

What you will learn about:
Inverse Functions

Vertical Line Test for Function

Horizontal Line Test for Inverse

Inverse
Switch X and Y

Graph is reflection over line $y=x$

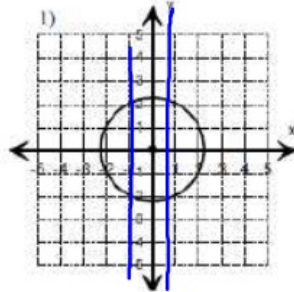
(2, 5)

(5, 2)

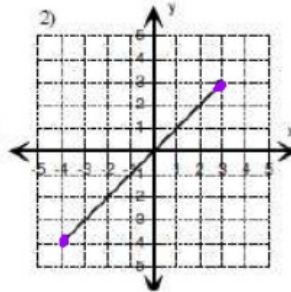
(-2, -5)

(-5, -2)

Is the relation a function? Does the relation have an inverse? If the function has an inverse, sketch the graph of the inverse.



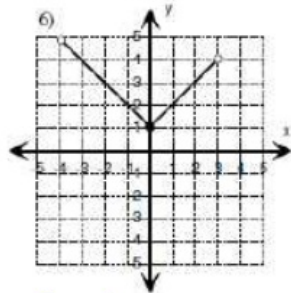
No Function



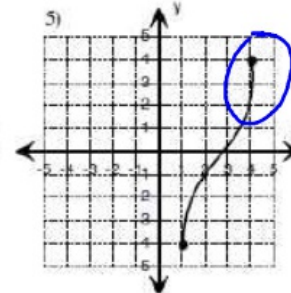
Function
Inverse

(3, 3)

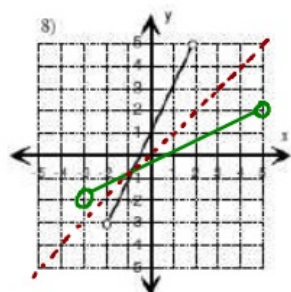
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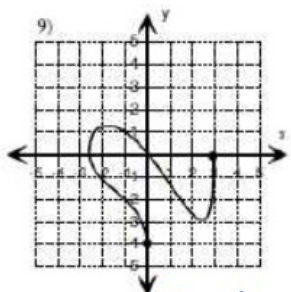
Function
No Inverse



No Function



Function



No Function

Inverse

f^{-1} ← Inverse

Find inverse
 Switch $x + y$
 Solve for y

$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-2}{5}$

$x+5 \geq 0$
 $x \geq -5$

$2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = 8$
 $2^3 = 8$
 $\sqrt[3]{8} = 2$

Find a formula for $f^{-1}(x)$. Give the domain of $f^{-1}(x)$, including any restrictions "inherited" from f .

$D: (-\infty, \infty)$

A. $f(x) = 5x + 2$
 $y = 5x + 2$
 $x = \frac{y-2}{5}$
 $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-2}{5}$
 $D: (-\infty, \infty)$

B. $f(x) = \frac{3x+2}{x-1}$
 $(y-1)(x) = \frac{3y+2}{y-1} \cdot y-1$
 $xy - x = 3y + 2$
 $xy - 3y = x + 2$
 $y(x-3) = x+2$
 $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+2}{x-3}$
 $D: (-\infty, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$

C. $f(x) = \sqrt{x+5}$
 $D: [-5, \infty)$
 $(x)^2 = (\sqrt{y+5})^2$
 $x^2 = y + 5$
 $f^{-1}(x) = x^2 - 5$
 $D: [-5, \infty)$

D. $f(x) = \sqrt{x^3 - 2}$

E. $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{2x+1}$
 $(x)^3 = (\sqrt[3]{2y+1})^3$
 $x^3 = 2y + 1$
 $2y = x^3 - 1$

$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x^3-1}{2}$
 $D: (-\infty, \infty)$

$f(g(x)) \rightarrow f \text{ of } g \text{ of } x$

Composite

$$f(x) = x^3 + 1$$

Confirm that f and g are inverses by showing that $f(g(x))$ and $g(f(x)) = x$.

A. $f(x) = x^3 + 1$ and $g(x) = \sqrt[3]{x-1}$

$$f(g(x)) = x^3 + 1$$

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

$$= x - 1 + 1$$

$$= x$$

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

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

$$= \sqrt[3]{x^3}$$

$$= x$$

$f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are inverses

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

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

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

$$\frac{2x+3}{x-1} + \frac{3x-3}{x-1}$$

$$\frac{2x+3}{x-1} - \frac{2x-2}{x-1}$$

$$\frac{5x}{x-1} \cdot \frac{x-1}{5} = x$$