f(x) = x^2 - 4$ ,  $g(x) = x + 2$ , complete the following operations below, and determine the domain of the new function.

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

$$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} =$$

- Always determine the domain restrictions \_\_\_\_\_ simplifying the functions.

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PRACTICE: Given the functions  $h(x) = 2x^3 - 4$  and  $k(x) = x^2 + 2$ , find and fully simplify  $h \cdot k(x)$ .

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PRACTICE: Given the functions  $L(x) = x - 2$  and  $M(x) = x^2$ , calculate  $\frac{L}{M}(5)$ .