

Algebra 2

Lesson 6-7

Inverse Relations and
Functions

Goal: to find inverse relations or functions

What is wrong with the following headline? What should it be?

Mayor's Salary Restored

At last night's council meeting, the town approved a 20% increase in the mayor's salary. This follows last year's 20% decrease. The mayor's

In the news story, they were trying to say that a 20% increase will "undo" a 20% decrease (which it does not). When you are looking for inverse functions, you are looking for what will "undo" the function.

If a relation pairs elements a of the domain with elements b of the range, the inverse pairs b with a .

(a, b) the inverse is (b, a)

If both are functions, then they are inverse functions.

Name the inverse:

x	-2	-1	0	1
y	2	0	3	0

Yes

x	2	0	3	0
y	-2	-1	0	1

No

Are they inverse functions?

No

To find the inverse of a function, you switch the domain and range. In an equation, this means that you switch x and y. You then solve for the new y. This will be the inverse of the original equation.

Find the inverse:

$y = 2x + 8$
 $x = 2y + 8$
 $x - 8 = 2y$
 $y = \frac{x-8}{2} = y^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}x - 4$

$y = 5x^2 + 2$
 $x = 5y^2 + 2$
 $x - 2 = 5y^2$
 $\pm \sqrt{\frac{x-2}{5}} = \sqrt{\frac{5y^2}{5}} = y^{-1} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{x-2}{5}}$

$g(x) = -\frac{2}{3}x + 7$

$y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 7$

a) domain of g ? \mathbb{R}_s

$x = -\frac{3}{2}y + 7$

b) g^{-1} ?

$-\frac{3}{2}(x-7) = (-\frac{3}{2}y)$

c) domain of inverse? \mathbb{R}_s

$-\frac{3}{2}x + \frac{21}{2} = y^{-1}$

d) is inverse a function? Yes

What is the formula for finding the area of a circle? Find its inverse. What is the radius of a circle with area 30ft^2 ?

$A = \pi r^2$

$\sqrt{\frac{r}{\pi}} = \sqrt{\frac{A}{\pi}}$ (note: no \pm because it represents Area)

$A^{-1} = \sqrt{\frac{r}{\pi}}$

$\sqrt{\frac{30}{\pi}} = \sqrt{\frac{r^2}{\pi}}$ $r = 3.1 \text{ ft}$

If $(f^{-1} \circ f)(x) = x$ and $(f \circ f^{-1})(x) = x$, then the functions are one-to-one.

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

Let $g(x) = \frac{4}{x+2}$

Find: $y = \frac{4}{x+2} \rightarrow (y+2)x = \frac{4}{y+2}(y+2)$

a) $g^{-1} = \frac{4}{x} - 2$

$(y+2)x = 4$

$(y+2)x = \frac{4}{x}$

b) $(g \circ g^{-1})(0)$

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

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

c) $(g^{-1} \circ g)(0) = 2$

$y^{-1} = \frac{4}{x} - 2$

$y^{-1} = \frac{4}{x} - 2$

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