



## FUNCTIONS

**1** The domain of each of the following functions is  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . For each function, find its inverse  $f^{-1}(x)$ .

**a**  $f : x \rightarrow 10x + 3$

**b**  $f : x \rightarrow 9 + 2x$

**c**  $f : x \rightarrow 5 - 6x$

**d**  $f : x \rightarrow \frac{x+3}{4}$

**e**  $f : x \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}(2x - 5)$

**f**  $f : x \rightarrow 8 - \frac{3}{5}x$

**2** For each function, find  $f^{-1}(x)$  and state its domain.

**a**  $f(x) \equiv \ln x, x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0$

**b**  $f(x) \equiv \frac{1}{x}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$

**c**  $f(x) \equiv \sqrt[4]{x}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0$

**d**  $f(x) \equiv 3x - 4, x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 \leq x < 3$

**e**  $f(x) \equiv \frac{1}{x-5}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 5$

**f**  $f(x) \equiv 2 + \frac{1}{x}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$

**3** For each of the following functions,

**i** find, in the form  $f^{-1} : x \rightarrow \dots$ , the inverse function of  $f$  and state its domain,

**ii** sketch  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = f^{-1}(x)$  on the same set of axes.

**a**  $f : x \rightarrow 2x + 1, x \in \mathbb{R}$

**b**  $f : x \rightarrow \frac{1-x}{5}, x \in \mathbb{R}$

**c**  $f : x \rightarrow \frac{10}{x}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$

**d**  $f : x \rightarrow x^2, x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0$

**e**  $f : x \rightarrow e^x, x \in \mathbb{R}$

**f**  $f : x \rightarrow x^3, x \in \mathbb{R}$

**4** For each of the following, solve the equation  $f^{-1}(x) = g(x)$ .

**a**  $f : x \rightarrow 5x + 1, x \in \mathbb{R}$

$g : x \rightarrow 2, x \in \mathbb{R}$

**b**  $f : x \rightarrow \frac{2x-4}{3}, x \in \mathbb{R}$

$g : x \rightarrow 7 - x, x \in \mathbb{R}$

**c**  $f : x \rightarrow e^x + 2, x \in \mathbb{R}$

$g : x \rightarrow \ln(3x - 8), x \in \mathbb{R}, x > \frac{8}{3}$

**d**  $f : x \rightarrow \sqrt{x+2}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq -2$

$g : x \rightarrow 3x - 4, x \in \mathbb{R}$

**e**  $f : x \rightarrow \frac{4}{x+3}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -3$

$g : x \rightarrow 5(x+1), x \in \mathbb{R}$

**5** The function  $f$  is defined by  $f : x \rightarrow 4 - 2x, x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**a** Sketch  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = f^{-1}(x)$  on the same set of axes.

**b** Find the coordinates of the point where the lines  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = f^{-1}(x)$  intersect.

**6** The functions  $f$  and  $g$  are defined by

$f : x \rightarrow 3 - 2x, x \in \mathbb{R}$

$g : x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2x+4}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -2$

**a** Find  $g^{-1}(x)$  and state its domain and range.

**b** Express  $gf$  in terms of  $x$  and state its domain.

**c** Solve the equation  $gf(x) = f^{-1}(x)$ .

**7** The functions  $f$  and  $g$  are defined by

$f : x \rightarrow 5x + 2, x \in \mathbb{R}$

$g : x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$

**a** Find the following functions, stating the domain in each case.

**i**  $f^{-1}$

**ii**  $fg$

**iii**  $(fg)^{-1}$

**b** Solve the equation  $f^{-1}(x) = fg(x)$ , giving your answers correct to 2 decimal places.

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- 8** For each of the following functions, find the inverse function in the form  $f^{-1}: x \rightarrow \dots$  and state its domain.

a  $f: x \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \ln(4x - 9)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x > 2\frac{1}{4}$

b  $f: x \rightarrow \frac{x-2}{x+5}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \neq -5$

c  $f: x \rightarrow e^{0.4x-2}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

d  $f: x \rightarrow \sqrt[3]{x^5 - 3}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

e  $f: x \rightarrow \log_{10}(2 - 7x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x < \frac{2}{7}$

f  $f: x \rightarrow \frac{4-x}{3x+2}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \neq -\frac{2}{3}$

- 9** For each of the following functions,

i find, in the form  $f^{-1}: x \rightarrow \dots$ , the inverse function of  $f$  and state its domain,

ii sketch  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = f^{-1}(x)$  on the same set of axes.

a  $f: x \rightarrow e^{2x}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

b  $f: x \rightarrow x^2 + 4$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x > 0$

c  $f: x \rightarrow \ln(x - 3)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x > 3$

d  $f: x \rightarrow x^2 + 6x + 9$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x > -3$

- 10** For each of the following functions,

i find the range of  $f$ ,

ii find  $f^{-1}(x)$ , stating its domain.

a  $f(x) \equiv x^2 + 6x + 3$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x < -3$

b  $f(x) \equiv x^2 - 4x + 5$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \geq 2$

c  $f(x) \equiv x^2 + 5x - 2$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x < -2\frac{1}{2}$

d  $f(x) \equiv x^2 - 3x + 5$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $2 < x < 4$

e  $f(x) \equiv (2 - x)(4 + x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \geq -1$

f  $f(x) \equiv 20x - 5x^2$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x > 2$

- 11** For each of the following, solve the equation  $f^{-1}(x) = g(x)$ .

a  $f: x \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}(2x - 5)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$        $g: x \rightarrow \frac{4}{2-x}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \neq 2$

b  $f: x \rightarrow \ln \frac{x+3}{5}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x > -3$        $g: x \rightarrow 10 - 6e^{-x}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

c  $f: x \rightarrow x^2 - 4$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x > 0$        $g: x \rightarrow \frac{x+6}{3}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

- 12** The function  $f$  is defined by

$$f: x \rightarrow \frac{x+b}{x+a}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq 2.$$

a State the value of the constant  $a$ .

Given that  $f(6) = 4$ ,

b find the value of the constant  $b$ ,

c find  $f^{-1}(x)$  and state its domain.

- 13** The functions  $f$  and  $g$  are defined by

$$f: x \rightarrow x^2 - 3x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 1\frac{1}{2},$$

$$g: x \rightarrow 2x + 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

a Find, in the form  $f^{-1}: x \rightarrow \dots$ , the inverse function of  $f$  and state its domain.

b On the same set of axes, sketch  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = f^{-1}(x)$ .

Given that  $f^{-1}g^{-1}(12) = a(1 + \sqrt{3})$ ,

c show that  $a = 1\frac{1}{2}$ .