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Let  $f(x) = 1 - x$  and  $g(x) = 1/x$ .

1. Find  $f(g(x))$ .
2. Find  $g(f(x))$ .
3. Find the domain of  $f \circ g$ .
4. Find the domain of  $g \circ f$ .
5. Is  $f \circ g = g \circ f$ ? Why or why not? (One reason is enough.)

Extra credit curiosity: there are exactly six functions which can be obtained by composing  $f$  and  $g$  in every possible way. See if you can find them all.

$$1. f(g(x)) = 1 - g(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x} \quad (\text{OR} = f(\frac{1}{x}) = 1 - \frac{1}{x})$$

$$2. g(f(x)) = \frac{1}{f(x)} = \frac{1}{1-x} \quad (\text{OR} = g(1-x) = \frac{1}{1-x})$$

$$3. \text{Domain}(f \circ g) = \{x \mid x \neq 0\}$$

$$4. \text{Domain}(g \circ f) = \{x \mid x \neq 1\}$$

5. No,  $f \circ g \neq g \circ f$ . For one, their domains differ.

Also their values differ everywhere!

$1 - \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{1-x}$   
has NO real solutions.

