

Unit #1: Functions - practice exercises

#1) $f(x) = x^3 - 2x - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} f(-2) &= (-2)^3 - 2(-2) - 1 \\ &= -8 + 4 - 1 = \boxed{-5} \quad \text{(C)} \end{aligned}$$

#2) $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x^2+1}$ Domain $x^2+1=0$
 $x^2=-1$

not possible

thus, domain is all reals

since the denominator can't equal 0.

(E)

#3) $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x-2}}{x^2-x} = \frac{\sqrt{x-2}}{x(x-1)} = 0$ $\boxed{\begin{matrix} x(x-1)=0 \\ x \neq 0 \quad x \neq 1 \end{matrix}}$

and $\sqrt{x-2} \geq 0$

$$x-2 \geq 0$$

$$x \geq 2$$

since $x \geq 2$ and $x \neq 0$ and $x \neq 1$

only need $\boxed{x \geq 2}$ (D)

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

$$g(\quad) = \boxed{2} \quad \textcircled{E}$$

$$\#5) f(g(x)) = f(2) = 2^3 - 3 \cdot 2^2 - 2(2) + 5$$

$$= 8 - 12 - 4 + 5$$

$$= 13 - 16 = \boxed{-3} \quad \textcircled{D}$$

$$\#6) f(x) = x^3 + Ax^2 + Bx - 3 \quad f(1) = 4 \quad f(-1) = -4$$

$$f(1) = 1^3 + A(1)^2 + B(1) - 3 = 4$$

$$1 + A + B - 3 = 4$$

$$A + B - 2 = 4$$

$$A + B = 6$$

$$f(-1) = (-1)^3 + A(-1)^2 + B(-1) - 3 = -4$$

$$-1 + A - B - 3 = -4$$

$$A - B - 4 = -4$$

$$A - B = 0$$

$$A + B = 6$$

$$A - B = 0$$

$$\hline$$

$$2A = 6$$

$$\boxed{A = 3}$$

$$A + B = 6$$

$$3 + B = 6$$

$$\boxed{B = 3}$$

$$2A + B = 2(3) + 3 = 6 + 3 = \boxed{9}$$

$$\textcircled{B}$$

#7) odd function \rightarrow symmetric to origin
 $f(-x) = -f(x)$

~~A) $f(-x) = \frac{-x-1}{-x} = \frac{x+1}{x} \neq -f(x)$~~

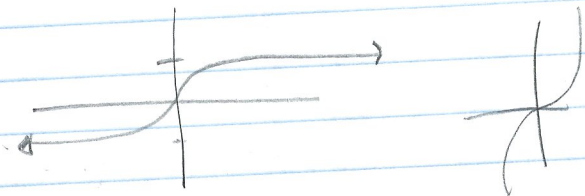
~~B) $f(-x) = 2(-x)^4 + 1 = 2x^4 + 1 \neq -f(x)$~~

C) $f(-x) = (-x)^3 + 2(-x) = -x^3 - 2x = -(x^3 + 2x) = -f(x)$

ex: $y = \sin x$ symmetric but not one-to-one **C**

#8) **C** In order for g to have an inverse, it must be one-to-one. A function that is increasing/decreasing is one-to-one, thus has an inverse. *ax+bi is a function*

#9) $f(x) = \sin(\arctan x) \tan^{-1}$
 $\sin x$ \leftarrow $\arctan x$
 $-\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$



Since the range of any sin function is between -1 and 1 no matter what you plug in the range will still be the same

Since $\tan = \frac{y}{x}$ we can use the points $(0,1)$ and $(0,-1)$

Since $x \neq 0$.

$\sin \frac{\pi}{2} < \sin \tan^{-1} x < \sin \frac{\pi}{2}$



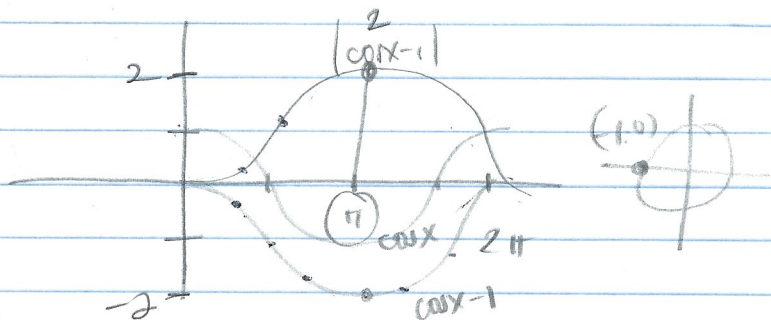
B $|y| - 1 < y < 1$

$-1 < \sin(\tan^{-1} x) < 1$

#10) $g(x) = |\cos x - 1|$

(E) π

Chart



$$|\cos x - 1| = 2$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \cos x - 1 = 2 \\ \cos x = 3 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \cos x - 1 = -2 \\ \cos x = -1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \cos x - 1 = -2 \\ \cos x = -1 \\ \cos(\pi) = -1 \end{array}$$

#11) odd means $f(-x) = -f(x)$

~~a)~~ $\sin(-x) = -\sin x = -f(x)$

~~b)~~ $\sin 2x = \sin(2)(-x) = \sin(-2x) = -\sin 2x = -f(x)$

(c) $x^3 + 1 = (-x)^3 + 1 = -x^3 + 1 \neq -f(x)$

(c)

#12) roots of equation $f(x) = 0$ are 1, and -2

$$(x-1)(x+2)$$

$$f(2x) = x^2 + x - 2 = (2x)^2 + 2x - 2$$

$$4x^2 + 2x - 2 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x \quad 2x \quad -2 \\ 1 \quad 2 \quad -1 \\ \hline \quad \quad \quad 1 \end{array}$$

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

$$2(x+1)(2x-1) = 0$$

$$x = -1 \quad x = \frac{1}{2}$$

(B)

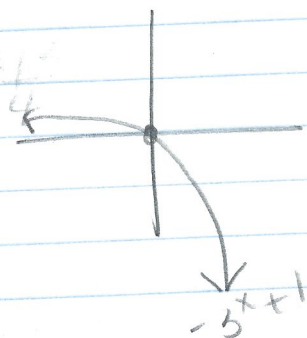
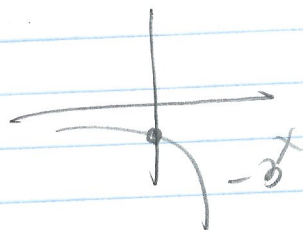
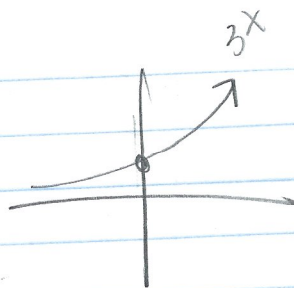
#13) $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 + 4x = 0$
 $x(x^2 + 4x + 4)$

$$\begin{array}{c} 4 \\ \times \\ 2 \quad 2 \\ \hline 4 \end{array}$$

$$x(x+2)^2 = 0$$

$$x=0, x=-2$$

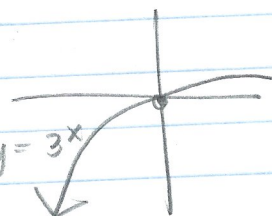
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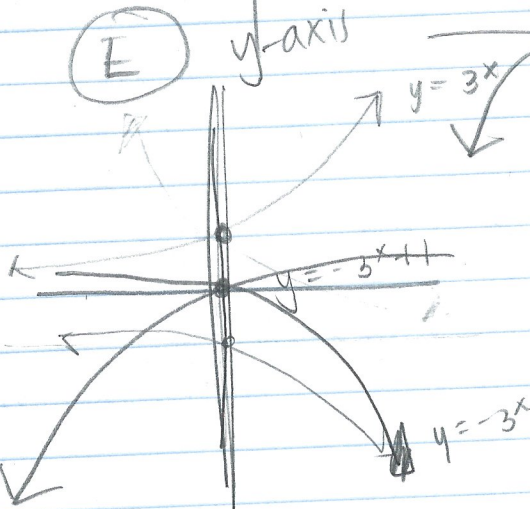
#14) $y = x + 2$ and $y^2 = 4x$
 solve the system

$$\begin{aligned} y^2 &= 4x \\ (x+2)^2 &= 4x \\ x^2 + 4x + 4 &= 4x \\ x^2 + 4 &= 0 \\ \sqrt{x^2} &= \sqrt{4} \\ \text{not possible} \end{aligned}$$

(E)



#15) $f(x) = 1 - 3^x$
 $= -3^x + 1$
 reflect x-axis
 shift up 2



want the same
 but reflect
 the y-axis

$y = 3^{-x}$ reflect y-axis

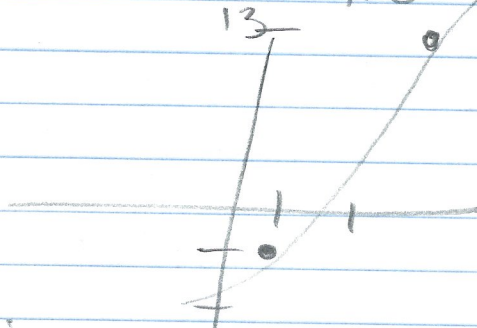
so $y = -3^{-x} + 1$ (A)

#16) $f(g(x)) = \boxed{X}$ (B)
 if f and g are inverses

#17) $f(x) = 2x^3 + x - 5$

x	y
-2	
-1	-8
0	-5
1	-1
2	13

Since $f(1) = -1$ and $f(2) = 13$
 and also since the function



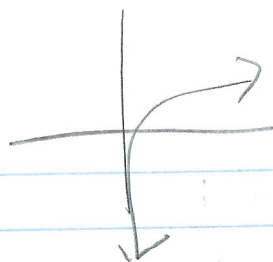
is continuous, it must cross the x-axis
 thus giving us a root since $f(1) = -1$
 and $f(2) = 13$ positive
 it must cross between $\boxed{1 \text{ and } 2}$

(D)

#18) $f(x) = \sin \frac{2\pi}{3} x$

period = $\frac{2\pi}{k} = \frac{2\pi}{\frac{2\pi}{3}} = \cancel{2\pi} \cdot \frac{3}{\cancel{2\pi}} = \boxed{3}$ (D)

$$\#19) y = \ln(\cos x)$$



since the range of $\cos x$ is $-1 \leq \cos x \leq 1$

now every the domain of \ln must be positive
thus $\ln x$ where $x > 0$

thus the domain for the graph is
 $0 < \cos x \leq 1$

$$\text{so } \ln 0 < \ln(\cos x) \leq \ln 1$$

$$-\infty < \ln(\cos x) \leq 0$$

so range is $(-\infty, 0]$ or $[-\infty < y \leq 0]$ (A)

$$\#20) \log_b(3^b) = \frac{b}{2}$$

we can write $\frac{b}{b} \log_b 3 = \frac{b}{2} \frac{1}{b}$

$$\log_b 3 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$b^{\frac{1}{2}} = 3$$

$$\sqrt{b} = 3^2$$

$$\boxed{b=9} \quad (E)$$

#21) $f(x) = x^3 + 2$ Find $f^{-1}(x)$

$y = x^3 + 2$
Switch x and y

$x = y^3 + 2$
Solve for y again (11)

$\sqrt[3]{y^3} = \sqrt[3]{x-2}$

$y = \sqrt[3]{x-2}$ $f^{-1}(x) = \boxed{\sqrt[3]{x-2}}$ (E)

#22) $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x-2} - \frac{x+2}{x-2} = 0$

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

$x = -1, 1, 2$ (D)

#23) domain $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ $f(x) = e^{\tan x}$

since $-\frac{\pi}{2} < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$

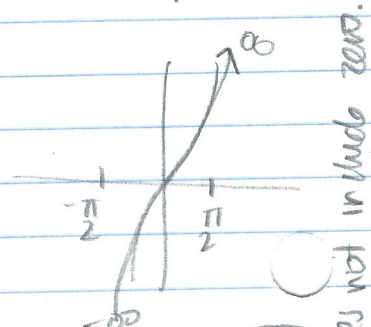
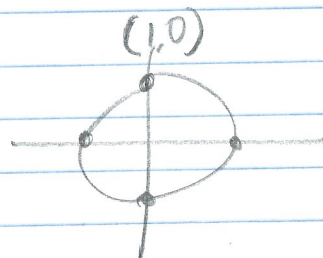
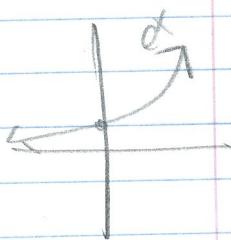
$\tan -\frac{\pi}{2} < \tan x < \tan \frac{\pi}{2}$

$-\infty < \tan x < \infty$

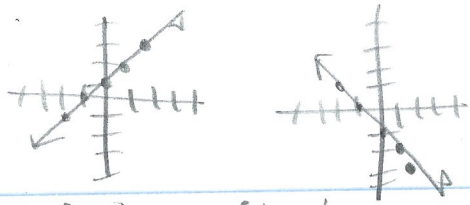
$e^{-\infty} < e^{\tan x} < e^{\infty}$

$0 < e^{\tan x} < \infty$, Thus

$0 < y < \infty$ (B)



does not include zero.



#24) $y=f(x)$ reflection in x-axis

x opposite & y-coordinate

(A) $y = -f(x)$

change the sign of y-coordinate reflecting over x-axis.

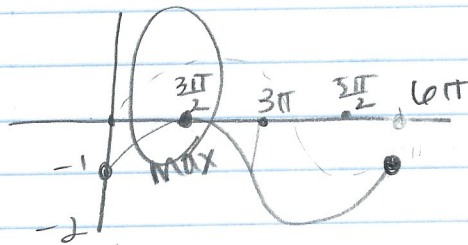
$y = x + 1$

x	y	x	y
2	3	2	-3
1	2	1	-2
0	1	0	-1
-1	0	-1	0
-2	-1	-2	1

#25) $f(x) = \sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) - 1$

period = $\frac{2\pi}{k} = \frac{2\pi}{\frac{1}{3}}$

$= 2\pi \cdot 3 = 6\pi$



$\sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) - 1 = 0$

$\sin\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) = 1$

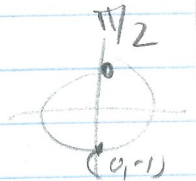
$\therefore \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1$

$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1$

$\frac{x}{3} = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$x = \frac{3\pi}{2}$

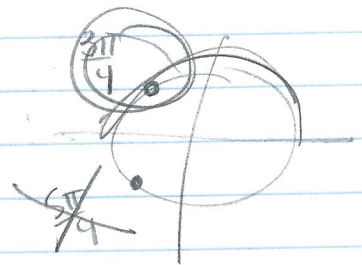
$\frac{3\pi}{2}$ (C)



#26) $\tan(\arccos\left(\frac{-\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)) =$

$\tan(\arccos\left(\frac{-\sqrt{2}}{2}\right))$

range of $0 \leq y < \pi$



where does $\cos \square = \frac{-\sqrt{2}}{2}$

$\tan\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{y}{x} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{-\sqrt{2}} = -1$

$\left(\frac{-\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$

-1 (A)

#27) If $f(x) = 2e^{-x}$

$y = 2e^{-x}$
switch
x and y

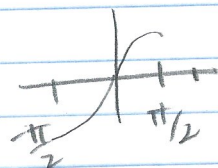
$\frac{x}{2} = \frac{2}{2}e^{-y}$ solve for y

$\ln \frac{x}{2} = \ln e^{-y}$

$\ln \frac{x}{2} = -y$

$y = -\ln \frac{x}{2} = \ln \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{-1}$

$f^{-1}(x) = \ln \left(\frac{2}{x}\right)$ (A)



#28) To have an inverse, the function must be one-to-one.

(C) $\frac{x}{x^2+1} = \frac{1}{4}$ → each x has one matching value of y.

$\frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16-4(1)(1)}}{2(1)}$

$\frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16-4}}{2}$

$\frac{4 \pm \sqrt{12}}{2}$

$4 \pm 2\sqrt{3} = 2 \pm \sqrt{3}$

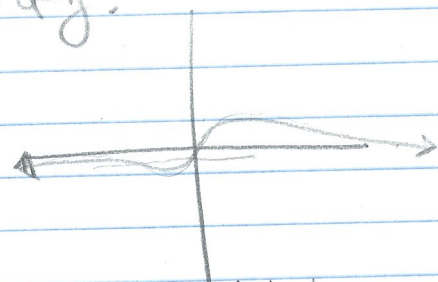
$x^2+1=4x$

$x^2-4x+1=0$

solve we would get 2

answer for x

thus not one-to-one



horizontal line

test fails

#29) $f(x) = \ln x$ $g(x) = 9 - x^2$

$f(g(x))$

$\ln(9 - x^2)$

Since the domain for $\ln x$ is $x > 0$

thus $9 - x^2 > 0$
 $(3 - x)(3 + x) > 0$
 $x = 3$ $x = -3$

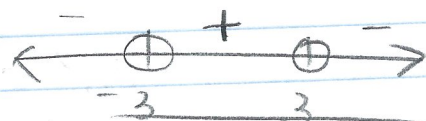
$x < 3$

$x > -3$

$-3 < x < 3$

(D)

$|x| < 3$

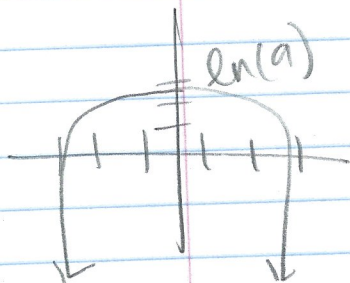
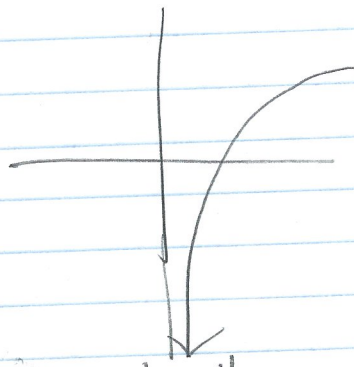


$-3 < x < 3$

#30)

Since the domain is $\ln(9 - x^2)$

is $-3 < x < 3$



x	y
-3	$\ln 0 = -\infty$
0	$\ln 9$
3	$\ln 0 = -\infty$

biggest #

thus $\ln(9 - x^2)$ will have a range of every # less than $\ln 9$

$y < \ln 9$

(C)

$$\#31) \quad x(t) = t^2 + 3 \quad y(t) = t^2 + 4$$

$$x = t^2 + 3$$

$$y = t^2 + 4$$

↓

$$t^2 = x - 3$$

↑ plug into

$$y = (x - 3) + 4$$

$$\boxed{y = x + 1} \quad \text{a line } \textcircled{A}$$

$$\#32) \quad x(t) = \cos^2(t) \quad y(t) = 2\sin t$$

$$x = \cos^2(t) \quad y = 2\sin t$$

$$x = \cos^2(t) \quad \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2 = \sin^2 t$$

$$x = \cos^2(t) \quad \frac{y^2}{4} = \sin^2 t$$

since

$$\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t = 1$$

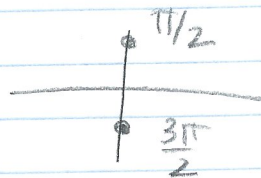
$$\left(x + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1\right) \cdot 4$$

$$\boxed{4x + y^2 = 4}$$

\textcircled{D}

#33) $r = 2 \cos(5\theta)$ origin when $r = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \cos(5\theta) &= 0 \\ \cos(5\theta) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



$$5\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ and } \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

$$5\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

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$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{10} \quad \text{D}$$

$$\theta = \frac{3\pi}{10}$$

Smaller

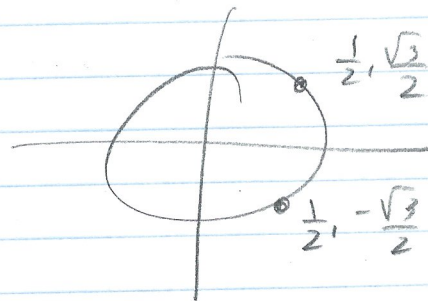
#34) $r = 3$ and $r = 2 + 2 \cos \theta$

intersect = set them equal

$$2 + 2 \cos \theta = 3$$

$$2 \cos \theta = 1$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$



$$\theta \in [0, \pi] \quad \theta = \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ and } \frac{5\pi}{3}$$

C

$$\#35) r = \theta - 2\cos\theta$$

we know that

$$x = r\cos\theta \quad \text{and} \quad y = r\sin\theta$$

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$$2 = r\cos\theta$$

$$2 = (\theta - 2\cos\theta)\cos\theta \longrightarrow \text{solve by calc}$$

$$\theta = 5.201$$

$$y = 2$$
$$y = \cos\theta(\theta - 2\cos\theta)$$

where

they intersect

$$\text{on } [0, 2\pi]$$
$$[0, 6.28]$$

thus plug into

$$y = r\sin\theta$$

↓

$$y = (\theta - 2\cos\theta)\sin\theta$$

$$[5.201 - 2\cos(5.201)]\sin(5.201) \text{ by calc}$$

$$\boxed{y = -3.763} \quad (\text{B})$$