# Products and Quotients of Functions.

Lesson 10

## Products of Functions.

We can create new functions by performing the operations of multiplication and division on other functions.

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

Example 1. Determine the product of two functions.  $h(x) = (f \cdot g)(x)$ 

Consider the functions 
$$f(x) = x + 2$$
 and  $g(x) = 2x - 3$ 

a. Multiply f(x) and g(x) to determine the equation of function

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

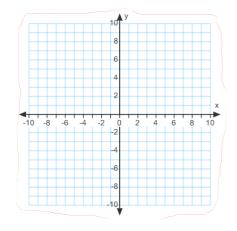
$$h(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$$

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

$$h(x) = 2x^2 + x - 6$$

b. Sketch the graphs of f(x), g(x) and h(x) on the same grid.

Table of values:



<i>x</i>	f(x)	g(x)	h(x)
-2			
−2 −1			
$-\frac{1}{4}$			
0			
1			
2			

c. State the domain and range of h(x)

#### Let's Try

Determine the product of the two functions, and the domain of the product.

Consider the functions f(x) = x - 2 and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x - 1}$ 

a. Multiply f(x) and g(x) to determine the equation of function

$$h(x) = (f \bullet g)(x)$$

State the domain of h(x)

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

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

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

$$h(x) =$$

b. Sketch the graphs of f(x), g(x) and h(x) on the same grid.

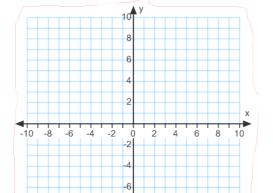


Table of values:

<i>X</i>	f(x)	g(x)	h(x)
-2			
−2 −1			
0			
1			
2			
3			
2 3 4 5			
5			

- c. State the domain and range of f(x), g(x) and h(x)
- d. What do you notice about the domain of the product of function relative to the domains of the original functions?

#### Your Turn

Determine the product of the two functions.

Consider the functions  $f(x) = (x+2)^2 - 5$  and g(x) = 3x - 4

a. Multiply f(x) and g(x) to determine the equation of function  $h(x) = (f \cdot g)(x)$ 

$$h(x) = ((x+2)^2 - 5)(3x-4)$$

$$h(x) = (x^2 + 4x - 1)(3x - 4)$$

$$h(x) =$$

- b. State the domain and range of f(x), g(x) and h(x)
- c. What do you notice about the domain of the product of function relative to the domains of the original functions?

### Determine the Quotient of Two Functions.

Example 2: Consider the functions  $f(x) = x^2 + x - 6$  and g(x) = 2x + 6.

a. Determine the equation of the function  $h(x) = \left(\frac{g}{f}\right)(x)$ 

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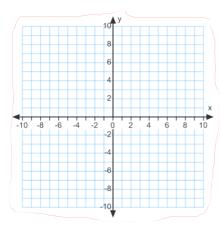
$$h(x) = \frac{g(x)}{f(x)}$$

$$h(x) = \frac{2x+6}{x^2 + x - 6}$$

State any restrictions on the variable

$$h(x) =$$

b. Graph the functions f(x), g(x) and h(x) on the same grid



<i>x</i>	f(x)	g(x)	h(x)
-2			
−2 −1			
0			
1			
2			

Compare the domains of f(x), g(x) and h(x)

Estimate the range of h(x)

Your Turn: Let f(x) = x + 2 and  $g(x) = x^2 + 9x + 14$ 

a. Determine the equation of the function  $h(x) = \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$ 

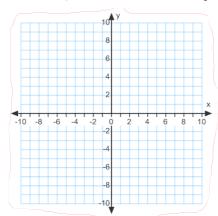
$$h(x) = \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)(x)$$

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

$$h(x) = \frac{x+2}{x^2 + 9x + 14}$$
 State any restrictions on the variable

$$h(x) =$$

b. Graph the functions f(x), g(x) and h(x) on the same grid



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-2			
-1			
0			
1			
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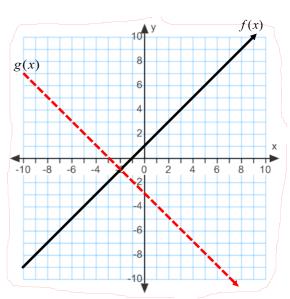
Compare the domains of f(x), g(x) and h(x)

Estimate the range of h(x)

Example 3: Determine the combined function graph given the graphs of f(x) and g(x) .

Sketch the graph of  $h(x) = (f \cdot g)(x)$  given the graphs of f(x) and g(x).

_	Х	f(x)	g(x)	$h(x) = (f \bullet g)(x)$
•	-4			
	-3			
	-2			
	-1			
	0			
	1			
	2			
	3			



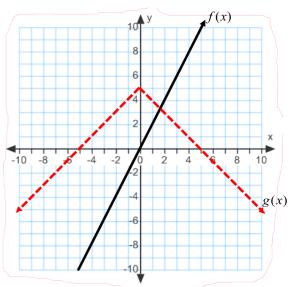
Determine the equation of h(x)

State the domain and range of h(x)

Your Turn: Determine the combined function graph given the graphs of f(x) and g(x) .

Sketch the graph of  $h(x) = (f \cdot g)(x)$  given the graphs of f(x) and g(x) .

X	f(x)	g(x)	$h(x) = (f \cdot g)(x)$
-4			
-3			
-2			
-1			
0			
1			
2			
3			



Determine the domain of h(x)

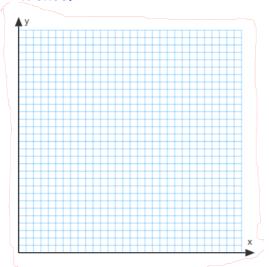
Analyse the graph of h(x)

#### Example 4: Modeling Using The Product of Functions

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A fish farm plans to expand. The fish population, P, in hundreds of thousands, as a function of time, t, in years, can be modeled by the function  $P(t) = 6(1.03)^t$ . The farm biologists use the function F(t) = 8 + 0.04t, where F is the amount of food, in units, that can sustain the fish population for 1 year. One unit can sustain 1 fish for 1 year.

a. Graph P(t) and F(t) on the same set of axes and describe the trends.



b. The amount of food per fish can be calculated using

Graph 
$$y = \frac{F(t)}{P(t)}$$
 on a different set of axes.

Identify a suitable window setting for your graph.

- c. State any restrictions on the variable. Why should these values not be considered?
- d. At what time is food production per capita a maximum?



- 1. Text Pages 496 498, Exercises # 1 8, 11d, 16, 17, C3
- 2. Handout BLM 10-3: "Products and Quotients of Functions".

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