## Unit 2 (2.4) Inverses Notes

## **Finding Inverses:**

The domain of a relation becomes the range of the inverse, and the range of a relation becomes the domain of the inverse.

To put it more simply: \_\_\_\_\_\_

The graph of the original relation will be reflected over \_\_\_\_\_

Steps:

- 1. Replace f(x) with y.
- 2. Switch x and y.
- 3. Solve for y.
- 4. Replace y with  $f^{-1}(x)$ .

Examples:





Finding the inverse of a non-linear equation:





## If you don't have a graph, how do you know you solved for the inverse correctly?

## Proving f(x) and $f^{-1}(x)$ are inverses.

Check to see if the compositions of f(x) and  $f^{-1}(x)$  is the identity function. (y = x)

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = x$$
 &  $f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$ 

PROVE that the following are inverses by using compositions.

1. $f(x) = \frac{3}{4}x - 6$ and $g(x) = \frac{4}{3}x + 8$	2. $f(x) = 2x^2 - 1$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x+1}{2}}$
3. $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x + 10$ and $g(x) = 3x - 30$	4. $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 3}{2}$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{2x - 3}$