

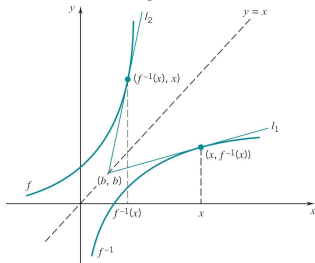
# Lecture 1

## Section 7.1 One-To-One Functions; Inverses

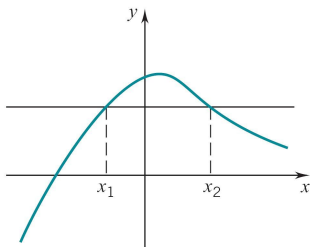
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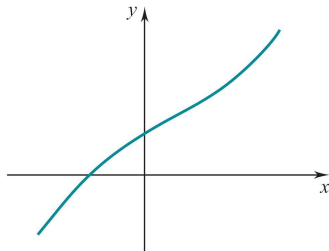
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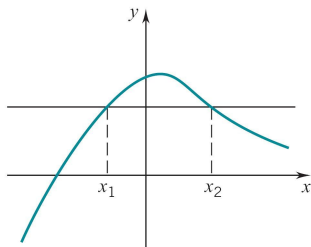
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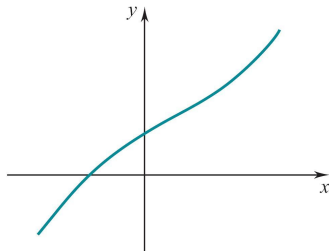
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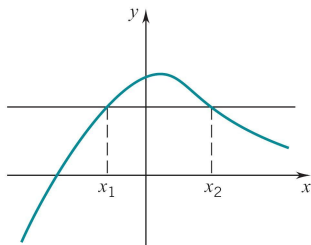
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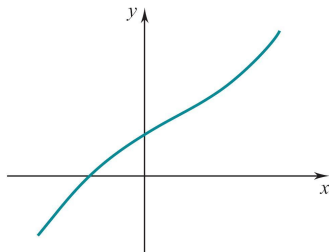
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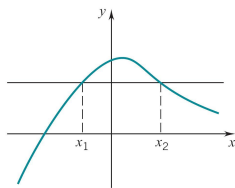
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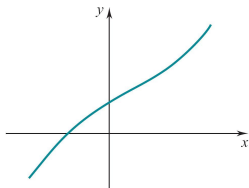
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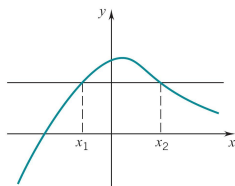
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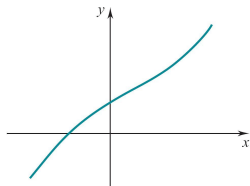
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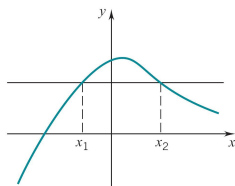
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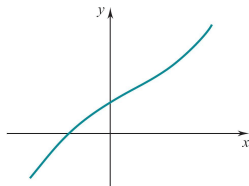
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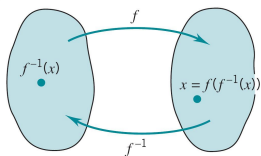
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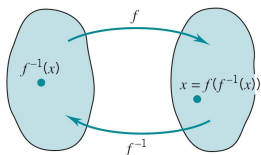
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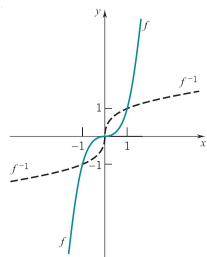
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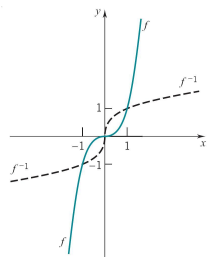
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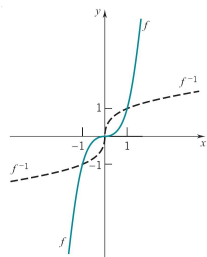
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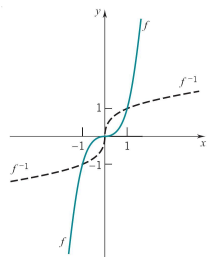
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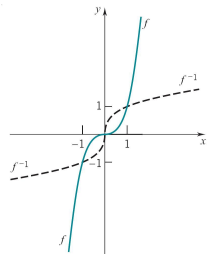
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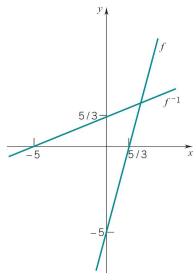
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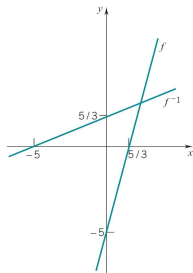
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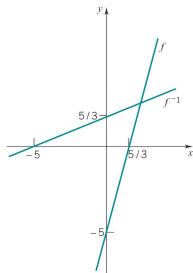
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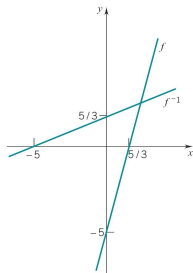
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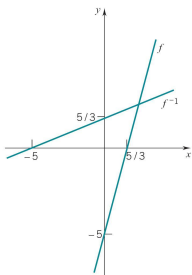
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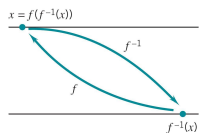




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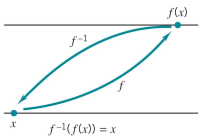
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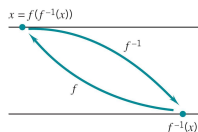
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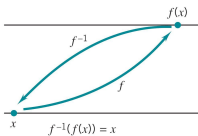
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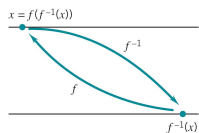
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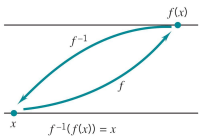
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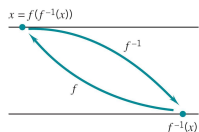
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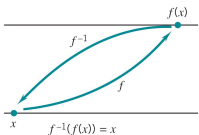
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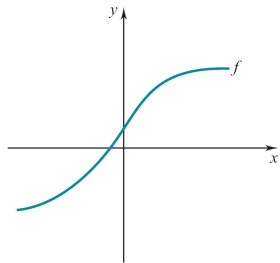
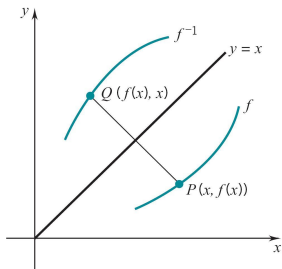
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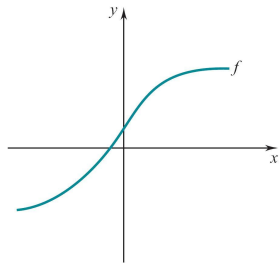
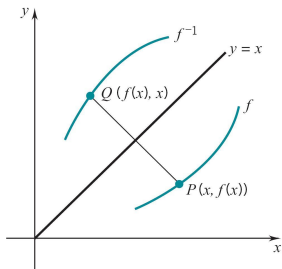
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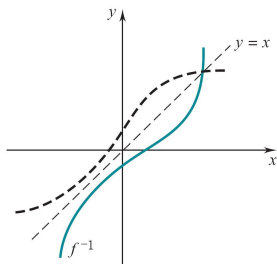
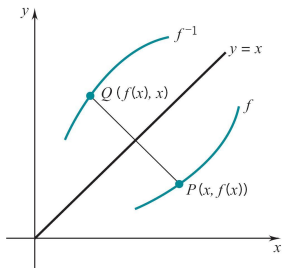
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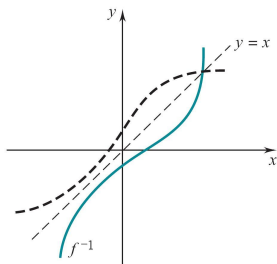
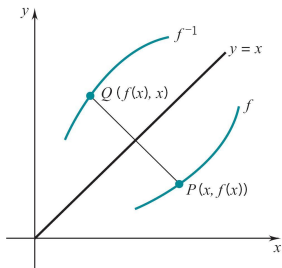
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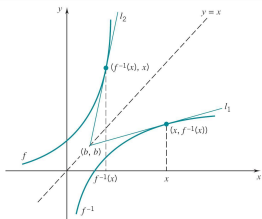
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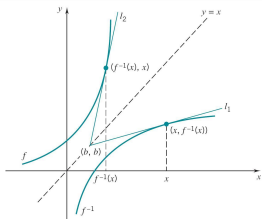
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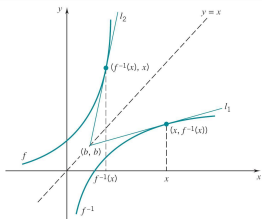
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we only need the value of  $x$  s.t.  $f(x) = y$ , not the inverse function  $f^{-1}$ , which may not be known explicitly.



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