

# Composition of Functions Notes

Inverse  $(x, y)$

$$f \circ g: g \rightarrow f \quad g \circ f: f \rightarrow g$$

For each pair of functions, find  $f \circ g$  and  $g \circ f$ , if they exist.

1.  $f = \{(-9, -1), (-1, 0), (3, 4)\}$

$g = \{(0, -9), (-1, 3), (4, -1)\}$

$f \circ g = \{(0, -1), (-1, 4), (4, 0)\}$   $D = \{-1, 0, 4\}$   $R = \{-1, 0, 4\}$

$g \circ f = \{(-9, 3), (-1, -9), (3, -1)\}$

2.  $f = \{(-4, 3), (0, -2), (1, -2)\}$

$g = \{(-2, 0), (3, 1)\}$

3.  $f = \{(-4, -5), (0, 3), (1, 6)\}$

$g = \{(6, 1), (-5, 0), (3, -4)\}$

4.  $f = \{(0, -3), (1, -3), (6, 8)\}$

$g = \{(8, 2), (3, 0), (-3, 1)\}$

Find  $[g \circ h](x)$  and  $[h \circ g](x)$ , if they exist.

5.  $g(x) = 3x$

$h(x) = x - 4$

$(g \circ h)(x) = 3(x - 4)$   
 $= 3x - 12$

$(h \circ g)(x) = 3x - 4$

6.  $g(x) = x + 6$

$h(x) = 3x^2$

7.  $g(x) = -2x$

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

$(g \circ h)(x) = -2(x^2 + 3x + 2)$   
 $= -2x^2 - 6x - 4$

$(h \circ g)(x) = (-2x)^2 + 3(-2x) + 2$   
 $= 4x^2 - 6x + 2$

If  $f(x) = x^2$ ,  $g(x) = 5x$ , and  $h(x) = x + 4$ , find each value.

8.  $f[g(1)]$

$g(1) = 5(1) = 5$

$f(5) = 5^2 = 25$

9.  $g[h(-2)]$

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

$g(2) = 5(2) = 10$

10.  $h[f(4)]$

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