

Chapter 3

Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

3.3 Properties of Logarithms

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Homework

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Objectives

- Use the product rule.
- Use the quotient rule.
- Use the power rule.
- Expand logarithmic expressions.
- Condense logarithmic expressions.
- Use the change-of-base property.

Why Logarithms

- Large numbers are difficult for people to assimilate. Donald Trump claims to be worth in excess of \$10 billion, the U.S. budget debt is in the trillions of dollars, but what do those numbers represent?
- Well a million seconds is about 11.5 days, a billion seconds is about 31 years, and one trillion seconds is about 31,710 years. That is the difference between a year's vacation time, the time it takes to get the kids out of the house, and the entirety of human existence.
- To change these numbers into manageable size we use logarithms. The log of 1,000,000 is 6, $\log 1,000,000,000 = 9$, and $\log 1,000,000,000,000 = 12$. 6, 9, 12 are much easier to handle. We accomplish this through the use of **exponents**.

The Product Rule

- Let b , M , and N be positive real numbers with $b \neq 1$. Then:

$$\log_b(MN) = \log_b M + \log_b N$$

- The logarithm of a product is the sum of the logarithms.
- This can be easily verified by converting to exponential form.

$$\text{Let } \log_b(M) = x \quad \log_b(N) = y \quad \text{Then } b^x = M \quad b^y = N$$

$$\log_b(MN) = \log_b(b^x \cdot b^y) = \log_b(b^{x+y}) = x + y = \log_b M + \log_b N$$

Example: Using the Product Rule

- Use the product rule to expand each logarithmic expression:

$$\log_b(MN) = \log_b M + \log_b N$$

$$\log_6(7 \cdot 11) = \log_6 7 + \log_6 11$$

$$\log 100x = \log 100 + \log x = 2 + \log x$$

$$\log_6 648 = \log_6(216 \cdot 3) = \log_6 216 + \log_6 3 = 3 + \log_6 3$$

- Solve for y : $\ln y = \ln x + \ln c = \ln(x \cdot c) \quad y = x \cdot c$

The Quotient Rule

- Let b , M , and N be positive real numbers with $b \neq 1$. Then:

$$\log_b \left(\frac{M}{N} \right) = \log_b M - \log_b N$$

- The logarithm of a quotient is the **difference** of the logarithms.
- This is simply a rewrite of the previous rule, remembering subtraction is addition of the opposite.

Example: Using the Quotient Rule

- Use the quotient rule to expand each logarithmic expression:

$$\log_8 \left(\frac{23}{x} \right) = \log_8 23 - \log_8 x$$

$$\log_b \left(\frac{M}{N} \right) = \log_b M - \log_b N$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln \left(\frac{e^5}{11} \right) &= \ln e^5 - \ln 11 \\ &= 5 - \ln 11 \end{aligned}$$

$$\log \left(\frac{\sqrt{x} \sqrt[3]{y^2}}{z^4} \right) = \log \sqrt{x} + \log \sqrt[3]{y^2} - \log z^4$$

- We will finish this in a couple of slides.

The Power Rule

- Let b , M , and N be positive real numbers with $b \neq 1$. Then:

$$\log_b M^p = p \log_b M$$

- The logarithm of a number with an exponent is the product of the exponent and the logarithm of that number.
- This can again be shown by converting to exponential form.

$$\text{Let } \log_b M = a \quad \text{Then } b^a = M$$

$$M^p = (b^a)^p = b^{pa} \quad \log_b M^p = pa = p \log_b M$$

Example: Using the Power Rule

- Use the power rule to expand each logarithmic expression:

$$\log_b M^p = p \log_b M$$

$$\log_6 3^9 = 9 \log_6 3$$

$$\ln \sqrt[3]{x} = \ln x^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{1}{3} \ln x$$

$$\log(x+4)^2 = 2 \log(x+4)$$

$$\log_{25} 5^3 = 3 \log_{25} 5 = 3 \log_{25} 25^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{3}{2} \log_{25} 25 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{x} \sqrt[3]{y^2}}{z^4} \right) &= \log \sqrt{x} + \log \sqrt[3]{y^2} - \log z^4 \\ &= \log x^{\frac{1}{2}} + \log (y^2)^{\frac{1}{3}} - \log z^4 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log x + \frac{2}{3} \log y - 4 \log z \end{aligned}$$

Properties for Expanding Logarithmic Expressions

● For $M > 0$ and $N > 0$:

● Product Rule

$$\log_b(MN) = \log_b M + \log_b N$$

● Quotient Rule

$$\log_b \left(\frac{M}{N} \right) = \log_b M - \log_b N$$

● Power Rule

$$\log_b M^p = p \log_b M$$

● Note: In every case the base remains consistent (the same).

Common Errors to Avoid

$$\log_b(M+N) \neq \log_b M + \log_b N$$

$$\log_b(MN) \neq \log_b M \cdot \log_b N$$

$$\log_b \left(\frac{M}{N} \right) \neq \frac{\log_b M}{\log_b N}$$

$$\log_b M \log_b N \neq \log_b MN$$

$$\log_b M^p \neq p \log_b M$$



Example: Expanding Logarithmic Expressions

- Expand each logarithmic expression as much as possible:

$$\begin{aligned}\log_b \left(x^4 \sqrt[3]{y} \right) &= \log_b \left(x^4 y^{\frac{1}{3}} \right) \\ &= \log_b \left(x^4 \right) + \log_b \left(y^{\frac{1}{3}} \right) \\ &= 4 \log_b x + \frac{1}{3} \log_b y\end{aligned}$$

Example

- Write the following expression in terms of logs of x and z .

$$\begin{aligned}\log\left(x\sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{x}}{z}}\right) &= \log x + \log\sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{x}}{z}} \\ &= \log x + \log\left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{z}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \log x + \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{z}\right) \\ &= \log x + \frac{1}{2}\left(\log\sqrt{x} - \log z\right) \\ &= \log x + \frac{1}{2}\left(\log x^{\frac{1}{2}} - \log z\right) \\ &= \log x + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\log x - \log z\right) \\ &= \log x + \frac{1}{4}\log x - \frac{1}{2}\log z\end{aligned}$$

Example: Expanding Logarithmic Expressions

- Use the product rule to expand each logarithmic expression as much as possible:

$$\begin{aligned}\log_5 \left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{25y^3} \right) &= \log_5 \left(\frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{25y^3} \right) = \log_5 x^{\frac{1}{2}} - \log_5 25y^3 \\ &= \log_5 x^{\frac{1}{2}} - (\log_5 25 + \log_5 y^3) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log_5 x - (\log_5 25 + 3 \log_5 y) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log_5 x - 2 - 3 \log_5 y\end{aligned}$$

- Write the following expression in terms of logs of x , y , and z .

$$\begin{aligned}\log\left(\sqrt{\frac{xy^2}{z^8}}\right) &= \log\left(\frac{xy^2}{z^8}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} &&= \frac{1}{2}(\log x + \log y^2 - \log z^8) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{xy^2}{z^8}\right) &&= \frac{1}{2}(\log x + 2\log y - 8\log z) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\log(xy^2) - \log z^8) &&= \frac{1}{2}\log x + \log y - 4\log z\end{aligned}$$

Condensing Logarithmic Expressions

● For $M > 0$ and $N > 0$:

● Product Rule

$$\log_b M + \log_b N = \log_b (MN)$$

● Quotient Rule

$$\log_b M - \log_b N = \log_b \left(\frac{M}{N} \right)$$

● Power Rule

$$p \log_b M = \log_b M^p$$

● Note: In every case the base remains consistent (the same).

Example: Condensing Logarithmic Expressions

- Write as a single logarithm

$$\log 25 + \log 4 = \log(25 \cdot 4) = \log 100 = 2$$

$$\log(7x + 6) - \log x = \log\left(\frac{7x + 6}{x}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2\ln x + \frac{1}{3}\ln(x + 5) &= \ln x^2 + \ln(x + 5)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\ &= \ln x^2 + \ln \sqrt[3]{x + 5} \\ &= \ln x^2 \sqrt[3]{x + 5} \end{aligned}$$

● Find x if $2\log_b 5 + \frac{1}{2}\log_b 9 - \log_b 3 = \log_b x$

$$\log_b 5^2 + \log_b 9^{\frac{1}{2}} - \log_b 3 = \log_b x$$

$$\log_b 25 + \log_b 3 - \log_b 3 = \log_b x \quad \longrightarrow \quad x = 25$$

● or, if you prefer $\log_b \left(\frac{25 \cdot 3}{3} \right) = \log_b x$

The Change-of-Base Property

- For any logarithmic bases a and b , and any positive number M ,

$$\log_b M = \frac{\log_a M}{\log_a b}$$

- The logarithm of M with base b is equal to the logarithm of M with any new base divided by the logarithm of b with that new base.
- The change of base formula allows you to estimate any log on your calculator without using `logbase()`, or to use a simpler calculator (i.e. TI 30XIIS).

The Change-of-Base Property

Change-of-Base Formula

Let a , b , and x be positive real numbers such that $a \neq 1$ and $b \neq 1$. Then $\log_a x$ can be converted to a different base as follows.

Base b

$$\log_a x = \frac{\log_b x}{\log_b a}$$

Base 10

$$\log_a x = \frac{\log x}{\log a}$$

Base e

$$\log_a x = \frac{\ln x}{\ln a}$$

The Change-of-Base Property: Introducing Common and Natural Logarithms

● Introducing Common Logarithms

$$\log_b M = \frac{\log M}{\log b}$$

● Introducing Natural Logarithms

$$\log_b M = \frac{\ln M}{\ln b}$$

Example: Changing Base to Common Logarithms

- Use your calculator and common logs to evaluate

$$\log_7 2506 = \frac{\log 2506}{\log 7} \approx \frac{3.39898}{.8451} \approx 4.022$$

- Use your calculator and natural logs to evaluate

$$\log_7 2506 = \frac{\ln 2506}{\ln 7} \approx \frac{7.8264}{1.9489} \approx 4.022$$

Finding the inverse of a function

- Remember, when finding the inverse of a function:
 1. Replace $f(x)$ with y in the equation.
 2. Exchange x and y in the equation.
 3. Solve the equation for y in terms of x .
 4. If the inverse is a function, replace y with $f^{-1}(x)$.
- These same rules apply when finding the inverse of an exponential equation (a log) or when finding the inverse of a log function (an exponential function).

Finding the Inverse of an Exponential Equation.

● Find the inverse of $f(x) = 2 \cdot 5^x - 3$

1. Replace $f(x)$ with y in the equation. $y = 2 \cdot 5^x - 3$

2. Exchange x and y in the equation. $x = 2 \cdot 5^y - 3$

3. Solve the equation for y in terms of x . $x + 3 = 2 \cdot 5^y$ $\frac{x+3}{2} = 5^y$ $\log_5 \left(\frac{x+3}{2} \right) = y$

4. If the inverse is a function, replace y with $f^{-1}(x)$. $f^{-1}(x) = \log_5 \left(\frac{x+3}{2} \right)$

Finding the Inverse of an Exponential Equation.

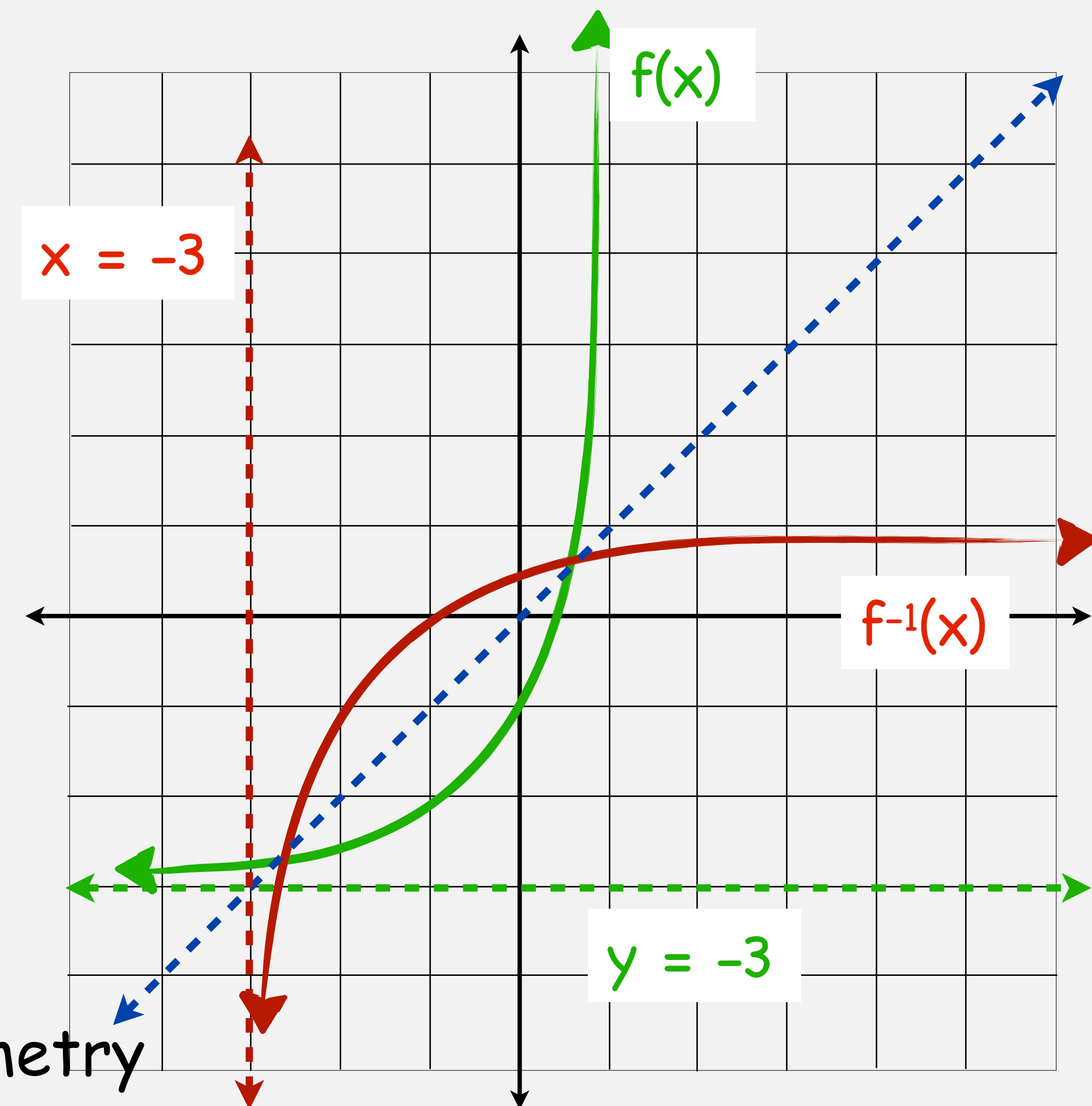
- We can graph both functions

$$f(x) = 2 \cdot 5^x - 3$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \log_5 \left(\frac{x+3}{2} \right)$$

x	f(x)
-2	-2.92
-1	-2.6
0	-1
1	7
2	47

x	f ⁻¹ (x)
-3	oops
-2	-0.4307
-1	0
0	0.2519
2	0.5693
7	1



- Note asymptotes, intercepts, and axis of symmetry

Finding Asymptotes and Intercepts

$$f(x) = 2 \cdot 5^x - 3$$

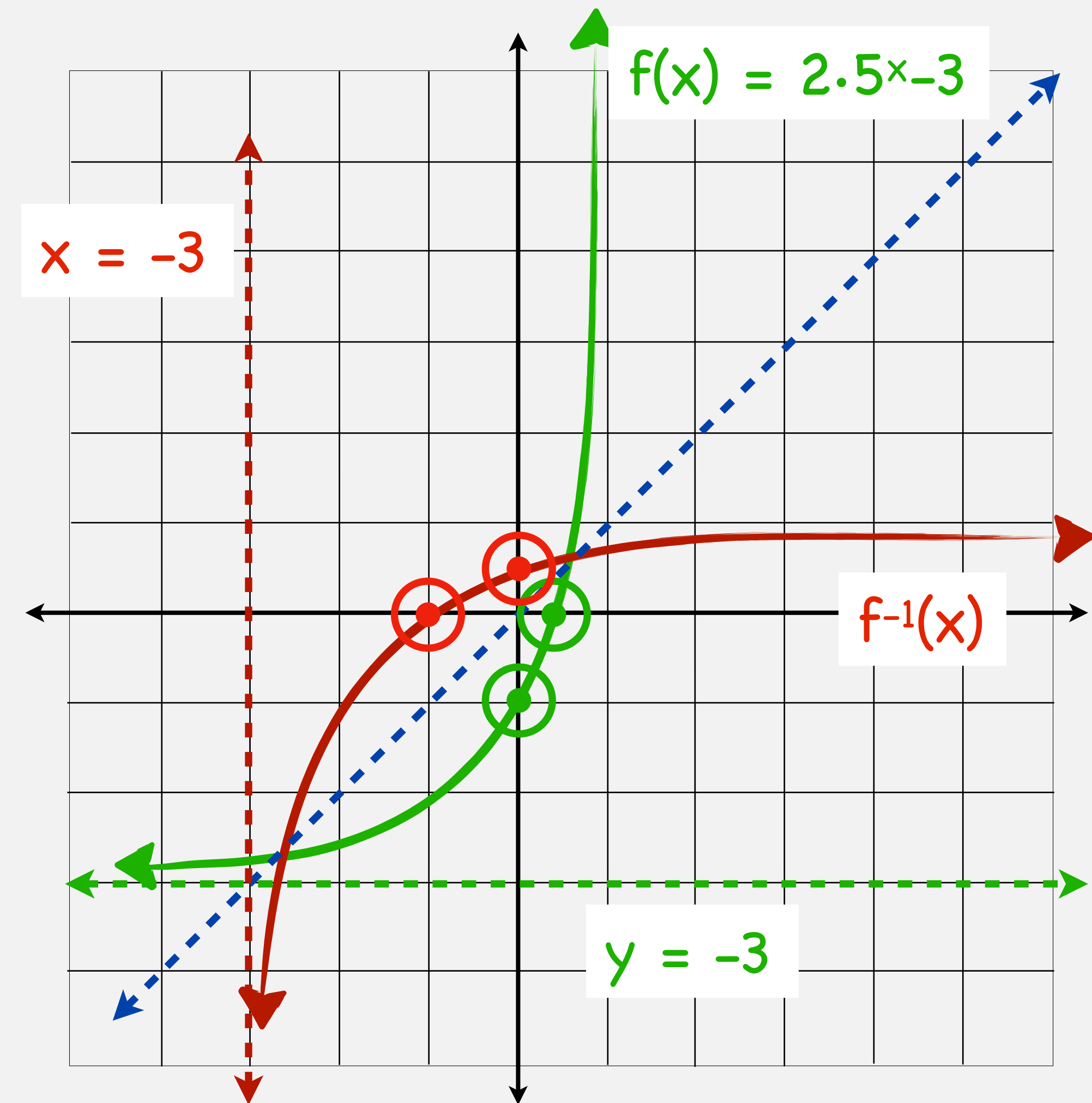
$$0 = 2 \cdot 5^x - 3 \quad 3 = 2 \cdot 5^x \quad \frac{3}{2} = 5^x \quad \log_5 \frac{3}{2} = x \approx .25$$

$$y = 2 \cdot 5^0 - 3 \quad y = 2 - 3 = -1$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \log_5 \left(\frac{x+3}{2} \right)$$

$$0 = \log_5 \left(\frac{x+3}{2} \right) \quad \frac{x+3}{2} = 1 \quad x = -1$$

$$y = \log_5 \left(\frac{0+3}{2} \right) \quad y = \log_5 \left(\frac{3}{2} \right) \approx .2519$$



Finding the Inverse of an Exponential Equation.

● Find the inverse of $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}e^x + 1$

1. Replace $f(x)$ with y in the equation. $y = \frac{1}{3}e^x + 1$

2. Exchange x and y in the equation. $x = \frac{1}{3}e^y + 1$

3. Solve the equation for y in terms of x . $x - 1 = \frac{1}{3}e^y$ $3(x - 1) = e^y$ $\ln e^y = \ln(3x - 3)$
 $y = \ln(3x - 3)$

4. If the inverse is a function, replace y with $f^{-1}(x)$. $f^{-1}(x) = \ln(3x - 3)$

Finding the Inverse of an Exponential Equation.

- We can graph both functions

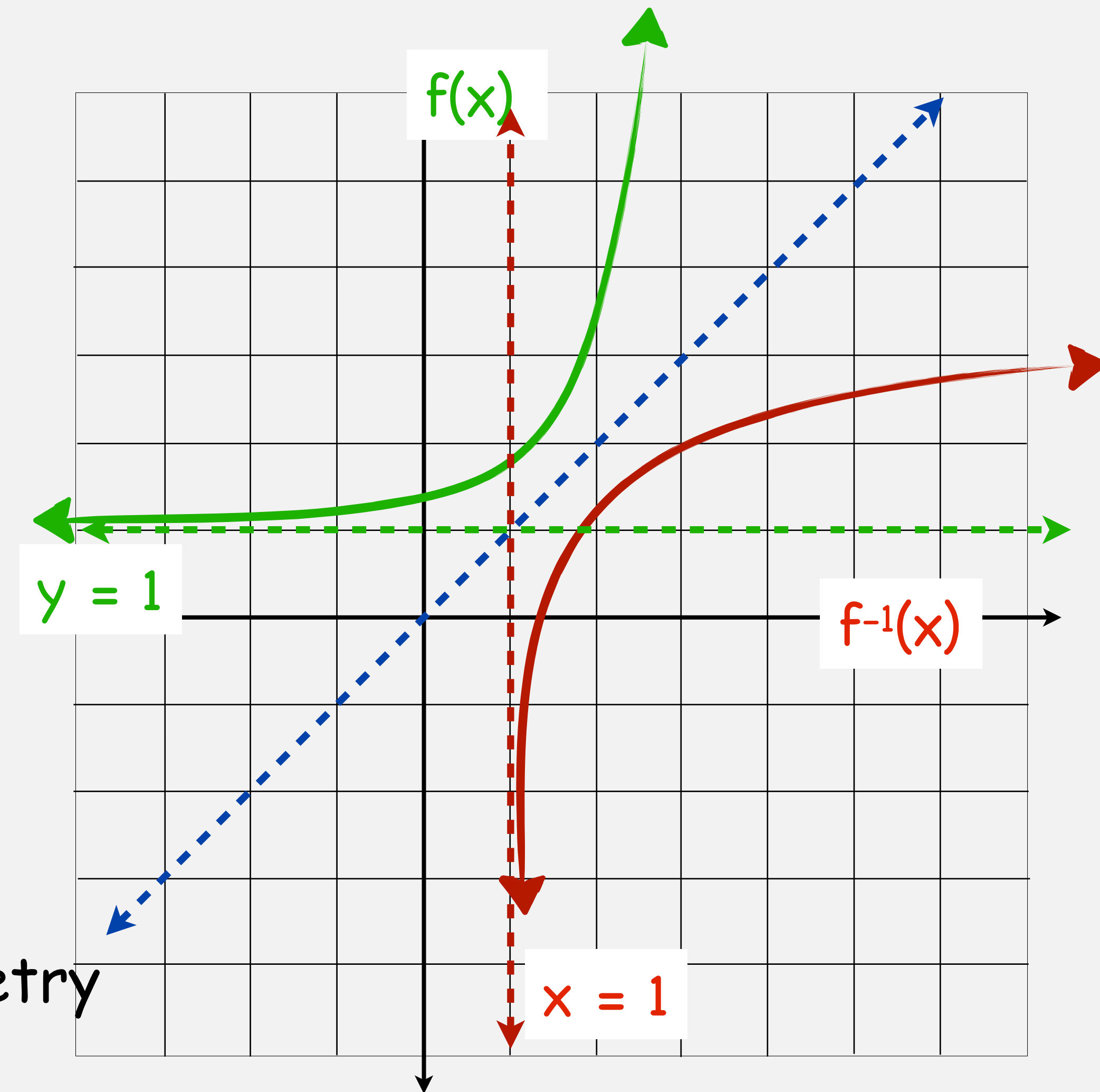
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3}e^x + 1$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \ln(3x - 3)$$

x	f(x)
-2	1.0451
-1	1.1226
0	1.333
1	1.9061
2	3.463

x	f ⁻¹ (x)
1	oops
2	1.0986
3	1.79
4	2.1972
6	2.7081

- Note asymptotes, intercepts, and axis of symmetry



Finding the Inverse of an Exponential Equation.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{3}e^x + 1$$

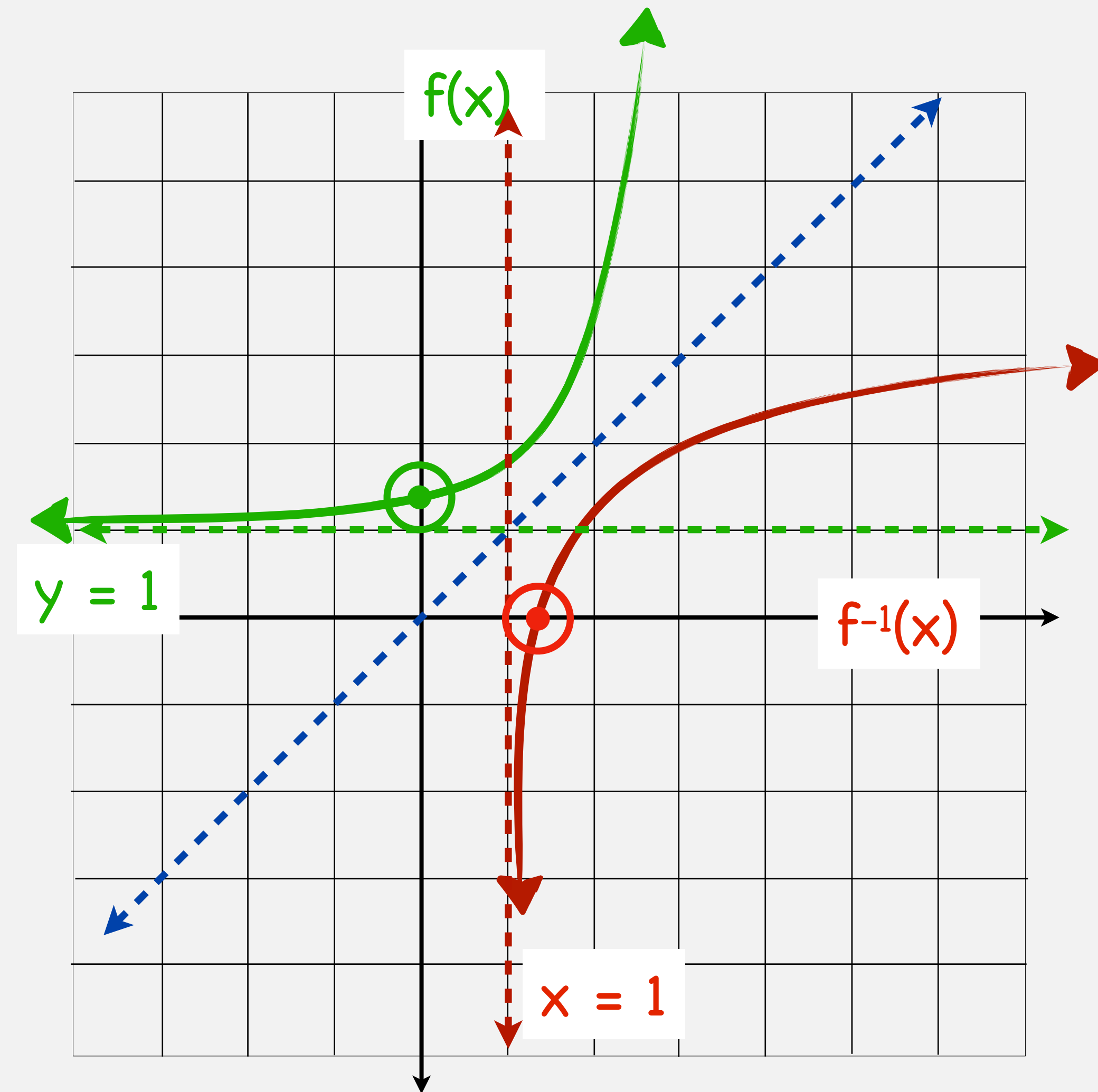
$$0 = \frac{1}{3}e^x + 1 \quad \frac{1}{3}e^x = -1$$

$$y = \frac{1}{3}e^0 + 1 \quad y = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \ln(3x - 3)$$

$$0 = \ln(3x - 3) \quad 3x - 3 = 1 \quad x = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$y = \ln(0 - 3)$$



Finding the Inverse of a Logarithm Function

● Find the inverse of $f(x) = 2\log_3(x-2) - 1$

1. Replace $f(x)$ with y in the equation. $y = 2\log_3(x-2) - 1$

2. Exchange x and y in the equation. $x = 2\log_3(y-2) - 1$

3. Solve the equation for y in terms of x . $\frac{x+1}{2} = \log_3(y-2)$ $3^{\left(\frac{x+1}{2}\right)} = y-2$ $y = 3^{\left(\frac{1}{2}(x+1)\right)} + 2$

4. If the inverse is a function, replace y with $f^{-1}(x)$. $f^{-1}(x) = 3^{\left(\frac{1}{2}(x+1)\right)} + 2$

Finding the Inverse of a Logarithm Function

- We have graphed enough, so let us find the intercepts.

$$f(x) = 2\log_3(x-2) - 1$$

$$0 = 2\log_3(x-2) - 1 \quad \frac{1}{2} = \log_3(x-2) \quad x = 3^{\frac{1}{2}} + 2 = 2 + \sqrt{3} \approx 3.732$$

$$y = 2\log_3(0-2) - 1$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = 3^{\left(\frac{1}{2}(x+1)\right)} + 2$$

$$0 = 3^{\left(\frac{1}{2}(x+1)\right)} + 2 \quad -2 = 3^{\left(\frac{1}{2}(x+1)\right)}$$

$$y = 3^{\left(\frac{1}{2}(0+1)\right)} + 2 \quad y = 3^{\left(\frac{1}{2}(0+1)\right)} + 2 = 3^{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)} + 2$$

Finding the Inverse of a Logarithmic Function

● Find the inverse of $f(x) = 2\log(2x + 3) - 5$

1. Replace $f(x)$ with y in the equation. $y = 2\log(2x + 3) - 5$

2. Exchange x and y in the equation. $x = 2\log(2y + 3) - 5$

3. Solve the equation for y in terms of x . $\frac{x+5}{2} = \log(2y + 3)$ $10^{\left(\frac{x+5}{2}\right)} = 2y + 3$ $y = \frac{10^{\left(\frac{x+5}{2}\right)} - 3}{2}$

4. If the inverse is a function, replace y with $f^{-1}(x)$. $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{10^{\left(\frac{x+5}{2}\right)} - 3}{2}$

Finding Inverse of Logarithm

- Again, find the intercepts.

$$f(x) = 2\log(2x + 3) - 5$$

$$0 = 2\log(2x + 3) - 5 \quad \frac{5}{2} = \log(2x + 3) \quad 10^{\frac{5}{2}} = 2x + 3 \quad x = \frac{10^{\frac{5}{2}} - 3}{2} \approx 156.61$$

$$y = 2\log(2 \cdot 0 + 3) - 5 \quad y = 2\log(3) - 5 \approx -4.0458$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{10^{\left(\frac{x+5}{2}\right)} - 3}{2}$$

$$0 = \frac{10^{\left(\frac{x+5}{2}\right)} - 3}{2} \quad 0 = 10^{\left(\frac{x+5}{2}\right)} - 3 \quad 10^{\left(\frac{x+5}{2}\right)} = 3 \quad \frac{x+5}{2} = \log 3 \quad x = 2\log 3 - 5 \approx -4.0458$$

$$y = \frac{10^{\left(\frac{0+5}{2}\right)} - 3}{2} \quad y = \frac{10^{\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)} - 3}{2} \approx 156.61$$

Measuring Earthquakes

- On the Richter scale, the magnitude R of an earthquake of intensity I is given by $R = \frac{\ln I - \ln I_0}{\ln 10}$ where I_0 is the minimum intensity used for comparison.
- Write this as a single common logarithmic expression.
- Using the change of base formula.

$$R = \frac{\ln I - \ln I_0}{\ln 10} = \frac{\frac{\log I}{\log e} - \frac{\log I_0}{\log e}}{\frac{\log 10}{\log e}} = \frac{\log I - \log I_0}{\log 10} = \frac{\log I - \log I_0}{1} = \log \frac{I}{I_0}$$

Another Look

- On the Richter scale, the magnitude R of an earthquake of intensity I is given by $R = \frac{\ln I - \ln I_0}{\ln 10}$ where I_0 is the minimum intensity used for comparison.
- Write this as a single common logarithmic expression.
- Using the converse of the change of base formula.

$$R = \frac{\ln I - \ln I_0}{\ln 10} = \frac{\ln I}{\ln 10} - \frac{\ln I_0}{\ln 10} = \log I - \log I_0 = \log \frac{I}{I_0}$$