

# MTH140 Lab 3

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## Structure of Today's Lab

- Collaborative Problem Solving & Take-up: As usual, 1hr 20 minutes.
- Lab Progress Check: Last 30 minutes of lab.
- You only have 20 minutes to write the quiz.
- Question will be displayed on the projector.
- No calculators or electronic devices during the quiz.
- Please use your own paper for calculations.

# Learning Objectives

**This lab's problem set will help you achieve the following learning outcomes:**

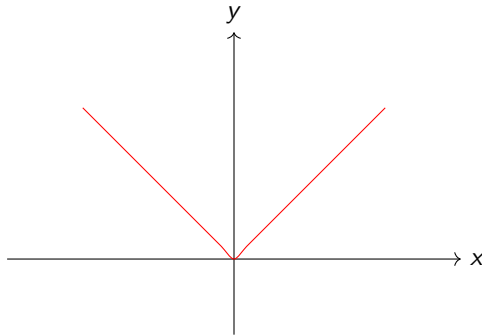
- Use the horizontal line test to determine if a function is one-to-one.
- Find inverse functions for given functions, and consider domain restrictions when finding inverse functions.
- Sketch the graph of an inverse function based on the original function's graph.
- Use function composition to determine if two functions are inverses of each other.
- Convert logarithmic equations into exponential form.
- Use logarithmic and exponential identities.
- Sketch the graph of a given function.
- Determine the domain, range, and horizontal asymptote of a function.

# Exercise 1: Horizontal Line Test

**Problem:** Use the horizontal line test to determine if **(a)** the absolute value function and **(b)** the logarithmic function are one-to-one.

- **(a) Absolute Value Function:**

- Function:  $f(x) = |x|$
- Graph:

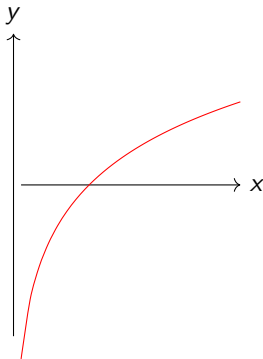


- Conclusion: The absolute value function is not one-to-one because horizontal lines intersect it more than once.

# Exercise 1: Horizontal Line Test (contd.)

- **(b) Logarithmic Function:**

- Function:  $g(x) = \ln(x)$
- Graph:



- Conclusion: The logarithmic function is one-to-one because no horizontal line intersects it more than once.

## Exercise 2: Finding Inverse Functions

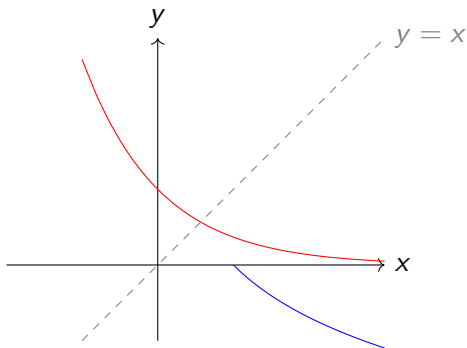
**Problem:** Find the inverse functions of the following functions:

- **(a):** Find the Inverse of  $f(x) = (x - 1)^2$  with  $x \leq 1$ 
  - Step 1: Write  $y = (x - 1)^2$
  - Step 2: Swap  $x$  and  $y$ :  $x = (y - 1)^2$
  - Step 3: Solve for  $y$ :  $\sqrt{(y - 1)^2} = y - 1 = \pm\sqrt{x}$ . We must choose the negative square root here.
  - Step 4: Isolate  $y$ :  $y = 1 - \sqrt{x}$
  - Step 5: Determine the Domain:  $x \leq 1$
  - Step 6: Write the Inverse Function:  $f^{-1}(x) = 1 - \sqrt{x}$ , where  $x \leq 1$ .  
Note that this could also be correctly written as  $f^{-1}(y) = 1 - \sqrt{y}$
- **(b):** Find the Inverse of  $g(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$ 
  - Step 1: Write  $y = \frac{1}{x+2}$
  - Step 2: Swap  $x$  and  $y$ :  $x = \frac{1}{y+2}$
  - Step 3: Solve for  $y$ :  $y + 2 = \frac{1}{x}$
  - Step 4: Isolate  $y$ :  $y = \frac{1}{x} - 2$
  - Step 5: Determine the Domain:  $x \neq 0$
  - Step 6: Write the Inverse Function:  $g^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{x} - 2$ , where  $x \neq 0$

## Exercise 3: Sketching Inverse Functions

**Problem:** Use the graph of  $y = e^{-x}$  to sketch its inverse function.

**Solution:**



## Exercise 3: Sketching Inverse Functions (contd.)

- 1 Given Function:  $y = e^{-x}$
- 2 Swap  $x$  and  $y$ :  $x = e^{-y}$
- 3 Solve for  $y$ :

$$x = e^{-y}$$

$$\ln(x) = \ln(e^{-y})$$

$$\ln(x) = -y$$

$$y = -\ln(x)$$

- 4 Inverse Function:  $y^{-1} = -\ln(x)$

The graph of the inverse function is a reflection of  $y = e^{-x}$  over the line  $y = x$ .



## Exercise 4: Function Composition

**Problem:** Use function composition to determine if the functions  $f(x) = 8x + 3$  and  $g(x) = \frac{x-3}{8}$  are inverses.

① **(a)**  $f(x) = 8x + 3$  and  $g(x) = \frac{x-3}{8}$

- Find  $f(g(x))$ :

$$f(g(x)) = 8 \left( \frac{x-3}{8} \right) + 3 = x$$

- Conclusion:  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are inverses.

② **(b)**  $f(x) = 2x + 1$  and  $g(x) = \frac{x-1}{2}$

- Find  $f(g(x))$ :

$$f(g(x)) = 2 \left( \frac{x-1}{2} \right) + 1 = x$$

- Conclusion:  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are inverses.

③ **(c)**  $f(x) = x^2$  and  $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$

- Find  $f(g(x))$ :

$$f(g(x)) = (\sqrt{x})^2 = x$$

- Conclusion:  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are inverses.

- In conclusion, all four pairs of functions are inverses of each other.

## Exercise 5: Logarithmic Equations

**Problem:** Write the logarithmic equation  $\log_3(81) = 4$  in its exponential form.

**Solution:**  $3^4 = 81$

## Exercise 5: Logarithmic Equations (contd.)

**(b)** Rewrite the logarithmic equation in its exponential form:

$$\ln(1/e^3) = -3.$$

**Solution (b):** To rewrite the equation in exponential form, use the definition of the natural logarithm ( $\ln$ ):

$$\ln\left(\frac{1}{e^3}\right) = -3$$

This equation means that  $e$  raised to the power of  $-3$  is equal to  $\frac{1}{e^3}$ .  
Therefore,

$$e^{-3} = \frac{1}{e^3}$$

## Exercise 6: Sketching a Function

**Problem:** Sketch the graph of  $f(x) = 5^{x+1} + 2$  and find its domain, range, and horizontal asymptote.

**Solution:**

- Domain:  $(-\infty, \infty)$
- Range:  $(2, \infty)$
- Horizontal Asymptote:  $y = 2$

## Exercise 7: Logarithmic to Exponential Expressions

**Problem:** Rewrite the expression in terms of exponentials and simplify

**(a)**  $\cosh(2x) - \sinh(2x)$ .

**Solution (a):** We can rewrite the expression using exponential functions:

$$\cosh(2x) - \sinh(2x) = \frac{e^{2x} + e^{-2x}}{2} - \frac{e^{2x} - e^{-2x}}{2}$$

Simplify the expression:

$$\frac{e^{2x} + e^{-2x}}{2} - \frac{e^{2x} - e^{-2x}}{2} = e^{-2x}$$

## Exercise 7: Logarithmic to Exponential Expressions (contd.)

**(b)**  $\ln(\cosh(x) + \sinh(x)) + \ln(\cosh(x) - \sinh(x))$

**Solution:** We can rewrite the expression using exponential functions:

$$\ln(\cosh(x) + \sinh(x)) + \ln(\cosh(x) - \sinh(x))$$

Simplify the expression after plugging in exponential identities:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \ln(e^x) + \ln(e^{-x}) \\ &= x - x = 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Exercise 8: Exponential and Logarithmic Identities

**(a)** Simplify the expression:  $\log(x^4 \cdot y)$ .

**Solution (a):** To simplify this expression, we can use the logarithmic identity  $\log_a(b \cdot c) = \log_a(b) + \log_a(c)$ :

$$\log(x^4 \cdot y) = \log(x^4) + \log(y)$$

Next, we can use the power rule for logarithms,  $\log_a(b^n) = n \cdot \log_a(b)$ , to simplify further:

$$4 \log(x) + \log(y)$$

So,  $\log(x^4 \cdot y)$  simplifies to  $4 \log(x) + \log(y)$ .

## Exercise 8: Exponential and Logarithmic Identities (contd)

**(b)** Simplify the expression:  $\log_4 \left( \frac{(xy)^{1/3}}{64} \right)$ .

**Solution (b):** To simplify this expression, use the properties of logarithms. First, let's rewrite the fraction as a division inside the logarithm:

$$\log_4 \left( \frac{(xy)^{1/3}}{64} \right) = \log_4 \left( \frac{(xy)^{1/3}}{4^3} \right)$$

Now, we can use the logarithmic identity  $\log_a \left( \frac{b}{c} \right) = \log_a(b) - \log_a(c)$ :

$$\log_4 \left( \frac{(xy)^{1/3}}{4^3} \right) = \log_4((xy)^{1/3}) - \log_4(4^3)$$

Next, we can use the power rule for logarithms:

$$\frac{1}{3} \log_4(xy) - 3 \log_4(4)$$

Since  $\log_4(4)$  simplifies to 1, we have:



## Exercise 8: Exponential and Logarithmic Identities (contd)

(c) Simplify the expression:  $\ln\left(\frac{6}{\sqrt{e^3}}\right)$ .

**Solution (c):** To simplify this expression, we can use the properties of logarithms. First, let's rewrite the fraction as a division inside the natural logarithm:

$$\ln\left(\frac{6}{\sqrt{e^3}}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{6}{e^{3/2}}\right)$$

Now, we can use the logarithmic identity  $\ln\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = \ln(a) - \ln(b)$ :

$$\ln\left(\frac{6}{e^{3/2}}\right) = \ln(6) - \ln(e^{3/2})$$

Next, we know that  $\ln(e^x) = x$ , so  $\ln(e^{3/2}) = 3/2$ :

$$\ln(6) - \frac{3}{2}$$

So,  $\ln\left(\frac{6}{\sqrt{e^3}}\right)$  simplifies to  $\ln(6) - \frac{3}{2}$ .