

1. **(3 points)** Identify the domain of the following functions:

(a) **(3 points)** $f(x) = \frac{4x}{x+2}$.

Division by zero is impossible, so it must be the case that $x + 2 \neq 0$; thus the function is defined only when $x \neq -2$. The domain could alternatively be given as $(-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, \infty)$.

(b) **(3 points)** $g(t) = \sqrt{t-3}$.

The square root of a negative number is problematic, so in order for this function to be evaluatable, it must be the case that $t - 3 \geq 0$, so the function is defined only when $t \geq 3$, which could alternatively be stated in interval notation as $[3, \infty)$

2. **(7 points)** For $f(x) = 2x^2$ and $g(x) = \frac{1}{3x+1}$, determine $f(g(x))$ and $g(f(x))$.

$$f(g(x)) = f\left(\frac{1}{3x+1}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{3x+1}\right)^2 = \frac{2}{(3x+1)^2}$$

$$g(f(x)) = g(2x^2) = \frac{1}{3(2x^2)+1} = \frac{1}{6x^2+1}$$

The last step in each of the above calculations is for simplification and aesthetic purposes and need not be included.

3. **(7 points)** Yoyodyne Industries' daily revenue is a linear function of the number of workers they have. When they have 50 employees, they make \$40000 daily; when they have 100 employees, their daily revenue is \$50000.

- (a) **(6 points)** Find the daily revenue as a function $f(x)$ of the number of workers x .

We know the revenue is a linear function of the number of workers, so $f(x) = mx + b$ for some constants m and b . We also know the revenue when there are 50 and 100 workers; specifically, it follows that $f(50) = 40000$ and $f(100) = 50000$. Evaluating the linear expression for each of these, we have two equations in m and b :

$$\begin{cases} 40000 = f(50) = m(50) + b \\ 50000 = f(100) = m(100) + b \end{cases}$$

The easiest way to find m is to subtract the former equation from the latter, giving $10000 = 50m$, so $m = \frac{10000}{50} = 200$. To find b , we simply substitute our known value of m into the equation $40000 = m(50) + b$, so $40000 = 200(50) + b$ and thus $b = 40000 - 200 \cdot 50 = 30000$. Thus the function sought is $f(x) = 200x + 30000$.

- (b) **(1 point)** What would their daily revenue be if they employed 60 people?

This quantity is $f(60) = 200(60) + 30000 = 42000$.

- (c) **(2 point bonus)** Construct a function $g(x)$ describing per-worker revenue as a function of the number of workers x .

We know the total revenue is $f(x) = 200x + 30000$. To determine revenue per worker, one would divide the total revenue by the number of workers, which is, by our statements throughout this problem, established to be simply x . Thus, the per-worker revenue is $g(x) = \frac{f(x)}{x} = \frac{200x+30000}{x} = 200 + \frac{30000}{x}$.