

## Section 1.5

### One-to-One Functions

**Definition:** A function  $f(x)$  is **one-on-one** on a domain  $D$  if  $f(a) \neq f(b)$  whenever  $a \neq b$ .

**Horizontal Line Test:** Every horizontal line intersects the graph of a one-to-one function at most once.

**Exercise 1.** Is  $f(x) = x^2$  a one-to-one function?

**Class Exercise 1.** Is  $g(x) = x^3$  a one-to-one function? Is  $h(x) = |x|$  a one-to-one function?

Since each output of a one-to-one function comes from just one input, a one-to-one function can be reversed to send outputs back to the inputs which they came. The function defined by reversing a one-to-one function  $f$  is the inverse of  $f$ .

### Inverse Functions

**Definition of Inverse Function:** Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two functions such that  $f(g(x)) = x$  for every  $x$  in the domain of  $g$  and  $g(f(x)) = x$  for every  $x$  in the domain of  $f$ . Under these conditions, the function  $g$  is the **inverse function** of the function  $f$ . The function  $g$  is denoted by  $f^{-1}$  (read “f-inverse”). So,

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = x \text{ and } f^{-1}(f(x)) = x.$$

The domain of  $f$  must equal to the range of  $f^{-1}$ , and the range of  $f$  must be equal to the domain of  $f^{-1}$ .

**Exercise 2.** Show the functions are inverse functions of each other. (Larson Sec 1.7 Ex 3)

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

**Class Exercise 2.** Which of the functions is the inverse function of  $f(x) = \frac{5}{x-2}$ ? (Larson Sec 1.7 Ex 4)

$$g(x) = \frac{x-2}{5} \quad \text{or} \quad h(x) = \frac{5}{x} + 2$$

### Graph of an Inverse Function

The graph of a function and its inverse are closely related. To read the value of a function from its graph, we start at a point  $x$  on the  $x$ -axis, go vertically to the graph, and then move horizontally to the  $y$ -axis to read the value of  $y$ . The inverse function can be read from the graph by reversing the process. Start with a point  $y$  on the  $y$ -axis, go horizontally to the graph of  $y = f(x)$ , and then move vertically to the  $x$ -axis to read the value of  $x = f^{-1}(y)$ .

**Exercise 3.** Plot  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + 1$  and  $f^{-1}(x)$  on the same coordinate axes. (Hass Sec 1.6 Ex 1)

**Exercise 4.** Plot  $f(x) = x^2, x \geq 0$ , and  $f^{-1}(x)$  on the same coordinate axes. (Hass Sec 1.6 Ex 2)

**Class Exercise 3.** Plot  $f(x) = 2x + 6$  and  $f^{-1}(x)$  on the same coordinate axes. (Briggs Sec 1.3 Ex 4(a))

**Class Exercise 4.** Plot  $f(x) = \sqrt{x-1}$  and  $f^{-1}(x)$  on the same coordinate axes. (Briggs Sec 1.3 Ex 4(b))

### Finding Inverse Function Algebraically

1. Use the Horizontal Line Test to decide whether  $f$  has an inverse function.
2. In the equation for  $f(x)$ , replace  $f(x)$  by  $y$ .
3. Interchange the roles of  $x$  and  $y$ , and solve for  $y$ .
4. Replace  $y$  by  $f^{-1}(x)$  in the new equation.

**Exercise 5.** Find the inverse function of  $f(x) = \frac{5-3x}{2}$ . (Larson Sec 1.7 Ex 7)

**Exercise 6.** Find the inverse function of  $f(x) = x^3 - 4$ . (Larson Sec 1.7 Ex 8)

**Exercise 7.** Find the inverse function of  $f(x) = \sqrt{2x-3}$ . (Larson Sec 1.7 Ex 9)

**Class Exercise 5.** Find a formula for the inverse of the function. (#22, 24, 26)

(a)  $f(x) = \frac{4x-1}{2x+3}$  (b)  $y = x^2 - x, x \geq \frac{1}{2}$  (c)  $y = \frac{e^x}{1+2e^x}$

**Definition** For  $x > 0, a > 0$ , and  $a \neq 1$ ,

$$y = \log_a x \text{ if and only if } x = a^y.$$

The function given by

$$f(x) = \log_a x$$

is called the **logarithmic function with base  $a$** .

**Exercise 8.** Use the definition of logarithmic function to evaluate  $f(x) = \log_2 x$  at  $x = 32$ . (Sec 4.2 Ex 1)

**Class Exercise 6.** Use the definition of logarithmic function to evaluate:

(a)  $f(x) = \log_3 x$  at  $x = 1$  (b)  $f(x) = \log_4 x$  at  $x = 2$ . (c)  $f(x) = \log_{10} x$  at  $x = \frac{1}{100}$ .

**Definition:** The function defined by

$$f(x) = \log_{10} x = \log x, x > 0$$

is called the **common logarithmic function**.

**Definition:** The function defined by

$$f(x) = \log_e x = \ln x, x > 0$$

is called the **natural logarithmic function**.

### **Properties of Logarithms**

Let  $a$  be a positive number such that  $a \neq 1$ , let  $n$  be a real number. If  $u$  and  $v$  are positive real numbers, the following properties are true.

1. **Product Property:**  $\log_a(uv) = \log_a u + \log_a v$
2. **Quotient Property:**  $\log_a \frac{u}{v} = \log_a u - \log_a v$
3. **Power Property:**  $\log_a u^n = n \log_a u$

**Exercise 9.** Express the given quantity as a single logarithm:  $\ln 5 + 5 \ln 3$ . (#39)

**Class Exercise 7.** Express the given quantity as a single logarithm:  $\ln(a+b) + \ln(a-b) - 2 \ln c$ . (#40)

**Exercise 10.** Use the properties of logarithms to expand the expression:  $\log_4 5x^3y$ . (Larson Sec 4.3 Ex 5a)

**Class Exercise 8.** Use the properties of logarithms to expand the expression:  $\ln \frac{\sqrt{3x-5}}{7}$ . (Larson Sec Ex 5b)

**Exercise 11.** Use the properties of logarithms to condense the logarithmic expression. (Larson Sec 4.3 Ex 6a)

$$\frac{1}{2}\log_{10}x + 3\log_{10}(x+1)$$

**Class Exercise 9.** Use the properties of logarithms to condense the logarithmic expressions. (Larson Sec 4.3 Ex 6b, c)

(a)  $2 \ln(x+2) - \ln x$     (b)  $\frac{1}{3}[\log_2 x + \log_2(x-4)]$

We now move on to solving exponential and logarithmic equations. Here are some strategies:

1. Rewrite the original equation in a form that allows the use of the One-to-One Properties of exponential or logarithmic functions.
2. Rewrite an *exponential* equation in logarithmic form and apply the Inverse Property of logarithmic functions.
3. Rewrite a *logarithmic* equation in exponential form and apply the Inverse Property of exponential functions.

**Exercise 12.** Solve the exponential equation: (a)  $e^x = 72$     (b)  $3(2^x) = 42$ . (Larson Sec 4.4 Ex 2)

**Class Exercise 10.** Solve the exponential equation: (a)  $4e^{2x} - 3 = 2$     (b)  $2(3^{2t-5}) - 4 = 11$   
(c)  $e^{2x} - 3e^x + 2 = 0$  (Larson Sec 4.4 Ex 3, 4, 5)

**Exercise 13.** Solve the logarithmic equation: (a)  $\ln 3x = 2$   
(b)  $\log_3(5x-1) = \log_3(x+7)$ . (Larson Sec 4.4 Ex 6)

**Class Exercise 11.** Solve the logarithmic equation: (a)  $5 + 2 \ln x = 4$   
(b)  $2 \log_5 3x = 4$     (c)  $\ln(x-2) + \ln(2x-3) = 2 \ln x$ . (Larson Sec 4.4 Ex 7, 8, 9)

### Inverse Trigonometric Functions

The **inverse sine function** is defined by

$$y = \sin^{-1}x \text{ if and only if } \sin y = x$$

where  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$  and  $-\pi/2 \leq y \leq \pi/2$ . The domain of  $y = \sin^{-1}x$  is  $[-1,1]$ , and the range is  $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ .

The **inverse cosine function** is defined by

$$y = \cos^{-1}x \text{ if and only if } \cos y = x$$

where  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq y \leq \pi$ . The domain of  $y = \cos^{-1}x$  is  $[-1,1]$ , and the range is  $[0, \pi]$ .

The **inverse tangent function** is defined by

$$y = \tan^{-1}x \text{ if and only if } \tan y = x$$

where  $-\infty < x < \infty$  and  $-\pi/2 < y < \pi/2$ . The domain of  $y = \tan^{-1}x$  is  $(-\infty, \infty)$ , and the range is  $(-\pi/2, \pi/2)$ .

**Exercise 14.** Find the exact value of each expression: (a)  $\tan^{-1}(1/\sqrt{3})$     (b)  $\sec^{-1}2$  (#64)

**Class Exercise 12.** Find the exact value of each expression. (#66, 68)  
(a)  $\cot^{-1}(-\sqrt{3})$     (b)  $\arccos(-\frac{1}{2})$     (c)  $\tan(\sec^{-1}4)$     (d)  $\sin(2 \sin^{-1}(\frac{3}{5}))$

Homework: 1, 5, 9, 15, 19, 23, 27, 33, 41, 45, 51-71 (every 4th)