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Work on as many problems as you can together with your group members. Towards the end of lecture your group will be asked to present problems correctly to receive classwork points.

1. Find $f(g(x))$ and $g(f(x))$ and determine whether f and g are inverses.

(a) $f(x) = 8x - 9, g(x) = \frac{x+9}{8}$

(b) $f(x) = 9x - 5, g(x) = \frac{x+9}{5}$

(c) $f(x) = 7x - 6, g(x) = \frac{x+6}{7}$

(d) $f(x) = 6x - 7, g(x) = \frac{x+7}{6}$

(e) $f(x) = 9x + 5, g(x) = \frac{x+9}{5}$

Solution

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(x)) &= f\left(\frac{x+9}{8}\right) \\ &= 8\left(\frac{x+9}{8}\right) - 9 \\ &= x + 9 - 9 \\ &= x \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(f(x)) &= g(8x - 9) \\ &= \frac{8x - 9 + 9}{8} \\ &= \frac{8x}{8} \\ &= x \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Thus f and g are inverses.

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}f(g(x)) &= f\left(\frac{x+9}{5}\right) \\&= 9\left(\frac{x+9}{5}\right) - 5 \\&= \frac{9x+81}{5} - 5 \\&= \frac{9x+106}{5} \neq x\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}g(f(x)) &= g(9x-5) \\&= \frac{9x-5+9}{5} \\&= \frac{9x+4}{5} \neq x\end{aligned}$$

Thus f and g are not inverses

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}f(g(x)) &= f\left(\frac{x+6}{7}\right) \\&= 7\left(\frac{x+6}{7}\right) - 6 \\&= x+6-6 \\&= x\checkmark\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}g(f(x)) &= g(7x-6) \\&= \frac{7x-6+6}{7} \\&= \frac{7x}{7} \\&= x\checkmark\end{aligned}$$

Thus f and g are inverses.

(d)

$$\begin{aligned}f(g(x)) &= f\left(\frac{x+7}{6}\right) \\&= 6\left(\frac{x+7}{6}\right) - 7 \\&= x + 7 - 7 \\&= x \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}g(f(x)) &= g(6x - 7) \\&= \frac{6x - 7 + 7}{6} \\&= \frac{6x}{6} \\&= x \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

Thus f and g are inverses.

(e)

$$\begin{aligned}f(g(x)) &= f\left(\frac{x+9}{5}\right) \\&= 9\left(\frac{x+9}{5}\right) + 5 \\&= \frac{9x+81}{5} + 5 \\&= \frac{9x+106}{5} \neq x\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}g(f(x)) &= g(9x + 5) \\&= \frac{9x+5+9}{5} \\&= \frac{9x+14}{5} \neq x\end{aligned}$$

Thus f and g are not inverses

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2. Find an equation for the inverse function.

(a) $f(x) = x^3 + 4$

(b) $h(x) = (x + 3)^5$

(c) $f(x) = \frac{13}{x}$

(d) $f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 1}{4}$

(e) $f(x) = x^{1/4}$

Solution

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) = x^3 + 4 &\rightarrow y = x^3 + 4 \\ &\rightarrow x = y^3 + 4 \Leftrightarrow y = \sqrt[3]{x - 4} \\ &\rightarrow \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt[3]{x - 4}} \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} h(x) = (x + 3)^5 &\rightarrow y = (x + 3)^5 \\ &\rightarrow x = (y + 3)^5 \Leftrightarrow \sqrt[5]{x} = y + 3 \Leftrightarrow y = \sqrt[5]{x} - 3 \\ &\rightarrow \boxed{h^{-1}(x) = \sqrt[5]{x} - 3} \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) = \frac{13}{x} &\rightarrow y = \frac{13}{x} \\ &\rightarrow x = \frac{13}{y} \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{13}{x} \\ &\rightarrow \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{13}{x}} \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) = \frac{x^3 - 1}{4} &\rightarrow y = \frac{x^3 - 1}{4} \\ &\rightarrow x = \frac{y^3 - 1}{4} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 4x = y^3 - 1 \Leftrightarrow y = \sqrt[3]{4x + 1} \\ &\rightarrow \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt[3]{4x + 1}} \end{aligned}$$

(e)

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) = x^{1/4} &\rightarrow y = x^{1/4} \\ &\rightarrow x = y^{1/4} \Leftrightarrow y = x^4 \\ &\rightarrow \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = x^4} \end{aligned}$$



3. Find $(f \circ g)^{-1}(x)$ and $g^{-1}(f^{-1}(x))$.

(a) If $f(x) = 9x$, $g(x) = x + 6$

(b) If $f(x) = 4x$, $g(x) = x - 5$

(c) If $f(x) = 3x$, $g(x) = 2x + 1$

(d) If $f(x) = 5x$, $g(x) = 3x + 4$

(e) If $f(x) = 8x$, $g(x) = x - 6$

Solution

(a)

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(x + 6) = 9x + 54$$

$$(f \circ g)(x) = 9x + 54 \rightarrow y = 9x + 54$$

$$\rightarrow x = 9y + 54 \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{x - 54}{9}$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{(f \circ g)^{-1}(x) = \frac{x - 54}{9}}$$

$$f(x) = 9x \rightarrow y = 9x$$

$$\rightarrow x = 9y \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{x}{9}$$

$$\rightarrow f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x}{9}$$

$$g(x) = x + 6 \rightarrow y = x + 6$$

$$\rightarrow x = y + 6 \Leftrightarrow y = x - 6$$

$$\rightarrow g^{-1}(x) = x - 6$$

$$g^{-1}(f^{-1}(x)) = g^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{9}\right) = \frac{x}{9} - 6 = \boxed{\frac{x - 54}{9}}$$

(b)

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(x - 5) = 4x - 20$$

$$(f \circ g)(x) = 4x - 20 \rightarrow y = 4x - 20$$

$$\rightarrow x = 4y - 20 \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{x + 20}{4}$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{(f \circ g)^{-1}(x) = \frac{x + 20}{4}}$$

$$f(x) = 4x \rightarrow y = 4x$$

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

$$\rightarrow f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x}{4}$$

$$g(x) = x - 5 \rightarrow y = x - 5$$

$$\rightarrow x = y - 5 \Leftrightarrow y = x + 5$$

$$\rightarrow g^{-1}(x) = x + 5$$

$$g^{-1}(f^{-1}(x)) = g^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{4}\right) = \frac{x}{4} + 5 = \boxed{\frac{x + 20}{4}}$$

(c)

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(2x + 1) = 6x + 3$$

$$(f \circ g)(x) = 6x + 3 \rightarrow y = 6x + 3$$

$$\rightarrow x = 6y + 3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y = \frac{x - 3}{6}$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{(f \circ g)^{-1}(x) = \frac{x - 3}{6}}$$

$$f(x) = 3x \rightarrow y = 3x$$

$$\rightarrow x = 3y \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{x}{3}$$

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

$$g(x) = 2x + 1 \rightarrow y = 2x + 1$$

$$\rightarrow x = 2y + 1 \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{x - 1}{2}$$

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

$$g^{-1}(f^{-1}(x)) = g^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) = \frac{\frac{x}{3} - 1}{2} = \boxed{\frac{x - 3}{6}}$$

(d)

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(3x + 4) = 15x + 20$$

$$(f \circ g)(x) = 15x + 20 \rightarrow y = 15x + 20$$

$$\rightarrow x = 15y + 20 \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{x - 20}{15}$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{(f \circ g)^{-1}(x) = \frac{x - 20}{15}}$$

$$f(x) = 5x \rightarrow y = 5x$$

$$\rightarrow x = 5y \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{x}{5}$$

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

$$g(x) = 3x + 4 \rightarrow y = 3x + 4$$

$$\rightarrow x = 3y + 4 \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{x - 4}{3}$$

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

$$g^{-1}(f^{-1}(x)) = g^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{5}\right) = \frac{\frac{x}{5} - 4}{3} = \boxed{\frac{x - 20}{15}}$$

(e)

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(x - 6) = 8x - 48$$

$$(f \circ g)(x) = 8x - 48 \rightarrow y = 8x - 48$$

$$\rightarrow x = 8y - 48 \Leftrightarrow y = \frac{x + 48}{8}$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{(f \circ g)^{-1}(x) = \frac{x + 48}{8}}$$

$$f(x) = 8x \rightarrow y = 8x$$

$$\rightarrow x = 8y$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y = \frac{x}{8}$$

$$\rightarrow f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x}{8}$$

$$g(x) = x - 6 \rightarrow y = x - 6$$

$$\rightarrow x = y - 6 \Leftrightarrow y = x + 6$$

$$\rightarrow g^{-1}(x) = x + 6$$

$$g^{-1}(f^{-1}(x)) = g^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{8}\right) = \frac{x}{8} + 6 = \boxed{\frac{x + 48}{8}}$$

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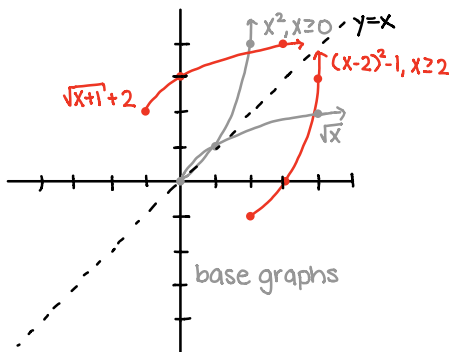
4. Given the function $f(x)$, find its inverse $f^{-1}(x)$, then graph f and f^{-1} on the same rectangular coordinate system. Lastly, Use interval notation to give the domain and the range of f and f^{-1} .

- (a) $f(x) = (x - 2)^2 - 1, x \geq 2$
- (b) $f(x) = x^2 - 3, x \geq 0$
- (c) $f(x) = (x + 2)^2 + 1, x \geq -2$
- (d) $f(x) = (x - 3)^2 + 1, x \geq 3$
- (e) $f(x) = (x - 3)^2, x \leq 3$

Solution

(a)

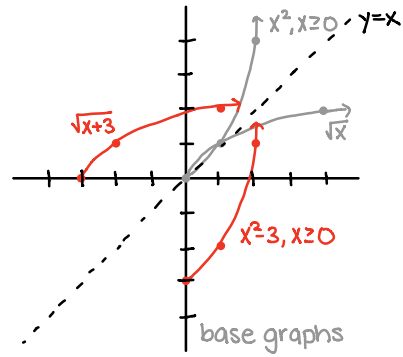
$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= (x - 2)^2 - 1, x \geq 2 \rightarrow y = (x - 2)^2 - 1, x \geq 2 \\
 &\rightarrow x = (y - 2)^2 - 1, y \geq 2 \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (y - 2)^2 = x + 2, y \geq 2 \\
 &\Rightarrow y - 2 = \pm\sqrt{x + 1}, y \geq 2 \\
 &\Rightarrow y = 2 \pm \sqrt{x + 1}, y \geq 2 \\
 &\Rightarrow y = 2 + \sqrt{x + 1} \\
 &\rightarrow \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = 2 + \sqrt{x + 1}}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\boxed{\text{Dom}(f) = \text{Ran}(f^{-1}) = [2, \infty) \text{ and } \text{Dom}(f^{-1}) = \text{Ran}(f) = [-1, \infty)}$$

(b)

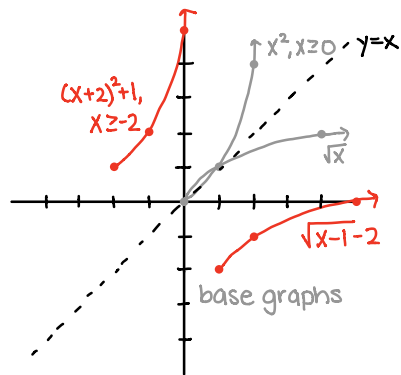
$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= x^2 - 3, x \geq 0 \rightarrow y = x^2 - 3, x \geq 0 \\&\rightarrow x = y^2 - 3, y \geq 0 \\&\Rightarrow y = \pm\sqrt{x+3}, y \geq 0 \\&\Rightarrow y = \sqrt{x+3} \\&\rightarrow \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{x+3}}\end{aligned}$$



$$\boxed{\text{Dom}(f) = \text{Ran}(f^{-1}) = [0, \infty) \text{ and } \text{Dom}(f^{-1}) = \text{Ran}(f) = [-3, \infty)}$$

(c)

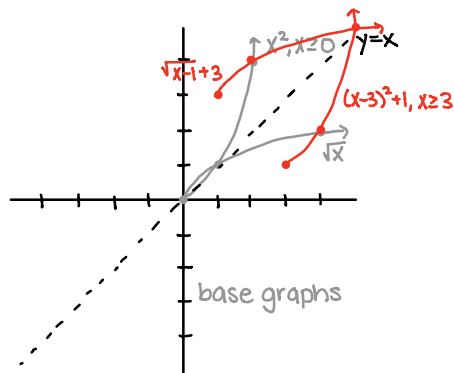
$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= (x+2)^2 + 1, x \geq -2 \rightarrow y = (x+2)^2 + 1, x \geq -2 \\ &\rightarrow x = (y+2)^2 + 1, y \geq -2 \\ &\Rightarrow (y+2)^2 = x-1, y \geq -2 \\ &\Rightarrow y+2 = \pm\sqrt{x-1}, y \geq -2 \\ &\Rightarrow y = -2 \pm \sqrt{x-1}, y \geq -2 \\ &\Rightarrow y = -2 + \sqrt{x-1} \\ &\rightarrow \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = -2 + \sqrt{x-1}} \end{aligned}$$



$$\boxed{\text{Dom}(f) = \text{Ran}(f^{-1}) = [-2, \infty) \text{ and } \text{Dom}(f^{-1}) = \text{Ran}(f) = [1, \infty)}$$

(d)

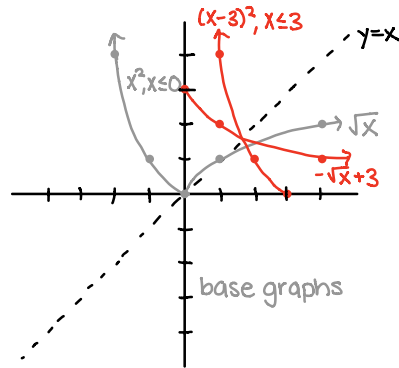
$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= (x-3)^2 + 1, x \geq 3 \rightarrow y = (x-3)^2 + 1, x \geq 3 \\ &\rightarrow x = (y-3)^2 + 1, y \geq 3 \\ &\Rightarrow (y-3)^2 = x-1, y \geq 3 \\ &\Rightarrow y-3 = \pm\sqrt{x-1}, y \geq 3 \\ &\Rightarrow y = 3 \pm \sqrt{x-1}, y \geq 3 \\ &\Rightarrow y = 3 + \sqrt{x-1} \\ &\rightarrow \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = 3 + \sqrt{x-1}} \end{aligned}$$



$$\boxed{\text{Dom}(f) = \text{Ran}(f^{-1}) = [3, \infty) \text{ and } \text{Dom}(f^{-1}) = \text{Ran}(f) = [1, \infty)}$$

(e)

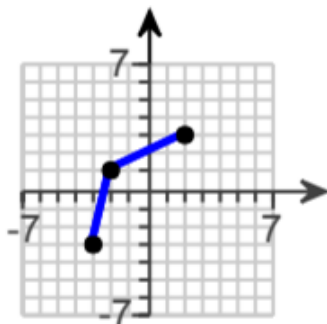
$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= (x-3)^2, x \leq 3 \rightarrow y = (x-3)^2, x \leq 3 \\&\rightarrow x = (y-3)^2, y \leq 3 \\&\Rightarrow y-3 = \pm\sqrt{x}, y \leq 3 \\&\Rightarrow y = 3 \pm \sqrt{x}, y \leq 3 \\&\Rightarrow y = 3 - \sqrt{x} \\&\rightarrow \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = 3 - \sqrt{x}}\end{aligned}$$



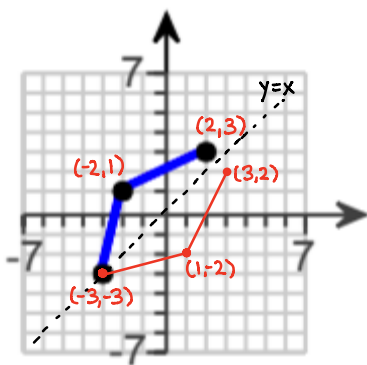
$$\boxed{\text{Dom}(f) = \text{Ran}(f^{-1}) = (-\infty, 3] \text{ and } \text{Dom}(f^{-1}) = \text{Ran}(f) = [0, \infty)}$$

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5. Use the graph below to draw a graph of its inverse function.



Solution



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