

3. [12 points] A heater is turned on in a cold room. Let $n = f(T)$ be the number of hours it takes for the heater to warm the room to a temperature of T degrees Fahrenheit ($^{\circ}\text{F}$). A table of values of this function is given below.

T	61	64	66	67	68
$n = f(T)$	0.5	1.3	2.3	3.3	7

The cost, C , in dollars, to run the heater for n hours is given by the formula

$$C = g(n) = 0.25 + 0.4n.$$

Both f and g are invertible functions.

- a. [2 points] Compute the quantities $f^{-1}(0.5)$ and $g(f(68))$.

Answer: $f^{-1}(0.5) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ and $g(f(68)) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

- b. [2 points] Find a formula for g^{-1} in terms of C .

Answer: $g^{-1}(C) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

- c. [3 points] For each part below, write a phrase or sentence giving a practical interpretation of the given expression or equation, or explain why it doesn't make sense in this context.

i. $g(1) = 0.65$

ii. $f(g(3))$

(Problem continues on the next page.)

(The problem has been restated here for convenience.)

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- d. [3 points] For each item below, write an expression or equation, possibly involving the functions f , g , and/or their inverses, that represents the given statement.
- i. It takes an hour to heat the room to 63°F .
 - ii. the temperature of the room when the heating costs have reached \$1
- e. [2 points] Circle the numeral of the one description below that is best supported by the evidence in this problem. Clearly show your work in the space below.
- i. Each $^{\circ}\text{F}$ increase in temperature takes the same amount of time.
 - ii. As the room warms up, it takes an increasing amount of time to heat the room to each additional $^{\circ}\text{F}$ in temperature.
 - iii. It takes less and less time for the heater to heat the room to each additional $^{\circ}\text{F}$ in temperature.

Work: