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**NO CALCULATORS PERMITTED.**

**EXAM TIME IS 50 MINUTES.**

**THE EXAM CONSISTS OF 5 QUESTIONS.**

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1. Solve the following inequality. Express your answer as an interval.

$$\frac{x-1}{x+1} > 0$$

	$x < -1$	$-1 < x < 1$	$1 < x$
$x-1$	-	-	+
$x+1$	-	+	+
$\frac{x-1}{x+1}$	+	-	+

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-1}{x+1} > 0 \text{ for } x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

2. Give an example of two functions  $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ , where  $X$  is a set you may choose, such that

$$f \circ g \neq g \circ f \quad (1)$$

Take  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad f(x) = 2x$

$$g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad g(x) = x+1$$

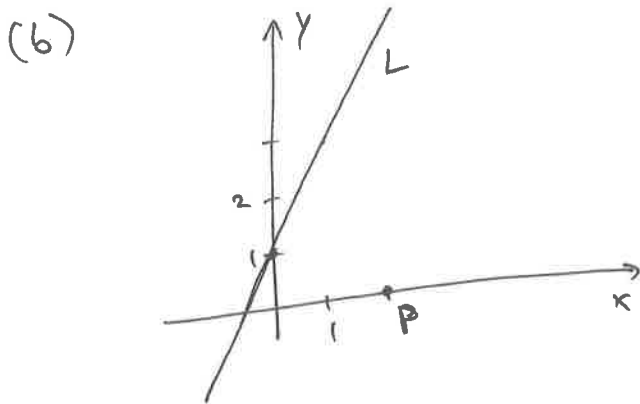
$$\Rightarrow (f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = 2(x+1) = 2x+2$$

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = 2x+1$$

$$\Rightarrow g \circ f \neq f \circ g.$$

3. (a) If a line  $L$  has slope  $m \neq 0$ , what is the slope of a line  $L'$
- perpendicular to  $L$
  - parallel to  $L$
- (b) Sketch the line  $L : y = 2x + 1$  and point  $P : (2, 0)$
- (c) Write down the equation for the line  $L'$  perpendicular to  $L$  passing through  $P$
- (d) Find the coordinates of the point of intersection of  $L$  with  $L'$

- (a) (i) has slope  $-\frac{1}{m}$   
 (ii) has slope  $m$



- (c)  $L'$ : slope  $-\frac{1}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow y - 0 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 2)$   
 $\Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 1$

- (d) Need to find  $(x, y)$  st  $\begin{cases} y = 2x + 1 \\ y = -\frac{1}{2}x + 1 \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 1 + 2x &= -\frac{1}{2}x + 1 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow y &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow \text{intersection point at } (0, 1). \end{aligned}$$

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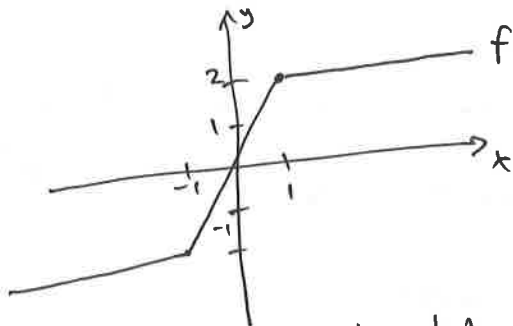
4. Let  $f(x) = |x+1| - |x-1|$

- Plot the graph of  $f(x)$
- Is  $f(x)$  a one-to-one function? Justify your answer.
- Is  $f(x)$  an even or odd function? Justify your answer.
- Plot the graph of  $\frac{1}{2}f(x+2) + 2$  using simple transformations of  $f(x)$

$$(a) \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} -(x+1) - (-(x-1)) & \text{for } x < -1 \\ (x+1) - (-(x-1)) & \text{for } -1 \leq x < 1 \\ (x+1) - (x-1) & \text{for } 1 \leq x \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} -2 & \text{for } x < -1 \\ 2x & \text{for } -1 \leq x < 1 \\ 2 & \text{for } 1 \leq x \end{cases}$$

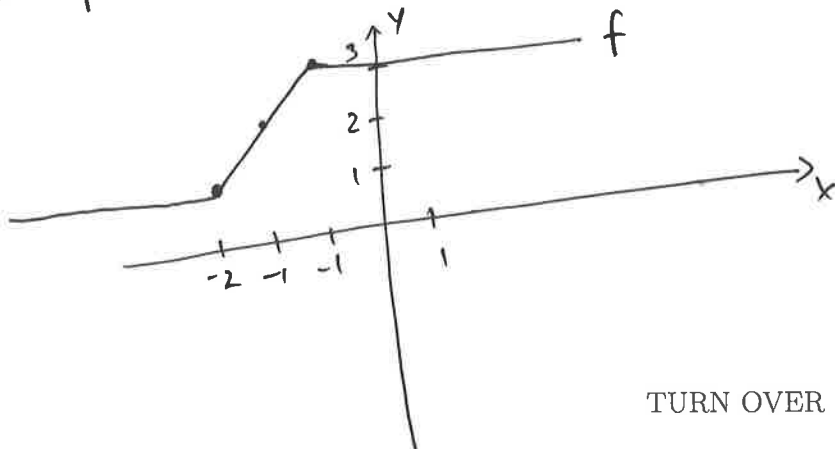
Plot:



(b): No! Doesn't pass horizontal line test.

(c) odd function! :  $f(-x) = |-x+1| - |-x-1|$   
 $= |x-1| - |x+1|$   
 $= -f(x).$

(d)  $f(x) \xrightarrow[\text{left shift by 2}]{\text{left shift}} f(x+2) \xrightarrow[\text{vertical stretch by 1/2}]{\text{vertical stretch}} \frac{1}{2}f(x+2) \xrightarrow[\text{shift up by 2}]{\text{shift up}} \frac{1}{2}f(x+2) + 2$



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5. (a) Complete the square of  $x^2 + 2(a-1)x + a^2$  and find the coordinates of the vertex of the parabola, when  $x^2 + 2(a-1)x + a^2$  is viewed as a function in  $x$
- (b) By (a) or another method find all real numbers  $a$  such that the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a-1)x + a^2 = 0$  in  $x$  has
- No solution in  $x$
  - One solution in  $x$
  - Two solutions in  $x$

(a) Complete the square  $x^2 + 2(a-1)x + a^2 = (x + a - 1)^2 - (a-1)^2 + a^2$

$$= (x + a - 1)^2 - a^2 + 2a - 1 + a^2$$

$$= (x + a - 1)^2 + (2a - 1)$$

$\Rightarrow$  vertex  $(1-a, 2a-1)$

- (b) Vertex above  $x$ -axis  $\Rightarrow$  no solution: So  $2a-1 > 0, a > \frac{1}{2}$  no solution
- Vertex on  $x$ -axis  $\Rightarrow$  one solution: So  $2a-1 = 0, a = \frac{1}{2}$  one solution
- Vertex below  $x$ -axis  $\Rightarrow$  two solutions: So  $2a-1 < 0, a < \frac{1}{2}$ , two solutions

Alternatively look at determinant:  $4(a-1)^2 - 4a^2 = 4(a^2 - 2a + 1 - a^2)$

$$= 4(1-2a)$$