

## WARM UP

1. The average rate of change of  $f(x) = x^3$  over the interval  $[a, b]$  is

- A)  $3b + 3a$                       D)  $\frac{b^3 - a^3}{2}$   
B)  $b^2 + ab + a^2$                 E)  $\frac{b^4 - a^4}{4(b - a)}$   
C)  $\frac{b^2 + a^2}{2}$

2. Find  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan\left(\frac{5\pi}{6} + h\right) - \tan\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)}{h}$

## Derivatives of Inverses

Objective:

- Find the derivatives of inverse functions.

Often, we name an inverse function  $f^{-1}(x)$  as  $g(x)$ . If we then let  $f^{-1}(x) = g(x)$ , then the domain of  $f$  is the range of  $g$ , and the domain of  $g$  is the range of  $f$ .

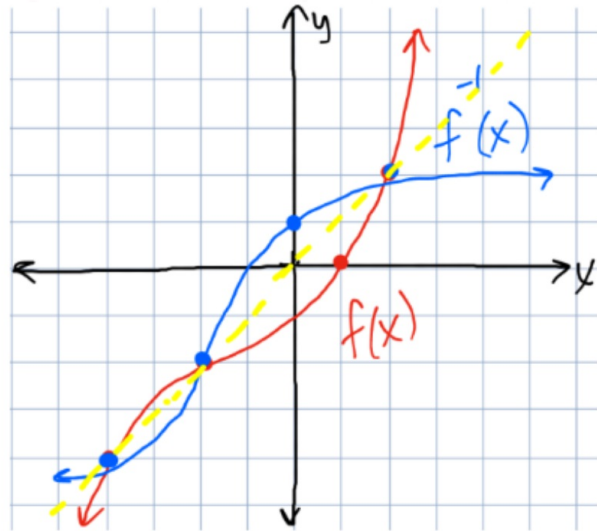
$f(a) = b$  means  $g(b) = a$ . The ordered pairs  $f:(a,b)$  and  $g:(b,a)$  are **corresponding points**.

A function  $g(x)$  is said to be the inverse function of the function  $f(x)$  if:

$f(g(x)) = x = g(f(x))$  for all  $x$  in the domain of  $f$  and  $g$ .

**Graphical consequence of Inverse Functions:**

The graphs of a function  $f(x)$  and its inverse  $f^{-1}(x)$  are reflections of each other across the line  $y = x$ .



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Let  $f$  and  $g$  be inverse functions, such that  $f(g(x)) = x = g(f(x))$  with  $f(a) = b$  and  $g(b) = a$ , then

$$g'(b) = \frac{1}{f'(a)}$$

Ex. 1: Given  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 1$ , find:

a)  $f(1)$

b)  $f'(1)$

c)  $(f^{-1})'(3)$

Ex.2:

If  $f(x) = x^5 + 2x - 1$

(a) Find  $f(1)$

(b) Find  $(f^{-1})'(2)$

Ex.3:

If  $m(n(x)) = x = n(m(n))$  and  $m(5) = -9$   
and  $m'(5) = -8/11$ , then find  $n'(-9)$

Ex.4: Let  $f$  be a differentiable function with the following values.

$x$	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
3	15	-8
6	3	-2

The function  $g$  is a differentiable and  $g(x) = f^{-1}(x)$  for all  $x$ . What is the value  $g'(3)$ ?

Ex.5: Selected values of differentiable functions  $f$ ,  $g$ , and  $f'$  are given below. If  $f(g(x)) = x = g(f(x))$ , find  $g'(-3)$ .

$x$	$f(x)$	$f'(x)$	$g(x)$
-3	4	6	7
4	-8	-2	-3
7	-3	2	9