# 1.5 Inverse functions & logarithms

- 1. inverse function 反函數  $f^{-1}(x)$
- 2. logarithmic function 對數函數 log<sub>a</sub> x
- 3. inverse trigonometric function 反三角函數 arcsin or sin<sup>-1</sup>

## 0.1 Inverse function

A mapping 映射 f from domain 定義域 D to range 值域 R has three types:

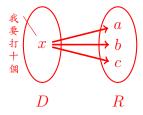
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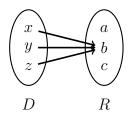
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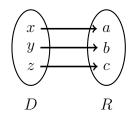
2. maps many to one 多對一

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3. maps one to one 一對一 同時段(1GH4CD/2CD5EF/2IJ4IJ) 的教室。





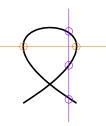


A **function**  $\boxtimes$   $\emptyset$  is a mapping without the type of one to many, and is

- 1. *one-to-one* (injective, an injection) 一對一 (單射) if  $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$  whenever  $x_1 \neq x_2$ .  $\Longrightarrow |D| \leq |R|$ . (人人點不同菜。)
- 2. **onto** (surjective, a surjection) 映成 (滿射) if  $\forall y \in R, \exists x \in D, \ni f(x) = y. \implies |D| \ge |R|$ . (道道菜有人點。)
- 3.  $one-to-one \ \mathcal{E} \ onto$  (bijective, a bijection) 一對一且映成 (雙射)  $\implies |D| = |R|.$  (點好點滿。)
- ♦: 證明正整數, 整數, 偶數, 有理數一樣多  $(|\mathbb{N}|=|\mathbb{Z}|=|2\mathbb{Z}|=|\mathbb{Q}|)$ : 找雙射。

Vertical line test: f(x) is a function  $\iff y = f(x)$  intersects any vertical line x = k at most one point. (是函數  $\iff$  任垂直線最多交一點。)

Horizontal line test: f(x) is one-to-one  $\iff y = f(x)$  intersects any horizontal line y = c at most one point. (一對一  $\iff$  任水平線最多交一點。)



**Define:** The *inverse function* 反函數 of a *one-to-one* function

$$f: D \to R \text{ is } \boxed{f-1}$$
:  $R \to D \text{ s.t. } \boxed{f^{-1}(y) = x \iff f(x) = y}$ .

- 1.  $f^{-1}(f(x)) = x, \forall x \in D.$ 2.  $f(f^{-1}(y)) = y, \forall y \in R.$ 3.  $f^{-1}$  is one-to-one.

Attention: 
$$f^{-1}(x) \neq \frac{1}{f(x)} = [f(x)]^{-1}.$$

How to solve  $f^{-1}(x)$ : (A 先變再換, B 先換再變; 最好固定一種) A1. write y = f(x); A2. become x = g(y); A3. exchange x, y to obtain  $\sum_{x \in S} f(x) = f(x)$ B1. write x = f(y); B2. become y = g(x); B3.  $f^{-1}(x) = g(x)$ .

Skill: 怎麼變? 加對減 乘對除 冪次對開根 x對y D對R 指數對對數 天對地 雨對風 大陸對長空 山花對海樹 赤日對蒼穹 雷陰陰 霧濛濛 日下對天中 風高秋月白 雨霽晚霞紅 —《笠翁對韻》

**Example 0.1**  $f(x) = x^3 + 2$ ,  $f^{-1}(x) = ?$ 

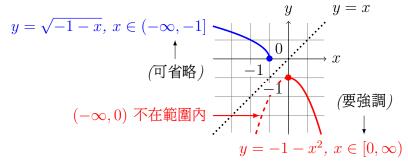
$$A. y = f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^3 + 2 \xrightarrow{(-2)} \mathbf{x}^3 = y - 2 \xrightarrow{(\sqrt[3]{})} \mathbf{x} = \sqrt[3]{y - 2},$$
 交換  $\mathbf{x}$  與  $\mathbf{y}$ .
$$B. \mathbf{x} = f(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{y}^3 + 2 \xrightarrow{y^3} \mathbf{y}^3 = \mathbf{x} - 2 \xrightarrow{y} \mathbf{y} = \sqrt[3]{\mathbf{x} - 2}.$$

$$\implies f^{-1}(\mathbf{x}) = \sqrt[3]{\mathbf{x} - 2}.$$

How to draw  $f^{-1}(x)$ :  $(y, f^{-1}(y)) = (f(x), x),$ y = f(x) 與  $y = f^{-1}(x)$  的圖形對稱於 y = x (過原點 45° 直線).

Example 0.2 Draw  $\sqrt{-1-x}$ .

 $\sqrt{-1-x}: (-\infty,-1] \to [0,\infty),$  是  $-1-x^2$  的反函數 (反函數是  $-1-x^2$ ).  $Draw \ y = -1 - x^2 \ for \ x \in [0, \infty)$  (注意範圍), 再對稱 y = x 畫.



## 0.2 Logarithms

**Define:** The *logarithmic function of base* a (以 a 爲底的對數函數),

$$|\log_a x, a > 0, a \neq 1|_{:(0,\infty) \to (-\infty,\infty)}$$

is the inverse function of  $f(x) = a^x$ . ("log(arithm) of x to the base a")

$$\boxed{\log_{\mathbf{a}} y = x \iff \mathbf{a}^x = y}$$
 對<sub>底</sub>真 = 指  $\iff$  底<sup>指</sup> = 真

Note:  $a^x$  要 a>0,  $\log_a x$  不只要 a>0, 還要  $a\neq 1$  才有 one-to-one.  $\log_a(a^x)=x, \, \forall \, x\in (-\infty,\infty)$  (或  $x\in \mathbb{R}$ );  $a^{\log_a y}=y, \, \forall \, y\in (0,\infty)$  (或 y>0).

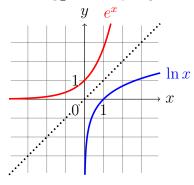
**Define:** Natural logarithm 自然對數: ("natural log(arithm) of x")

$$f(x) = \ln x = \log_e x$$

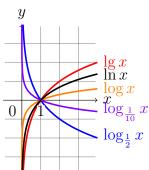
以 e 爲底的對數函數 (自然指數函數  $e^x$  的反函數:  $\ln y = x \iff e^x = y$ .)

Note:  $[\ln e^x = x]$ ,  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ ;  $[e^{\ln y} = y]$ ,  $\forall y > 0$ .

 $\log x = \log_{10} x$  common logarithm 常用對數, in science and engineering.  $\lg x = \log_2 x$  binary logarithm 二元對數, in computer science.







Law of logarithms 對數律:  $a > 0, a \neq 1, x, y > 0.$   $(a^b = x, a^c = y)$ 

- 1. 乘:  $\log_a xy = \log_a x + \log_a y$ . ( $\iff a^b \times a^c = a^{b+c}$ )
- 2. 除:  $\log_a x/y = \log_a x \log_a y$ . ( $\iff a^b/a^c = a^{b-c}$ )
- 3. 冪次:  $\log_a x^r = r \log_a x$  for  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ .  $(\iff (a^b)^r = a^{rb})$

#### ♦ History:

• 200 B.C. Archimedes(阿基米德) 發現:

$$1, 10, 100, 1000, \cdots$$
  
 $0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ 

可以用第二列的加減表示第一列的乘除. . . . . . . . .  $(\log_a x + \log_a y = \log_a xy)$ 

● 1544 Michael Stifel(斯基弗, 1487–1567) 在《Arithmetica Integra》中首次使用 exponent(指數) 這個字, 並寫道:

還可以用第二列的乘除代替第一列的冪次與開根. . . . . . . .  $(\log_a x^r = r \log_a x)$ 

● 1614 John Napier (納皮爾, 1550–1617) 發表歷史上第一張對數表. 他花了 20 年解

$$N = 10^7 (1 - 10^{-7})^L$$
 for  $N = 5 \sim 10^7$ ,

也就是解

$$L = \text{Naplog}(N) = \log_{1-10^{-7}}(\frac{N}{10^7}) = 10^7 \log_{(1-10^{-7})^{10^7}}(\frac{N}{10^7})$$

其中的

$$(1 - 10^{-7})^{10^7} = 0.9999999^{10000000} \approx e^{-1},$$

所以

Naplog(N) 
$$\approx -10^7 \ln(\frac{N}{10^7})$$
.

後來他想到應該以 10 爲底, 可惜命不夠長. . . . . . . . . . . . . .  $(\log_x y = \frac{\log_a y}{\log_a x})$ 

● 1620 Jost Bürgi (比爾吉, 1552–1632) 發表《Progreß Tabulen》羅列

$$(1.0001)^n$$
 for  $0 \le n \le 23027$ .

- 1624 Henry Briggs (1555–1631), Napier 的朋友, 繼承其遺志發表 1–20,000 & 90,000–100,000 的 14位數對數表 (of base 10); 1627 Ezechiel de Decker with Adriaan Valcq 補上 20,000–90,000.
- 1727 Leonhard Euler (歐拉, 1707–1783) 命名 e = 2.718281828..., 1730 發表用極限定義自然指數與自然對數函數:

$$e^x = \lim_{n \to \infty} (1 + \frac{x}{n})^n$$
 &  $\ln x = \lim_{n \to \infty} n(x^{\frac{1}{n}} - 1).$ 

Change base formula 換底公式:  $a > 0, a \neq 1, b > 0, b \neq 1, x > 0.$ 

$$\log_{\mathbf{a}} x = \frac{\log_b x}{\log_b \mathbf{a}}.$$

**Proof.** Let  $y = \log_a x \iff a^y = x$ , then

$$\log_b x = \log_b a^y \quad \text{(inverse function)}$$

$$= y \log_b a \quad \text{(logarithmic law)}$$

$$= \log_a x \log_b a,$$

$$\implies \log_a x = \log_b x / \log_b a.$$

Note: 換底的好處 — 不用對每種底做對數表: 
$$\ln 2 \approx 0.7$$
,  $\ln 10 \approx 2.3$ . Then  $\log 2 = \frac{\ln 2}{\ln 10} \approx \frac{7}{23}$ ,  $\lg 10 = \frac{\ln 10}{\ln 2} \approx \frac{23}{7}$ .

**Example 0.3**  $f(x) = e^{x+1} + 2$ , solve and draw  $f^{-1}(x)$ .

$$Let \ x = e^{y+1} + 2 \iff x - 2 = e^{y+1} \iff \ln(x-2) = y+1$$

$$\iff f^{-1}(x) = y = \ln(x-2) - 1. \ (注意括號: \ln x - 2 \neq \ln(x-2).)$$

$$f(x) : \mathbb{R} \to (2,\infty), \ f^{-1}(x) : (2,\infty) \to \mathbb{R}.$$

$$y \qquad y = e^{x}$$

$$y \qquad y = e^{x+1}$$

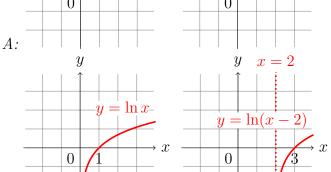
$$(-1,1)$$

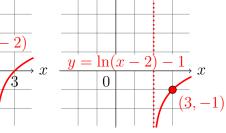
$$y \qquad y = e^{x+1} + 2$$

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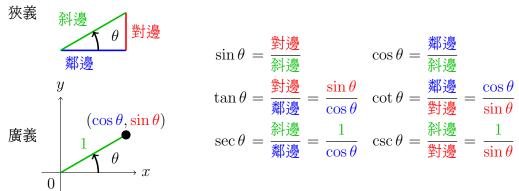




x = 2

## 0.3 Inverse trigonometric function

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Trigonometric 三角函數  $f(x) \in \{\sin x, \cos x, \tan x, \cot x, \sec x, \csc x\}$  是 periodic 週期函數  $(f(x+2\pi)=f(x)), x \in \mathbb{R}$ , 不是 one-to-one, 所以要限制定義域, 使 f(x) 變成 one-to-one, 才能考慮反函數.

Define: The inverse function of restricted sine function is called the inverse sine function,  $\mathbf{Sin}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}$ , or the arcsine function,

 $\mathbf{arcsin} \ x$  . (受限制的正弦函數的反函數=反正弦函數)

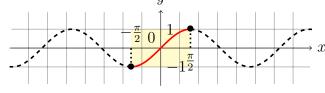
function	restricted domain	range	inverse
$\sin x$	$\left[-\frac{\pi}{2},\frac{\pi}{2}\right]$	$\left[-1,1\right]$	$\sin^{-1} x = \arcsin x$
$\cos x$	$\left[0,\pi\right]$	$\left[-1,1\right]$	$\cos^{-1} x = \arccos x$
$\tan x$	$\left(-\frac{\pi}{2},\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$	$\left(-\infty,\infty\right)$	$\tan^{-1} x = \arctan x$
$\cot x$	$(0,\pi)$	$\left(-\infty,\infty\right)$	$\cot^{-1} x$
$\sec x$	$\left[0,\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cup \left[\pi,\frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$	$\left[ \left( -\infty, -1 \right] \cup \left[ 1, \infty \right) \right]$	$\sec^{-1} x$
$\csc x$	$\left(0,\frac{\pi}{2}\right]\cup\left(\pi,\frac{3\pi}{2}\right]$	$\left(-\infty,-1\right]\cup\left[1,\infty\right)$	$\csc^{-1} x$

Attention: 
$$\sin^n x = (\sin x)^n$$
 for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\sin^{-1} x \neq \frac{1}{\sin x} = (\sin x)^{-1}$ .

1. Sine 正弦  $\sin x : \mathbb{R} \to [-1, 1]$  (廣義).





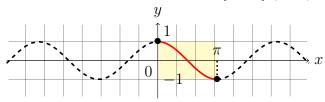


$$\sin x: [-\tfrac{\pi}{2}, \tfrac{\pi}{2}] \rightarrow [-1, 1]$$

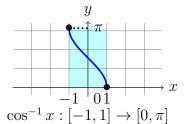
$$\sin^{-1} x : [-1, 1] \to [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$$

$$\sin^{-1}(\sin x) = x, \ \forall \ x \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}] \text{ and } \sin(\sin^{-1} y) = y, \ \forall \ y \in [-1, 1].$$

2. Cosine 餘弦  $\cos x : \mathbb{R} \to [-1, 1]$  (廣義).

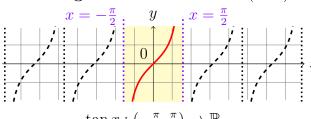


 $\cos x:[0,\pi]\to[-1,1]$ 

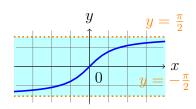




3. Tangent 正切  $\tan x : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  (廣義).



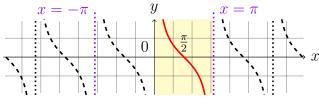
 $\tan x: \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \to \mathbb{R}$ 



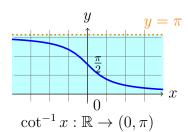
 $\tan^{-1} x : \mathbb{R} \to \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ 



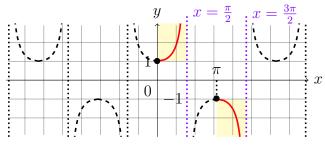
4. Cotangent 餘切  $\cot x : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  (廣義).



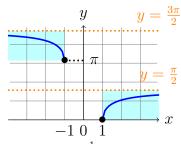
 $\cot x:(0,\pi)\to\mathbb{R}$ 



5. Secant 正割  $\sec x : \mathbb{R} \to (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$  (廣義).



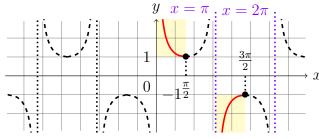
$$\sec x : [0, \frac{\pi}{2}) \cup [\pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}) \to (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$$



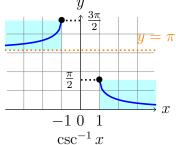
$$\sec^{-1} x \\ : |x| \ge 1 \to [0, \frac{\pi}{2}) \cup [\pi, \frac{3\pi}{2})$$

6. Cosecant 餘割  $\csc x : \mathbb{R} \to (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$  (廣義).





 $\csc x: \left(0, \tfrac{\pi}{2}\right] \cup \left(\pi, \tfrac{3\pi}{2}\right] \to \left(-\infty, -1\right] \cup \left[1, \infty\right)$ 



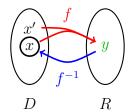
$$: |x| \ge 1 \to (0, \frac{\pi}{2}] \cup (\pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}]$$

Question: 一定要限制在這些區間嗎?

Answer: 不一定, 只要能 one-to-one 就好.

Question: 爲什麼要限制在這些區間?

**Answer:** see §3.5, §7.3.



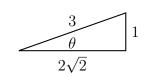
(Fill by yourself:

n	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$\sin^{-1}(\sin n)$	1							
$\cos^{-1}(\cos n)$	1							
$\tan^{-1}(\tan n)$	1							
$\cot^{-1}(\cot n)$	1							
$\sec^{-1}(\sec n)$	1							
$\csc^{-1}(\csc n)$	1							

hint:  $\sin(\pi - \theta) = \sin \theta$ ,  $\cos(-\theta) = \cos \theta$ ,  $\tan(\pi + \theta) = \tan \theta$ .

**Example 0.4** (a)  $\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2} = ?$  (b)  $\tan(\arcsin \frac{1}{3}) = ?$ 

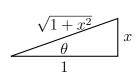
(a) Let 
$$x = \sin^{-1} \frac{1}{2} \iff \sin x = \frac{1}{2}$$
,  
 $x = (2k + \frac{1}{6})\pi$  or  $(2k + \frac{5}{6})\pi$ , only  $\frac{\pi}{6} \in \left[ -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$ .  
(b) Let  $\theta = \arcsin \frac{1}{3} \in \left[ -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right] \iff \sin \theta = \frac{1}{3}$ ,  
 $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3^2 - 1^2}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}$ .



Example 0.5 Simplify  $\cos(\tan^{-1} x)$ .

$$Let \ \theta = \tan^{-1} x \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \iff \tan \theta = x.$$

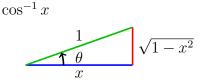
$$\sec^2 \theta = 1 + \tan^2 \theta, \sec \theta = \sqrt{1 + \tan^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 + x^2}.$$
(負不合, ::  $\theta \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ ,  $\sec \theta \ge 1 > 0.$ )
::  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sec \theta} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + x^2}}.$ 
[Another method]: See diagram.



Skill: Diagram: Inverse  $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \sin / \ tangent / secant \\ \cos ine/cotangent/cosecant \end{array} \right\}$  function

$$\sin^{-1} x$$

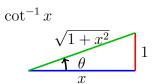
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}x$$



$$\tan^{-1} x$$

$$\sqrt{1+x^2}$$

$$1$$



$$\sec^{-1} x$$

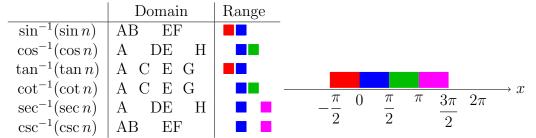
$$x$$

$$\sqrt{x^2 - 1}$$

$$\frac{x}{\theta}$$
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## ♦ Additional: Answer

A	n	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$\overline{B}$	$\pi - n$	2.14	1.14	0.14	-0.86	-1.86	-2.86	-3.86	-4.86
C	$n-\pi$	-2.14	-1.14	-0.14	0.86	1.86	2.86	3.86	4.86
$\overline{D}$	$2\pi - n$	5.28	4.28	3.28	2.28	1.28	0.28	-0.72	-1.72
$\overline{E}$	$n-2\pi$	-5.28	-4.28	-3.28	-2.28	-1.28	-0.28	0.72	1.72
$\overline{F}$	$3\pi - n$	8.42	7.42	6.42	5.42	4.42	3.42	2.42	1.42
$\overline{G}$	$n-3\pi$	-8.42	-7.42	-6.42	-5.42	-4.42	-3.42	-2.42	-1.42
$\overline{H}$	$4\pi - n$	11.56	10.56	9.56	8.56	7.56	6.56	5.56	4.56



How to read tables:

- 1. Find  $\cos^{-1}(\cos 5)$ : Look the column of n=5 in the 1st table.
- 2. In the 2nd table  $\cos^{-1}(\cos n)$  domain ADEH

$$(\because \cos 5 = \cos(2\pi - 5) = \cos(5 - 2\pi) = \cos(4\pi - 5))$$
:

Look numbers in rows ADEH  $\{5, 1.28, -1.28, 7.56\}$ .

3.  $\cos^{-1}(\cos n)$  range blue $(0 \sim \pi/2)$  and green $(\pi/2 \sim \pi)$ :

Find the number of color blue or green 1.28 in the row D  $(2\pi - n)$ .

4. 
$$\cos^{-1}(\cos 5) = 2\pi - 5$$
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n	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$\sin^{-1}(\sin n)$	1	$\pi-2$	$\pi - 3$	$\pi-4$	$5-2\pi$	$6-2\pi$	$7-2\pi$	$3\pi - 8$
$\cos^{-1}(\cos n)$	1	2	3	$2\pi-4$	$2\pi-5$	$2\pi-6$	$7-2\pi$	$8-2\pi$
$\tan^{-1}(\tan n)$	1	$2-\pi$	$3-\pi$	$4-\pi$	$5-2\pi$	$6-2\pi$	$7-2\pi$	$8-3\pi$
$\cot^{-1}(\cot n)$	1	2	3	$4-\pi$	$5-\pi$	$6-\pi$	$7-2\pi$	$8-2\pi$
$\sec^{-1}(\sec n)$	1	$2\pi-2$	$2\pi - 3$	4	$2\pi-5$	$2\pi-6$	$7-2\pi$	$4\pi - 8$
$\csc^{-1}(\csc n)$	1	$\pi-2$	$\pi-3$	4	$3\pi - 5$	$3\pi - 6$	$7-2\pi$	$3\pi - 8$

(Find by yourself:

 $\sin(\sin^{-1}1), \cos(\cos^{-1}1), \tan(\tan^{-1}1), \cot(\cot^{-1}1), \sec(\sec^{-1}1), \csc(\csc^{-1}1) = ?)$