

**13.** Determine the domain and range of the following rational functions.

a)  $y = \frac{3x+2}{x-5}$

$\text{dom} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{5\}, \text{ran } f = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{3\}$

b)  $y = \frac{-2x+4}{3x-6}$


$\text{dom} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\}, \text{ran } f = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{-\frac{2}{3}\right\}$

c)  $y = \frac{5x+4}{2x-3}$

$\text{dom} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{\frac{3}{2}\right\}, \text{ran } f = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{\frac{5}{2}\right\}$

**14.** Determine the zero (if it exists) and the initial value (if it exists) of the following functions.

a)  $y = \frac{3x-2}{x-4}$

Zero:  $\frac{2}{3}$ , i.v.: 

b)  $y = \frac{-5x+10}{2x-5}$

Zero: 2, i.v.: -2 ✓

c)  $y = \frac{-2x-6}{4x}$

Zero: -3, i.v.: does not exist ✓

**15.** Determine over which interval the following functions are positive.

a)  $y = \frac{4x+2}{x-3}$

$f(x) \geq 0$  over  $\left[-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}\right] \cup [3, +\infty[$

b)  $y = \frac{-2x+8}{4x-2}$

$f(x) \geq 0$  over  $\left[\frac{1}{2}, 4\right]$

**16.** Study the variation of the following functions.

a)  $y = \frac{-4x+9}{x-3}$

$f \nearrow$  over  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{3\}$

b)  $y = \frac{2x+5}{3x-2}$

$f \searrow$  over  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{\frac{2}{3}\right\}$

**17.** Write the rule of the following rational functions in general form.

a)  $y = \frac{3}{2(x-1)} + 4$   $y = \frac{8x-5}{2x-2}$

b)  $y = \frac{-2}{5(x-3)} - 1$   $y = \frac{-5x+13}{5x-15}$

**18.** Write the rule of the following rational functions in standard form.

a)  $y = \frac{3x+2}{x-3}$

$y = \frac{11}{x-3} + 3$

b)  $y = \frac{4x+3}{2x-6}$

$y = \frac{15}{2(x-3)} + 2$

c)  $y = \frac{-2x+5}{3x+4}$

$y = \frac{23}{9\left(x+\frac{4}{3}\right)} - \frac{2}{3}$

**19.** Consider the rational functions  $f(x) = \frac{2x+3}{x-4}$  and  $g(x) = \frac{3x+5}{x+3}$ .

a) Determine the rule of the composite

$$1. \ g \circ f(x) = \frac{y = \frac{11x-11}{5x-9}}{\quad} \quad 2. \ f \circ g(x) = \frac{y = \frac{9x+19}{-x-7}}{\quad}$$

b) What can you say about the composition of a rational function with a rational function?

The composition of a rational function with a rational function is also a rational function.

**20.** Consider the rational function  $y = \frac{5x+4}{x-3}$  (general form).

Justify the steps which enable you to determine the rule of the inverse  $f^{-1}$ .

1. Isolate  $x$  in the equation  $y = \frac{5x+4}{x-3}$ .

$$y(x-3) = 5x+4 \quad \text{Cross products are equal.}$$

$$xy - 3y = 5x + 4 \quad \text{Distributive property of multiplication over subtraction.}$$

$$xy - 5x = 3y + 4 \quad \text{Subtract } 5x \text{ and add } 3y \text{ to each side.}$$

$$x(y-5) = 3y+4 \quad \text{Factor out } x \text{ on the left side.}$$

$$x = \frac{3y+4}{y-5} \quad \text{Isolate the variable } x.$$

2. Switch the letters  $x$  and  $y$  to obtain the rule of the inverse.

$$\text{We get: } y = \frac{3x+4}{x-5}.$$

**21.** Consider the rational function  $f(x) = \frac{3x-2}{2x+5}$ .

a) Determine the rule of the inverse  $f^{-1}$ .

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{-5x-2}{2x-3}$$

b) Verify that

$$1. \ f \circ f^{-1}(x) = x$$

$$2. \ f^{-1} \circ f(x) = x$$

**22.** Consider the rational function  $f(x) = \frac{-2x+3}{4x+1}$ .

a) Determine the domain and range of  $f$ .  $\text{dom } f = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{-\frac{1}{4}\right\}, \text{ran } f = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{-\frac{1}{2}\right\}$

b) Determine the rule of the inverse  $f^{-1}$ .  $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{-x+3}{4x+2}$

c) Determine the domain and range of the inverse  $f^{-1}$  and verify that  $\text{dom } f^{-1} = \text{ran } f$  and  $\text{ran } f^{-1} = \text{dom } f$ .

$$\text{dom } f^{-1} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{-\frac{1}{2}\right\}, \text{ran } f^{-1} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{-\frac{1}{4}\right\}$$