Math 1A

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Quiz 1 Solution (Version A)

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Consider the function

$$f(x) = \sqrt{2x+6}.$$

(a) What are the domain and range of f?

(b) Find a formula for the inverse function f^{-1} .

(c) What are the domain and range of f^{-1} ?

(a) The domain of f is $[-3, \infty)$. The range is $[0, \infty)$.

(b) $f^{-1}(x) = (x^2 - 6)/2$

(c) The inverse function f^{-1} has domain $[0, \infty)$ and range $[-3, \infty)$. Note that the domain and range of f^{-1} are the range and domain of f, respectively. This is true even though the formula for f^{-1} appears to be defined for all real numbers x.