

Exercise 28

For the following exercises, use the graph of f shown in Figure 11.

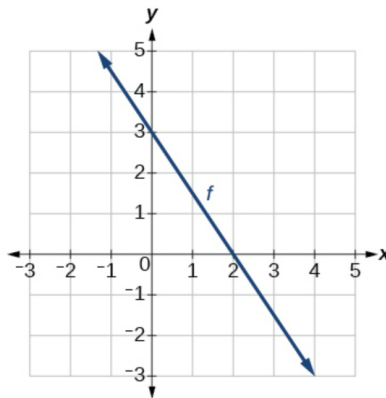


Figure 11

Find $f^{-1}(x) = 0$.

Solution

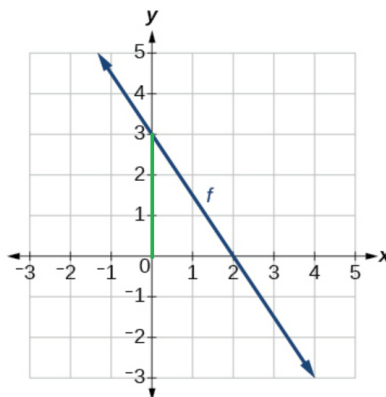
To solve for x , apply f to both sides.

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = f(0)$$

The function and its inverse cancel on the left side, leaving x .

$$x = f(0)$$

Based on the graph, $f(0) = 3$.



Therefore,

$$x = 3.$$