

## Function Inverses

State if the given functions are inverses.

1)  $g(x) = 4 - \frac{3}{2}x$

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

2)  $g(n) = \frac{-12 - 2n}{3}$

$f(n) = \frac{-5 + 6n}{5}$

3)  $f(n) = \frac{-16 + n}{4}$

$g(n) = 4n + 16$

4)  $f(x) = -\frac{4}{7}x - \frac{16}{7}$

$g(x) = \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{3}{2}$

5)  $f(n) = -(n+1)^3$   
 $g(n) = 3 + n^3$

6)  $f(n) = 2(n-2)^3$   
 $g(n) = \frac{4 + \sqrt[3]{4n}}{2}$

7)  $f(x) = \frac{4}{-x-2} + 2$

$h(x) = -\frac{1}{x+3}$

8)  $g(x) = -\frac{2}{x} - 1$

$f(x) = -\frac{2}{x+1}$

Find the inverse of each function.

9)  $h(x) = \sqrt[3]{x} - 3$

10)  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x} - 2$

11)  $h(x) = 2x^3 + 3$

12)  $g(x) = -4x + 1$

$$13) g(x) = \frac{7x+18}{2}$$

$$14) f(x) = x + 3$$

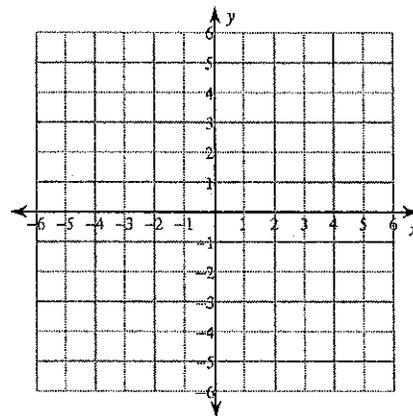
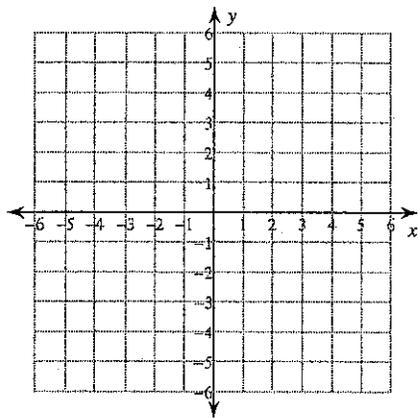
$$15) f(x) = -x + 3$$

$$16) f(x) = 4x$$

Find the inverse of each function. Then graph the function and its inverse.

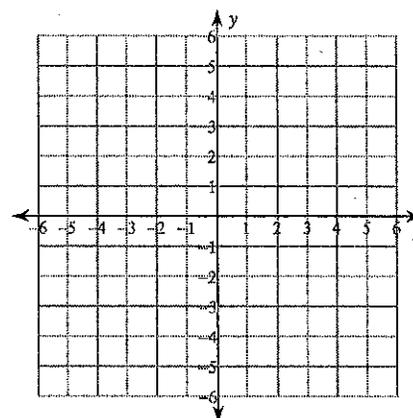
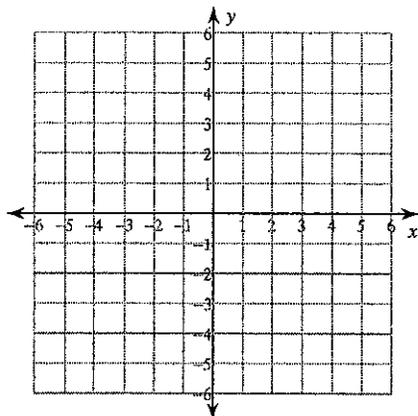
$$17) f(x) = -1 - \frac{1}{5}x$$

$$18) g(x) = \frac{1}{x-1}$$



$$19) f(x) = -2x^3 + 1$$

$$20) g(x) = \frac{-x-5}{3}$$



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OBJECTIVE: Section 5.5—INVERSE FUNCTIONS

DEFINITION OF  
INVERSE  
FUNCTIONS...

$$f(x) = x + 3$$

$$g(x) = x - 3$$

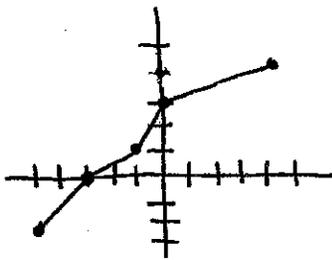
$$f(x) = x^2$$

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x}$$

INVERSE  
NOTATION:

Graphs of inverse  
functions...

Graph the inverse:



TEST to see if  
functions are  
inverses of each  
other:

Are these functions  
inverses?

$$f(x) = 2x - 5$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{5}{2}$$

$$f(x) = x^2 - 3$$

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x+3}$$

$$f(x) = 2x - 5$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + 5$$

How do you  
FIND THE INVERSE  
Of a function?

Step 1:

Step 2:

Check-- (two options):

Find the inverse...

$$f(x) = -\frac{1}{3}x + 1$$

$$g(x) = 2x - 1$$

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

Function Inverses

State if the given functions are inverses.

1)  $g(x) = 4 - \frac{3}{2}x$

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

$f(g(x)) = \frac{1}{2}(4 - \frac{3}{2}x) + \frac{3}{2}$

$= 2 - \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{3}{2}$  **no!**

3)  $f(n) = \frac{-16+n}{4}$

$g(n) = 4n + 16$

$f(g(n)) = \frac{-16 + 4n + 16}{4} = \frac{4n}{4} = n$  **yes!**

$g(f(n)) = 4(\frac{-16+n}{4}) + 16 = -16 + n + 16 = n$

5)  $f(n) = -(n+1)^3$

$g(n) = 3 + n^3$

$f(g(n)) = -(3 + n^3 + 1)^3$

$= -(n^3 + 4)^3$  **no!**

7)  $f(x) = \frac{4}{-x+2} + 2$

$h(x) = \frac{1}{x+3} - 2$

$f(h(x)) = \frac{4}{-(\frac{1}{x+3}) - 2} + 2$

$= \frac{4}{-\frac{1}{x+3} - 2} + 2$  **no!**

Find the inverse of each function.

9)  $h(x) = \sqrt[3]{x} - 3$

$y = \sqrt[3]{x} - 3$

$x = \sqrt[3]{y} - 3$

$x + 3 = \sqrt[3]{y}$

**$h^{-1}(x) = (\sqrt[3]{x+3})^3$**

11)  $h(x) = 2x^3 + 3$

$x = 2y^3 + 3$

$x - 3 = 2y^3$

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

**$h^{-1}(x) = \sqrt[3]{\frac{x-3}{2}}$**

2)  $g(n) = \frac{-12-2n}{3}$

$f(n) = \frac{-5+6n}{5}$

$f(g(n)) = \frac{-5 + 6(\frac{-12-2n}{3})}{5}$

$= \frac{-5 + 2(-12-2n)}{5} = \frac{-5 - 24 - 4n}{5}$

$= \frac{-29 - 4n}{5}$  **no!**

$f(g(x)) = \frac{-4(\frac{3}{2}x - \frac{3}{2}) - 5}{5}$

$= \frac{-12x + 12 - 5}{5} = \frac{-12x + 7}{5}$

4)  $f(x) = -\frac{4}{7}x - \frac{16}{7}$

$g(x) = \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{3}{2}$  **no!**

6)  $f(n) = \sqrt[3]{2(n-2)}$  **yes!**

$g(n) = \frac{4 + \sqrt[3]{4n}}{2}$

$f(g(n)) = \sqrt[3]{2(\frac{4 + \sqrt[3]{4n}}{2} - 2)}$

$= \sqrt[3]{2(\frac{4 + \sqrt[3]{4n} - 4}{2})} = \sqrt[3]{\sqrt[3]{4n}}$

$= \sqrt[3]{\sqrt[3]{4n}}$  **no!**

$g(f(n)) = \frac{4 + \sqrt[3]{4(2(n-2))}}{2}$

$= \frac{4 + \sqrt[3]{8(n-2)}}{2}$

$= \frac{4 + 2(n-2)}{2}$

$= \frac{4 + 2n - 4}{2} = \frac{2n}{2} = n$  **yes!**

8)  $g(x) = \frac{2}{x} - 1$

$f(x) = \frac{2}{x+1}$

$f(g(x)) = \frac{2}{(\frac{2}{x} - 1) + 1}$

$= \frac{2}{\frac{2}{x} - 1 + 1} = \frac{2}{\frac{2}{x}} = \frac{2 \cdot x}{2} = x$  **yes!**

$g(f(x)) = \frac{2}{\frac{2}{x+1} - 1} - 1$

$= \frac{2 \cdot (x+1)}{2 - (x+1)} - 1 = \frac{2x+2}{1-x} - 1 = \frac{2x+2 - (1-x)}{1-x} = \frac{2x+2-1+x}{1-x} = \frac{3x+1}{1-x}$

10)  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x} - 2$

$x = \frac{1}{y} - 2$

$x + 2 = \frac{1}{y}$

12)  $g(x) = -4x + 1$

$x = -4y + 1$

$x - 1 = -4y$

**$g^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-1}{-4}$**

**$h^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$**

**$\frac{-x}{4} + \frac{1}{4}$**

$$13) g(x) = \frac{7x+18}{2} \quad x = \frac{7y+18}{2}$$

$$y = \frac{7x+18}{2} \quad 2x = 7y+18$$

$$2x-18 = 7y$$

$$\frac{2x-18}{7} = y = f^{-1}(x)$$

$$14) f(x) = x+3$$

$$x = y+3$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = x-3$$

$$15) f(x) = -x+3$$

$$x = -y+3$$

$$x-3 = -y$$

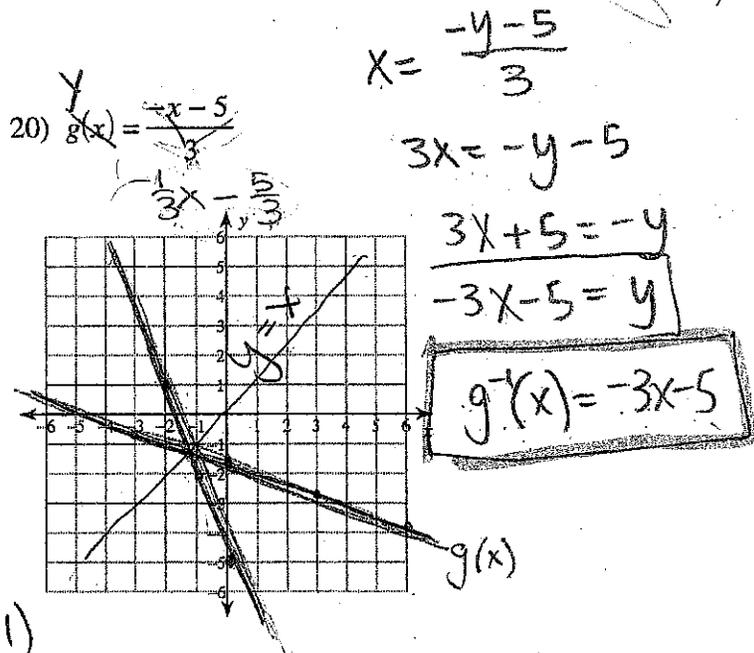
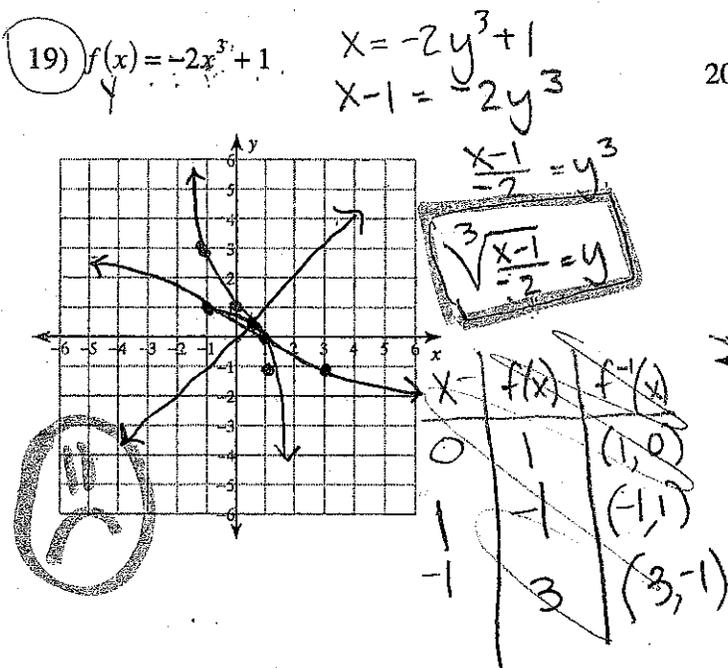
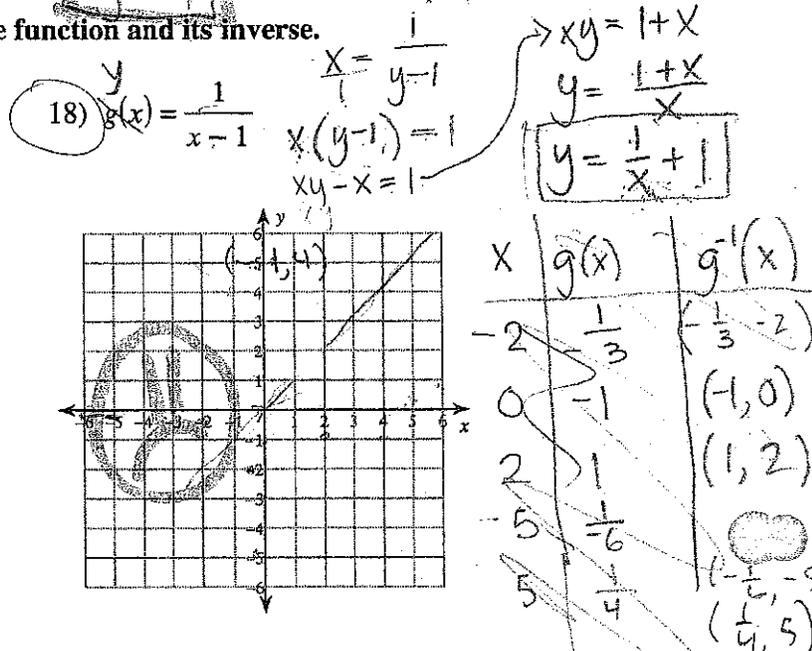
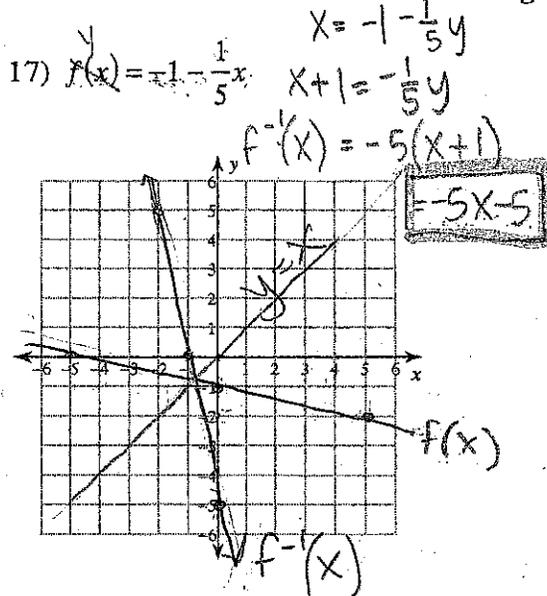
$$f^{-1}(x) = -x+3$$

$$16) f(x) = 4x$$

$$x = 4y$$

$$y = \frac{x}{4}$$

Find the inverse of each function. Then graph the function and its inverse.



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OBJECTIVE: Section 5.5—INVERSE FUNCTIONS

DEFINITION OF INVERSE FUNCTIONS...

Inverse functions "undo" each other...

$f(x) = x + 3$  (adds on 3)  
 $g(x) = x - 3$  (takes off 3)

$f(x) = x^2$  squares  $x$   
 $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$  unsquares  $x$

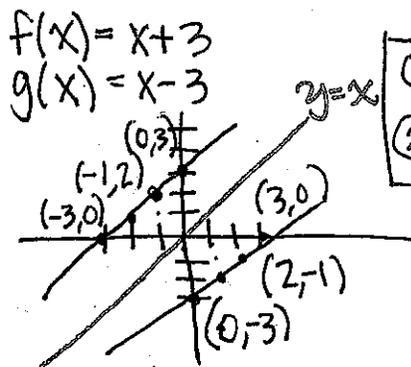
(only works on positive  $x$ 's!)

INVERSE NOTATION:

the inverse of  $f(x)$  is  $f^{-1}(x)$

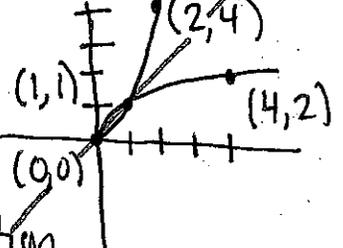
-1 is not an exponent. Read: "f inverse of  $x$ "

Graphs of inverse functions...



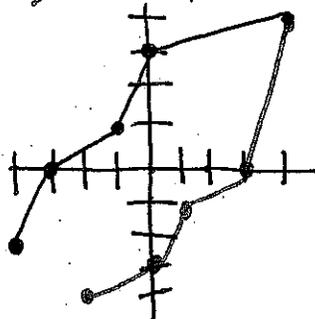
- ① reflection over  $y = x$
- ② each  $(x, y) \rightarrow (y, x)$

$f(x) = x^2$   
 $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$  (positive)



If we looked at all  $x$  values, the inverse  $(0, 0)$  wouldn't be a function.

Graph the inverse:



TEST to see if functions are inverses of each other:

If  $g(x)$  and  $f(x)$  are inverses, then  $g(f(x)) = f(g(x)) = \boxed{x}$

If  $f(x) = x + 3$   
 $g(x) = x - 3$

①  $f(g(x)) = (x - 3) + 3 = \boxed{x}$   
 ②  $g(f(x)) = (x + 3) - 3 = \boxed{x}$

If  $f(x) = x^2$   
 $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$

②  $f(g(x)) = (\sqrt{x})^2 = x$

$g(f(x)) = \sqrt{x^2} = x$

Are these functions inverses?

$$f(x) = 2x - 5$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(x)) &= 2\left(\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{5}{2}\right) - 5 \\ &= x + 5 - 5 \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(f(x)) &= \frac{1}{2}(2x - 5) + \frac{5}{2} \\ &= x - \frac{5}{2} + \frac{5}{2} \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

yes!

$$f(x) = x^2 - 3$$

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x+3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(x)) &= (\sqrt{x+3})^2 - 3 \\ &= x + 3 - 3 \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(f(x)) &= \sqrt{x^2 - 3 + 3} \\ &= \sqrt{x^2} \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

yes!

$$f(x) = 2x - 5$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + 5$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(x)) &= 2\left(\frac{1}{2}x + 5\right) - 5 \\ &= x + 10 - 5 \\ &= x + 5 \quad \text{no!} \end{aligned}$$

How do you FIND THE INVERSE Of a function?

Step 1: SWITH the  $x$  and  $y$  around

Step 2: Solve for  $y$

Check-- (two options): ① graph each (are they reflections over  $y=x$ ?)

② find  $f(g(x))$  and  $g(f(x))$ : do they both equal  $x$ ?

Find the inverse...

$$f(x) = -\frac{1}{3}x + 1$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{3}x + 1$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{3}y + 1$$

$$-3(x-1) = -\frac{1}{3}y \cdot -3$$

$$y = -3x + 3 = f^{-1}(x)$$

$$g(x) = 2x - 1$$

$$y = 2x - 1$$

$$x = 2y - 1$$

$$x + 1 = 2y$$

$$y = \frac{x+1}{2}$$

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

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

$$y = 2x^5 - 3$$

$$x = 2y^5 - 3$$

$$\frac{x+3}{2} = \frac{2y^5}{2}$$

$$y^5 = \frac{x+3}{2}$$

$$y = \sqrt[5]{\frac{x+3}{2}}$$

Check:  $f(f^{-1}(x)) = -\frac{1}{3}(-3x+3) + 1$

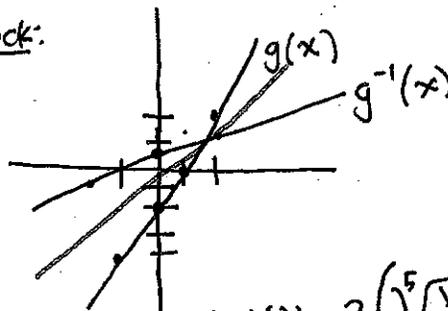
$$= x - 1 + 1 = x$$

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

$$= x - 3 + 3 = x$$



Check:



Check:  $f(f^{-1}(x)) = 2\left(\sqrt[5]{\frac{x+3}{2}}\right)^5 - 3$

$$= 2\left(\frac{x+3}{2}\right) - 3 = x + 3 - 3 = x$$

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

