

1. Suppose $f(x) = x^2 + 1$. Find $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$ and simplify by canceling the factor of h .

$$f(x+h) = (x+h)^2 + 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} &= \frac{(x+h)^2 + 1 - (x^2 + 1)}{h} \\ &= \frac{\cancel{x^2} + 2xh + \cancel{h^2} + 1 - \cancel{x^2} - \cancel{1}}{h} \\ &= \frac{2xh + h^2}{h} \\ &= \boxed{2x + h} \end{aligned}$$

2. Suppose $f(x) = \begin{cases} -5 & \text{if } x < -1 \\ x^2 + 1 & \text{if } -1 \leq x < 2 \\ 2 - x & \text{if } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$

a) Find $f(1)$.

$$f(1) = 1^2 + 1 = \boxed{2}$$

b) Find $f(2)$.

$$f(2) = 2 - 2 = \boxed{0}$$

c) Find $f(-2)$.

$$f(-2) = \boxed{-5}$$

d) Find the domain of f .

$$\boxed{(-\infty, \infty)} \quad (\text{OR } \boxed{\mathbb{R}})$$

3. Find the domain of $f(x) = \frac{x^4}{x^2 + x - 6}$.

$$\text{Need } x^2 + x - 6 \neq 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-2) \neq 0$$

$$x \neq -3 \text{ and } x \neq 2$$

$$\text{Domain: } \boxed{\{x \mid x \neq -3 \text{ and } x \neq 2\}}$$

$$(\text{OR } (-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, 2) \cup (2, \infty))$$

4. Suppose $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{3-x}}{x^2-2x}$.

a) Find $f(-1), f(0), f(1), f(2), f(3), f(4)$.

$$f(-1) = \frac{\sqrt{3-(-1)}}{(-1)^2-2(-1)} = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{1+2} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$f(0) = \frac{\sqrt{3-0}}{0^2-2(0)} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{0} \quad \boxed{\text{undefined}}$$

$$f(1) = \frac{\sqrt{3-1}}{1^2-2(1)} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{1-2} = \boxed{-\sqrt{2}}$$

$$f(2) = \frac{\sqrt{3-2}}{2^2-2(2)} = \frac{\sqrt{1}}{4-4} = \frac{1}{0} \quad \boxed{\text{undefined}}$$

$$f(3) = \frac{\sqrt{3-3}}{3^2-2(3)} = \frac{\sqrt{0}}{9-6} = \frac{0}{3} = \boxed{0}$$

$$f(4) = \frac{\sqrt{3-4}}{4^2-2(4)} = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{16-8} \quad \boxed{\text{undefined}}$$

b) Find the domain of f .

$$\text{Need } 3-x \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x^2-2x \neq 0$$

$$3 \geq x \quad \text{and} \quad x(x-2) \neq 0$$

$$x \leq 3 \quad \text{and} \quad x \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x \neq 2$$

$$\text{Domain: } \boxed{\{x \mid x \leq 3 \text{ and } x \neq 0 \text{ and } x \neq 2\}}$$

$$(\text{OR } (-\infty, 0) \cup (0, 2) \cup (2, 3])$$

6. Suppose $f(x) = x^2 + x$.

a) Find $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$ and simplify by canceling the factor of h .

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

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} &= \frac{(x+h)^2 + (x+h) - (x^2+x)}{h} \\ &= \frac{\cancel{x^2} + 2xh + h^2 + \cancel{x} + h - \cancel{x^2} - \cancel{x}}{h} \\ &= \frac{2xh + h^2 + h}{h} = \boxed{2x+h+1} \end{aligned}$$

b) Find the domain of f .

$$\boxed{(-\infty, \infty)}$$

(or \mathbb{R})

↑ all real numbers

8. Suppose $f(x) = \frac{2}{x+1}$.

a) Find $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$ and simplify by canceling the factor of h .

$$f(x+h) = \frac{2}{x+h+1}$$

$$\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} = \frac{\left(\frac{2}{x+h+1} - \frac{2}{x+1}\right) \cdot (x+h+1)(x+1)}{(h) \cdot (x+h+1)(x+1)}$$

← LCD: $(x+h+1)(x+1)$

$$= \frac{2(x+1) - 2(x+h+1)}{h(x+h+1)(x+1)}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{2x} + 2 - \cancel{2x} - 2h - 2}{h(x+h+1)(x+1)}$$

$$= \frac{-2h}{h(x+h+1)(x+1)} = \boxed{\frac{-2}{(x+h+1)(x+1)}}$$

b) Find the domain of f .

$$\boxed{\{x \mid x \neq -1\}}$$

(OR $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, \infty)$)

10. Suppose $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } x < -1 \\ \sqrt[3]{x} & \text{if } x > -1 \end{cases}$

a) Find $f(-2)$, $f(-1)$, $f(-\frac{1}{8})$, $f(0)$, $f(27)$.

$$f(-2) = \frac{1}{-2} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$f(-1) = \boxed{\text{undefined}}$$

$$f(-\frac{1}{8}) = \sqrt[3]{-\frac{1}{8}} = \boxed{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$f(0) = \sqrt[3]{0} = \boxed{0}$$

$$f(27) = \sqrt[3]{27} = \boxed{3}$$

b) Find the domain of f .

$$\boxed{\{x \mid x \neq -1\}}$$

(OR $(-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, \infty)$)