

FUNCTION

Function

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General Definition

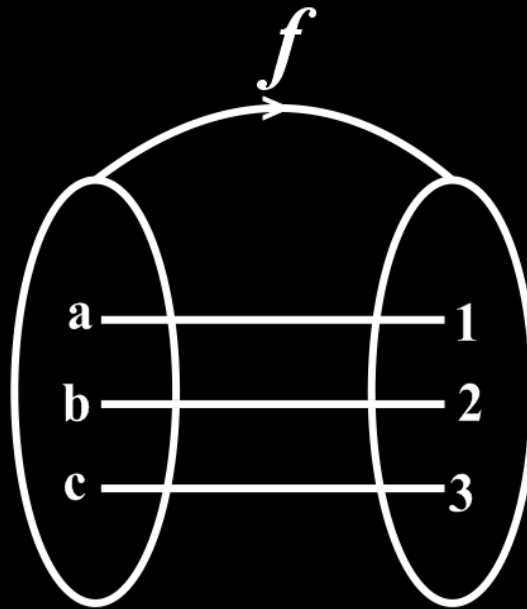
Definition - 1

Let A and B be two sets and let there exist a rule or manner or correspondence ' f ' which associates to each element of A, a unique element in B. Then f is called a function or mapping from A to B. It is denoted by the symbol

$$f : A \rightarrow B \text{ or } A \xrightarrow{f} B$$

which reads ' f is a function from A to B' or 'f maps A to B,

If an element $a \in A$ is associated with an element $b \in B$ then b is called ‘the f image of a ’ or ‘image of a under f ’ or ‘the value of the function f at a ’. Also a is called the pre-image of b or argument of under the function f .



Definition - 2

A relation R from a set A to a set B is called a function if

- (i) Each element of A is associated with some element of B .
- (ii) each element of A has unique image in B .

Definition - 3

Every function from $A \rightarrow B$ satisfies the following conditions.

- (i) $f \subset A \times B$
- (ii) $\forall a \in A \Rightarrow (a, f(a)) \in f$ and
- (iii) $(a, b) \in f \ \& \ (a, c) \in f \Rightarrow b = c.$

Domain, Co-Domain & Range of A Function

Domain of $D_f = \{a \mid a \in A, (a, f(a)) \in f\}$

Range of $R_f = \{f(a) \mid a \in A, f(a) \in B\}$

Note

- (1) It should be noted that range is a subset of co-domain.

(2) If only the rule of function is given then the domain of the function is the set of those real numbers where function is defined.

Q. Find domain of

$$\sqrt{x}, \frac{1}{x}, \frac{1}{x-1}, \frac{1}{x} + \sqrt{x}$$

(3) Continuous function

If graph of a function can be drawn without taking up ruler then function is continuous.

Example : $f(x) = \sin x, \cos x, x$

(4) For a continuous function, the interval from minimum to maximum value of a function gives the range

For Example : $f(x) = \sin x, \cos x$

Let f and g be function with domain D_1 and D_2 then the function $f + g$, $f - g$, fg , f/g are defined as

(i) $(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$; Domain $D_1 \cap D_2$

Let f and g be function with domain D_1 and D_2 then the function $f + g$, $f - g$, fg , f/g are defined as

(ii) $(f - g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$; Domain $D_1 \cap D_2$

Let f and g be function with domain D_1 and D_2 then the function $f + g$, $f - g$, fg , f/g are defined as

(iii) $(f \cdot g)(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$; Domain $D_1 \cap D_2$

Let f and g be function with domain D_1 and D_2 then the function $f + g$, $f - g$, fg , f/g are defined as

$$(iv) \quad \left(\frac{f}{g} \right)(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)};$$

$$\text{Domain} = D_1 \cap D_2 - \{x \mid g(x) \neq 0\}$$

Example

Q. $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2$ and $g(x) = 3x^2 - 1$.

Find Domain of $f \pm g$, $f \cdot g$ and f / g

Q. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ and $g(x) = \frac{1}{x-1}$
Domain of $f \pm g$, $f.g$ and f / g

Q. Find Domain of

$$\sqrt{x^2 + 1}, \quad f(x) = \frac{2x^4 - x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 4}$$

Types of Functions

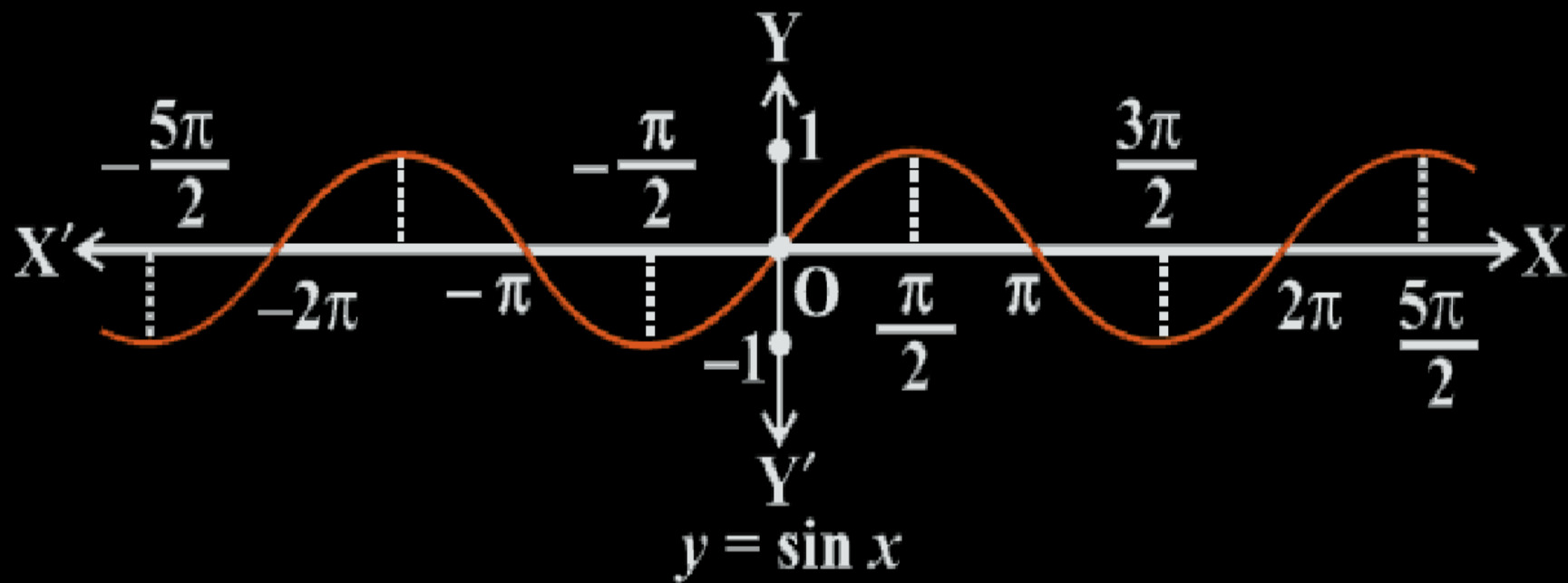
Types of Functions

Trigonometric Function

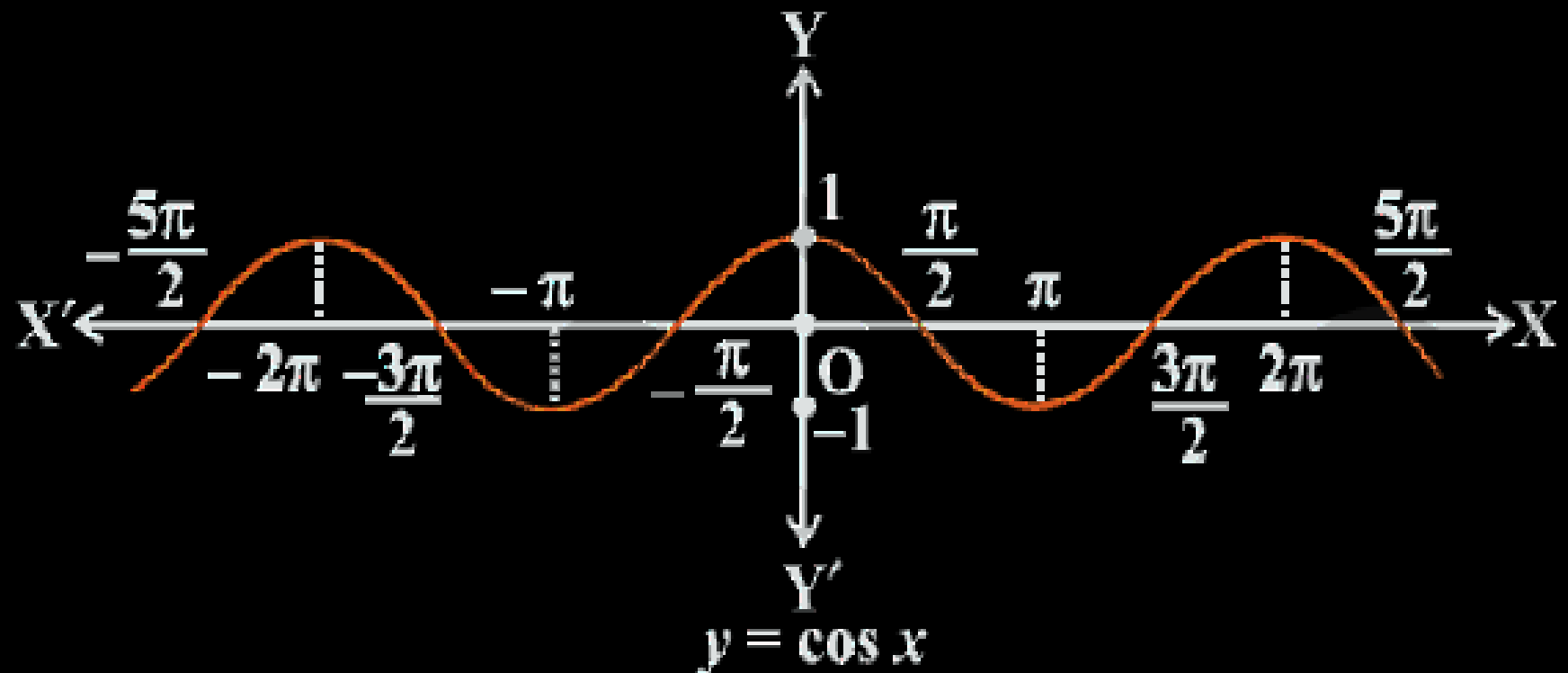


Graph of Trigonometric Function

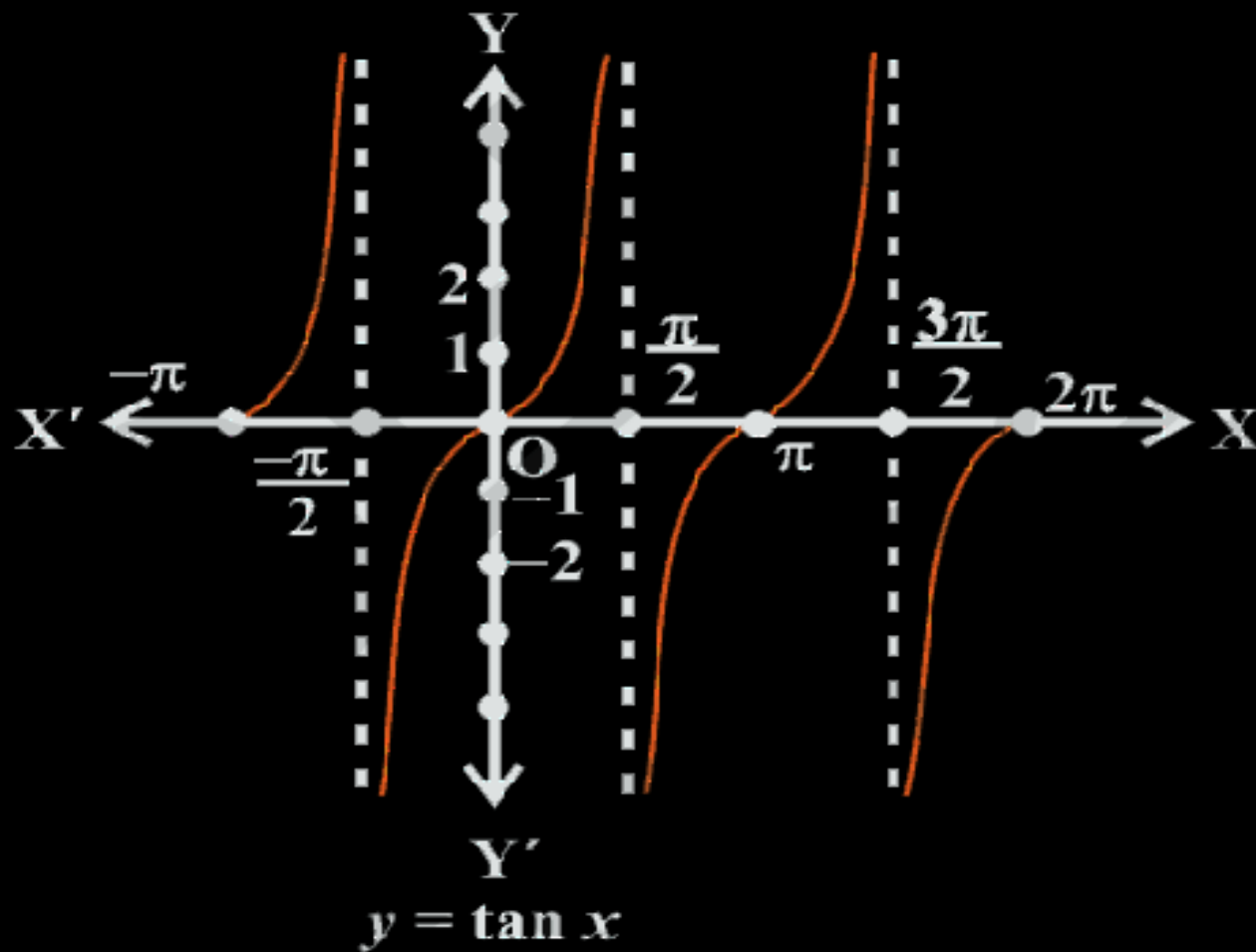
$$y = f(x) = \sin x$$



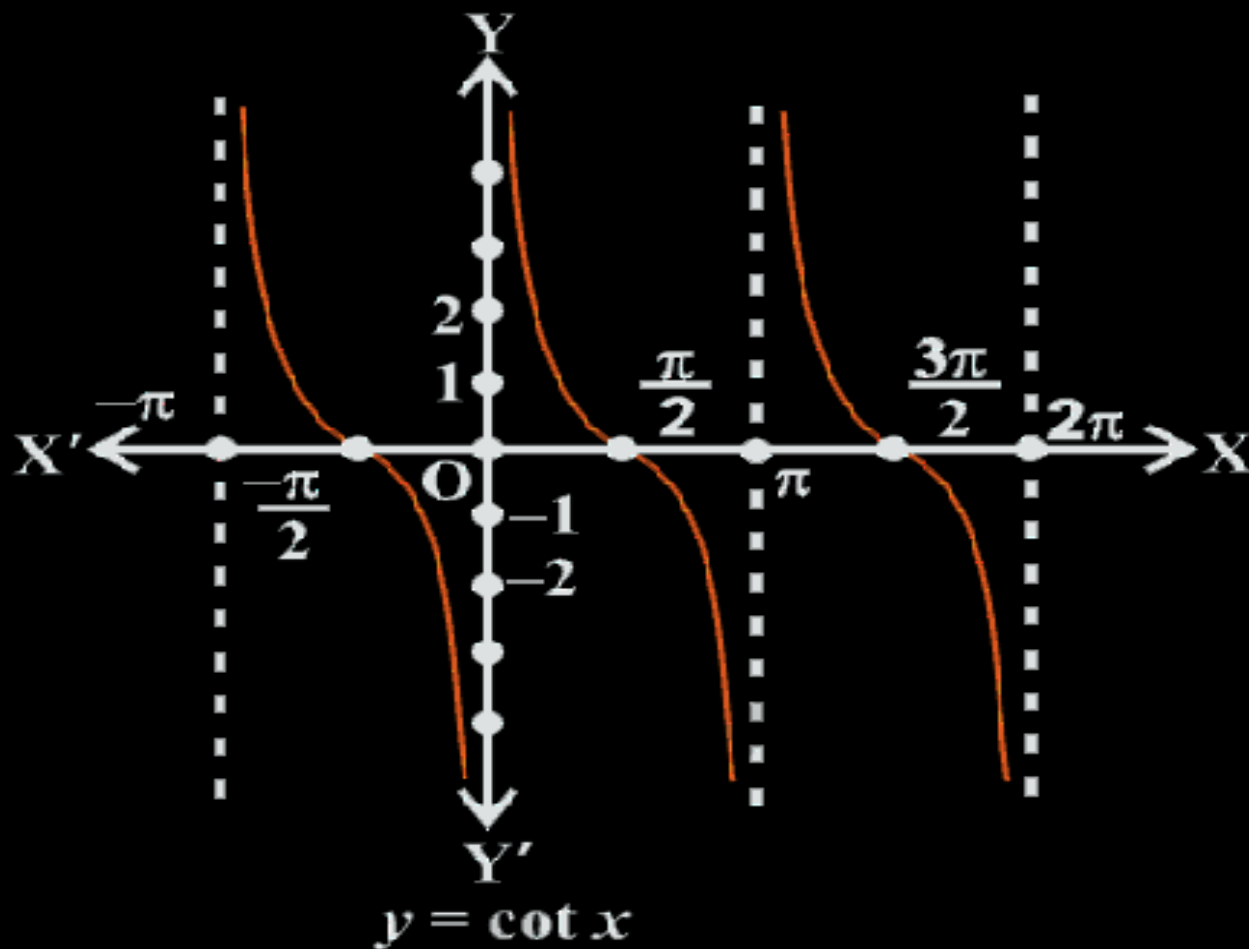
$$y = f(x) = \cos x$$



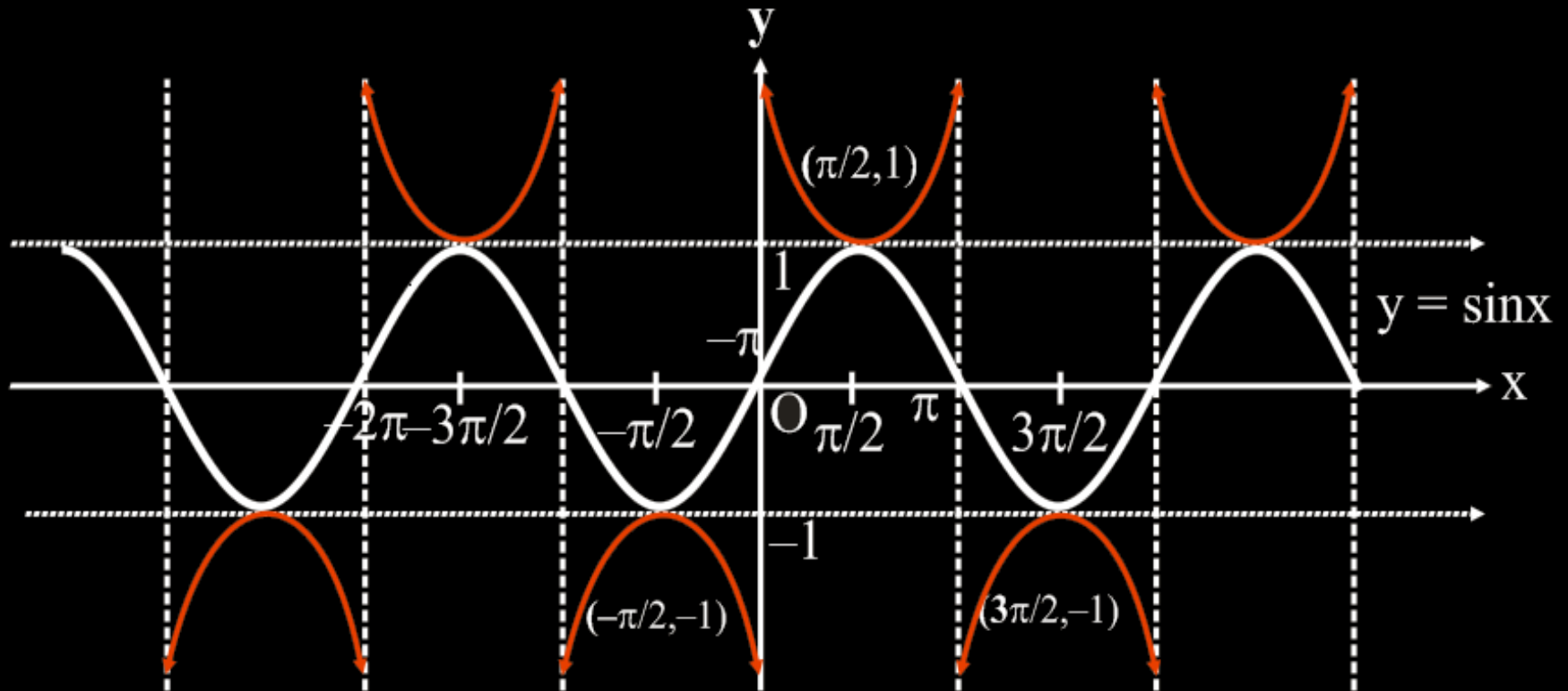
$$y = f(x) = \tan x$$



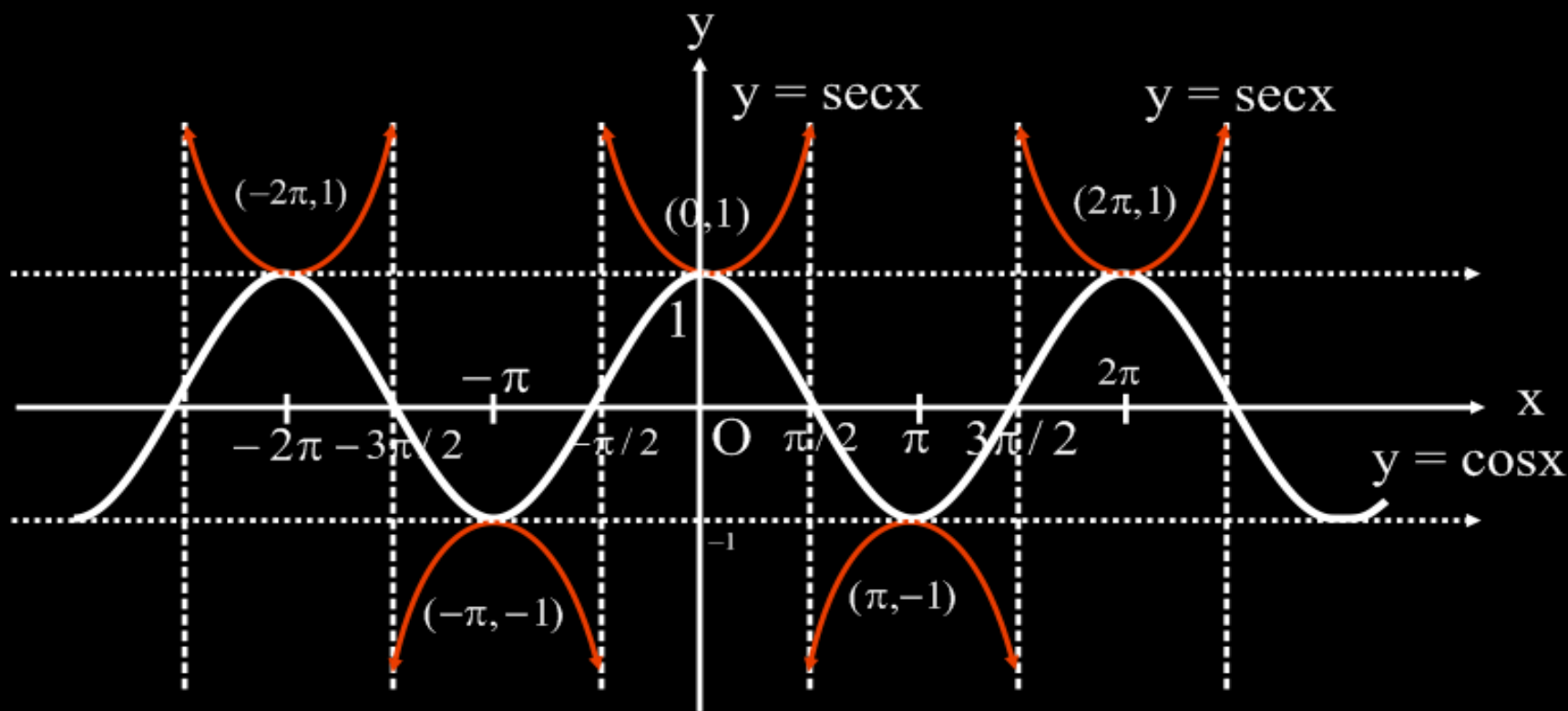
$$y = f(x) = \cot x$$



$$y = f(x) = \operatorname{cosec} x$$



$$y = f(x) = \sec x$$



Range of $\sin x, \cos x \in [-1, 1]$

Range of $\sec x$, $\operatorname{cosec} x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$

Range of $\tan x$, $\cot x \in (-\infty, \infty)$

Examples

Q. Find range of y

$$y = \sin (2x)$$

Q. Find range of y
 $y = \sin (x^2)$

Q. Find range of y
 $y = \sin \sqrt{x}$

Q. Find range of y
 $y = \cos^2 x$

Q. Find range of y
 $y = \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x$

Q. Find range of y

$$y = \cos^4 \frac{x}{2} - \sin^4 \frac{x}{2}$$

Q. Find range of y
 $y = \cos^4 x - \sin^4 x$

Q. Find range of y
 $y = (\sin x + 2)^2 + 1$

Q. Find range of y
 $y = 4 \tan x \cos x$

Polynomial Function

For Example : $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$,

$$f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$$

Note

- (1) A polynomial function is always continuous.

(2) A polynomial of degree one is called linear function.

i.e. $f(x) = ax + b, a \neq 0$

(3) There are two polynomial functions, satisfying the relation ;

$f(x).f(1/x) = f(x) + f(1/x)$. They are :

(i) $f(x) = x^n + 1$ & (ii) $f(x) = 1 - x^n$,

where n is a positive integer.

Q. A polynomial function satisfies the following condition

$$f(x) + f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = f(x) + f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

and $f(4) = 65$.

Find $f(x)$ and $f(3)$

- (4) A polynomial of degree one with no constant term is called an odd linear function.
i.e. $f(x) = ax, a \neq 0$

- (5) A polynomial of degree odd has its range $(-\infty, \infty)$ but a polynomial of degree even has a range which is always subset of \mathbb{R} .

Algebraic Function

A function f is called an algebraic function if it can be constructed using algebraic operations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and taking roots started with polynomials.

Example

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 1}; \quad g(x) = \frac{x^4 - 16x^2}{x + \sqrt{x}} + (x - 2) \times \sqrt[3]{x + 1}$$

Note

All polynomial are algebraic but not the converse.
Function which are not algebraic are known as
Transcendental function.

Fractional \ Rational Function

A rational function is a function of the form.

$$y = f(x) = \frac{g(x)}{h(x)},$$

where $g(x)$ & $h(x)$ are polynomial & $h(x) \neq 0$. The domain of $f(x)$ is set of real x such that $h(x) \neq 0$

Example

$$f(x) = \frac{2x^4 - x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 4}; \quad D = \{x | x \neq \pm 2\}$$

Exponential Function

A function $f(x) = a^x$ ($a > 0$, $a \neq 1$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$) is called an exponential function.

Graph of a^x base $a > 1$

Graph of a^x base $0 < a < 1$

Logarithmic Function

$$y = \log_a x, x > 0, a > 0, a \neq 1$$

Graph of $y = \log_a x$ base $a > 1$

Graph of $y = \log_a x$ base $0 < a < 1$

Graph of $\ln x$ & e^x together

Q. Find Domain of $y = \sqrt{\ln x}$

Q. Find Domain of $\frac{1}{\ln x}$

Q. Find Domain of $\sqrt{4x - x^2}$

Q. Find Domain of $\log_x (2x - 1)(x - 3)$

Q. Find Domain of $e^{1/x}$

Q. Find Domain of $\log_{10} (\log_{10} (1 + x^3))$

Absolute Value Function/ Modulus Function

$$y = |x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Domain, Range & Graph of $|x|$

Q. Find Domain, Range & Graph of $y = |x - 1|$

Q. Find Domain, Range & Graph of $y = |x| + 1$

Q. Find Domain, Range & Graph of $y = |x + 1|$

Q. Find Domain, Range & Graph of $y = |x - 1| + 1$

Q. Find Domain and Range of $f(x) = \frac{1}{|x|}$

Signum Function

A function $y = f(x) = \text{Sgn}(x)$ is defined as follows :

$$y = f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } x = 0 \\ -1 & \text{for } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Domain Range & Graph of Sgn (x)

Q. Find Domain and Range of $y = \text{Sgn} (x^2 - 1)$

Q. Find Domain and Range of $y = \text{Sgn} (x^2 + 1)$

Q. Find Domain and Range of
 $y = \text{Sgn} (x^2 + x + 1)$

Q. Find Domain and Range of
 $\log_{10} \text{sgn}(x)$

Q. Find Domain and Range of
 $\text{sgn} (\ln (x^2 - x + 2))$

Q. Find Domain and Range of
 $\text{sgn}(\cos x)$

Q. Find Domain and Range of
 $\text{sgn}(\cos(\sin x))$

Greatest Integer Or Step Up Function

The function $y = f(x) = [x]$ is called the greatest integer function where $[x]$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to x .

Domain, Range, Graph of $[x]$

Q. Find Domain of $f(x) = \frac{1}{[x]}$

Properties of $[x]$

(1) $[x] \leq x < [x] + 1$ and
 $x - 1 < [x] \leq x, 0 \leq x - [x] < 1$

(2) $[x + m] = [x] + m$ if m is an integer.

$$(3) \quad [x] + [-x] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \text{ is an integer} \\ -1 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Q. Find $D_f = \sqrt{([x]-1)} + \sqrt{4-[x]}$

Q. Find Domain of $\log_{10} \left(\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{7 - x^2} \right)$

Q. Find Domain of $\frac{\sqrt{x-2}}{\sqrt{x-3}}$

Q. Find Domain of $\sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{x-2}}{x-3}}$

Q. Find Domain of $\sqrt{(x-5) \ln^2(x-3)}$

Q. Find Domain of $\sqrt{(x^2 - 3x - 10)} \ln^2(x - 3)$

Q. Find Domain of $\sqrt{(e^x - 1)(x - 2)(x - 3)}$

Q. Find Domain of $\sqrt{(e^x)(10^x - 1)(x - 2)}$

Q. Find Domain of $\frac{\sqrt{\cos x - 1/2}}{\sqrt{(x)(1-x)}}$

Fractional Part Function $\{x\}$

It is defined as :

$$g(x) = \{x\} = x - [x].$$

Domain, Range, Graph of $\{x\}$

Q. Domain & Range of $y = \frac{1}{\{x\}}$

Q. Domain & Range of $f(x) = \log_{10}\{x\}$

Q. Domain & Range of $y = [\sin\{x\}]$

Properties of $\{x\}$

Q. $\{x + n\} = \{x\} \quad n \in \mathbb{I}$

Properties of $\{x\}$

$$\text{Q. } \{x\} + \{-x\} = \begin{cases} 0 & x \in I \\ 1 & x \notin I \end{cases}$$

Properties of $\{x\}$

Q. $[\{x\}] = 0$

Properties of $\{x\}$

Q. $\{[x]\} = 0$

Examples of Domain

Q. $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|x| - x}}$

Q. $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x-2}{x+2}} + \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{1+x}}$

Q. $g(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x - |x|}}$

Q. $f(x) = \left(\log_{\frac{x-2}{x+3}} 2 \right) + \sqrt{9-x^2}$

Q. $f(x) = \frac{1}{[x]} + \log_{1-\{x\}}(x^2 - 3x + 10) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2-|x|}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sec(\sin x)}}$

Q. Find value of $\left[\frac{3}{4}\right] + \left[\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{100}\right] + \left[\frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{100}\right] + \dots + \left[\frac{3}{4} + \frac{99}{100}\right]$

Q. Find Domain of ${}^{x-10}C_{20-x}$

Q. Find Domain & Range of $f(x) = \frac{3x + |x|}{x}$

Q. Find Range of $f(x) = 4 \tan x \cos x$

Q. Find Range of $f(x) = \cos^4 \frac{x}{5} - \sin^4 \frac{x}{5}$

Q. Find Range of $f(x) = \sin \sqrt{x}$

Q. Find Range of $f(x) = \cos(2\sin x)$

Q. Find Range of $f(x) = 3 - 2^x$

Q. Find Range of $f(x) = \sin(\log_2 x)$

Q. Find Range of $y = \frac{\tan(\pi[x - \pi])}{x^2 - 3x + 4}$

Q. Find Range of $f(x) = \cos 2x - \sin 2x$

Q. Find Range of $f(x) = \cot^2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$

Q. Find Range of $\log_{10} (x^2 - 2x + 2)$

Q. Find Range of $\log_{\frac{1}{10}} (x^2 + 2x + 2)$

Q. Find Range of $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x + 1}{x^2 + x + 1}$

Q. Find Range of $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$

Q. Find Range of $\frac{x - [x]}{1 - [x] + x}$

Q. Find Range of $y = \tan\left(\{x\} \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$

Q. Find Range of $y = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \operatorname{Sgn}(x^2 - 1)\right)$

Q. Solve the equation $2[x] = x + \{x\}$

Q. Range of $y = |x^2 - x - 6|$

Q. Range of $y = \frac{1}{x^2 + x + 1}$

Q. Range of $y = |\sin x| + |\cos x|$

Q. Domain of $\sqrt{x^{14} - x^{11} + x^6 - x^3 + x^2 + 1}$

Q. Domain of $f(x) = \sqrt{3^{x-1} + 5^{x-1} + 7^{x-1} - 83}$

Range of Linear

$$y = ax + b \quad ; a \neq 0$$

$$y \in \mathbb{R}$$

Example

Q. $y = f(x) = x + 1$

Range of $\frac{1}{\text{Linear}}$

$$y = \frac{1}{ax + b} \quad y \in \mathbf{R} - \{0\}$$

Range of $\frac{\text{Linear}}{\text{Linear}}$

$$y = \frac{ax + b}{cx + d} \quad y \in \mathbf{R} - \left\{ \frac{a}{c} \right\}$$

Example

Q. $y = \frac{2x+3}{x+1}$, *Find range of y*

Example

Q. $y = \frac{1}{3x-1}$, *Find range of y*

Example

Q. $y = \frac{x(x-1)}{x-1}$, *Find range of y*

Example

Q. $y = \frac{(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)}{(x-2)(x-3)},$ *Find range of y*

Range of

$\frac{\text{Linear}}{\text{Quadratic}}$, $\frac{\text{Quadratic}}{\text{Quadratic}}$, $\frac{\text{Quadratic}}{\text{Linear}}$

- Assume y

Range of

$$\frac{\text{Linear}}{\text{Quadratic}}, \frac{\text{Quadratic}}{\text{Quadratic}}, \frac{\text{Quadratic}}{\text{Linear}}$$

- Assume y
- Check for common roots in numerator & denominator

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- Assume y
- Check for common roots in numerator & denominator
- Form Quadratic Equation

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- Assume y
- Check for common roots in numerator & denominator
- Form Quadratic Equation
- Apply $D \geq 0$ (since x is real)

Range of

$$\frac{\text{Linear}}{\text{Quadratic}}, \frac{\text{Quadratic}}{\text{Quadratic}}, \frac{\text{Quadratic}}{\text{Linear}}$$

- Assume y
- Check for common roots in numerator & denominator
- Form Quadratic Equation
- Apply $D \geq 0$ (since x is real)
- Solve inequality in y and hence the range

Note

Always check for coefficient of x^2 not equal to zero

Example

Find range of following

$$Q. \quad \frac{x^2 + 2x - 11}{2(x - 3)}$$

Example

Find range of following

$$Q. \quad \frac{x^2 - 3x + 4}{x^2 + 3x + 4}$$

Example

Find range of following

$$Q. \frac{(x+1)(x-2)}{x(x+3)}$$

Example

Find range of following

$$Q. \quad \frac{x^2 + 2x - 2}{x^2 + 2x + 1}$$

Example

Find range of following

$$Q. \quad \frac{x^2 + 14x + 9}{x^2 + 2x + 3}$$

Example

Find range of following

$$Q. \quad \frac{x^2 - 5x + 6}{x^2 - 4x + 3}$$

Q. Range of $f(x) = \frac{1}{\ln x}$

Q. Range of $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sin^4 x + \cos^4 x}$

Q. Range of $f(x) = \log_2 \left(\frac{\sin x - \cos x + 3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$

Q. Range of $y = [\sin x]$

Q. Range of $y = 2 - [\sin x] - [\sin x]^2$

Equal or Identical function

Two functions f & g are said to be equal if :

- (i) The domain of f = the domain of g .
- (ii) The range of f = the range of g and
- (iii) $f(x) = g(x)$, for every x belonging to their common domain

Q. Check if function are identical or not

Q.1 $y = \ln x^2$; $y = 2 \ln x$

Q. $y = \operatorname{cosec} x$; $y = \frac{1}{\sin x}$

Q. $f(x) = \tan x$; $g(x) = \frac{1}{\cot x}$

Q. $f(x) = \sec x$; $g(x) = \frac{1}{\cos x}$

Q. $f(x) = \cot^2 x \cdot \cos^2 x$; $g(x) = \cot^2 x - \cos^2 x$

Q. $f(x) = \text{Sgn}(x^2 + 1); \quad g(x) = \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x$

Q. $f(x) = \tan^2 x \cdot \sin^2 x$; $g(x) = \tan^2 x - \sin^2 x$

Q. $f(x) = \sec^2 x - \tan^2 x$; $g(x) = 1$

Q. $f(x) = \log_x e$; $g(x) = \frac{1}{\log_e x}$

Q. $f(x) = \log_e x$; $g(x) = \frac{1}{\log_x e}$

Q. $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$; $g(x) = \sqrt{x - 1} \cdot \sqrt{x + 1}$

Q. $f(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2}$; $g(x) = \sqrt{1-x} \cdot \sqrt{1+x}$

Q. $f(x) = e^{\ln e^x}$; $g(x) = e^x$

Q. $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2}}$; $g(x) = \sin x$

Q. $f(x) = \log(x+2) + \log(x-3) - g(x) = \log(x^2-x-6)$

Q. $f(x) = x|x|$; $g(x) = x^2 \operatorname{sgn} x$

Q. $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{x}}$; $g(x) = \frac{x}{1 + x}$

Q. $f(x) = [\{x\}] ; \quad g(x) = \{[x]\}$

Classification of Function

One-one Function (Injective Mapping)

A function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is said to be a one-one function or injective mapping if “different elements of A have different f images in B .”

$$f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Leftrightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

Example

$$\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = x + 1, \quad f(x) = e^x, \quad f(x) = x^3$$

Method – 1 (Graph)

If a line parallel to x-axis cuts the graph of the function atleast at two points, then f is many-one.
(not one-one)

Q. Find whether function is one-one or not

$$y = [x], \{x\}, \frac{1}{x}, \frac{1}{x^2}, \sin x, \cos x, \tan x$$

$$x, x^2, x^3, |x|, \text{Sgn}(x), e^x$$

Method – 2 by $\frac{dy}{dx}$

Meaning of $\frac{dy}{dx}$

(1) Local maxima

(2) Local Minima

If $\frac{dy}{dx} \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in D_f \Rightarrow$ function is one – one

Or $\frac{dy}{dx} \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in D_f \Rightarrow$ function is one – one

Find weather function is one-one or not

Q. $y = 2x + \sin x$

Find whether function is one-one or not

Q. $y = e^x + x$

Find whether function is one-one or not

Q. $y = e^{-x} - x$

Find weather function is one-one or not

Q. $y = (x - 1)(x - 2)(x - 3)$

Find weather function is one-one or not

Q. $y = x^3$

Find weather function is one-one or not

Q. $y = \frac{x^4 + 1}{x^2 + 1}$

Many One – Function (Not Injective)

A function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is said to be a many one function if two or more elements of A have the same f image in B .

$$x_1, x_2 \in A, \quad f(x_1) = f(x_2) \quad \text{but} \quad x_1 \neq x_2$$

Example : $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $f(x) = [x]$; $f(x) = |x|$;
 $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$; $f(x) = \sin x$

Note

If a function is one-one, it cannot be many-one and vice versa.

One-one + Many-one = Total number of mappings.

Onto function (Surjective mapping) **(Co-Domain = Range)**

If the function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is such that each element in B (co-domain) is the f image of at least one element in A , then we say that f is a function of A 'onto' B .

Example

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = 2x + 1;$$

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \quad f(x) = e^x;$$

$$f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = \ln x$$

Into Function

Range \neq Co-Domain

If $f : A \rightarrow B$ is such that there exists atleast one element in co-domain which is not the image of any element in domain, then $f(x)$ is into.

Example

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = \{x\},$$

$$[x],$$

$$\operatorname{sgn} x,$$

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

Example

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = [x],$$

$$|x|,$$

$$\operatorname{sgn} x,$$

$$ax^2 + bx + c$$

Note

If a function is onto, it cannot be into and vice versa.

A polynomial of degree even define from $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ will always be into & a polynomial of degree odd defined from $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ will always be onto.

A function can be one of these four types :

(a) one-one onto (injective & surjective)

(b) One-one into (injective & surjective)

(c) Many-one onto (surjective but not injective)

(d) Many-one into (neither surjective nor injective)

If f is both injective & surjective, then it is called a **Bijection** mapping. The bijective function are also named as invertible.

Example on Classification

Q. Classify as one-one onto, one-one into, many-one onto or many-one into.

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(x) = e^x + e^{-x}$$

Q. $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $f(x) = \sqrt{1+x^2}$

Q. $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $f(x) = x^3$

Q. $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$f(x) = |x| \operatorname{Sgn}(x)$$

Q. $f : \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \rightarrow [-1, 1] \quad f(x) = \sin x$

Q. $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow [-1, 1] \quad f(x) = \sin 2x$

- Q. The function $f : [2, \infty) \rightarrow Y$ defined by $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 5$ is both one-one and onto if :
- (A) $Y = \mathbb{R}$ (B) $Y = [1, \infty)$
(C) $Y = [4, \infty)$ (D) $[5, \infty)$

Q. $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 $x^3 - 2x^2 + 5x + 3$

Q. $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 6x^2 - 18x + 17$$

Q. If the function $f(x) = x^2 + bx + 3$ is not injective for values of x in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 1$ then b lies in

(A) $(-\infty, \infty)$

(B) $(-2, \infty)$

(C) $(-2, 0)$

(D) $(-\infty, 2)$

Q. $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(x) = \frac{2x^2 - x + 5}{7x^2 + 2x + 10}$

Q. $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 2mx - 1 & \text{for } x \leq 0 \\ mx - 1 & \text{for } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

If $f(x)$ is one-one then m must lie in the interval

(A) $(-\infty, 0)$

(B) $(-\infty, 0]$

(C) $(0, \infty)$

(D) $[0, \infty]$

Q. Let a function f defined from $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ as :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x + m & \text{for } x < 1 \\ 2mx - 1 & \text{for } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

If the function is surjective on \mathbb{R} then m must lie in the interval.

(A) $(0, 2]$ (B) $(-\infty, 0]$ (C) $(-\infty, 0)$ (D) $(0, \infty)$

Permutation Based Problems

$$f : A \rightarrow B$$

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When both the sets A and B contain an equal number of elements

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(v) Number of into function

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(ii) One-one (injective)

Case – II

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(iii) Many-one

Case – II

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(iv) Number of onto function

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(v) Number of into function

Case – III

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Case – III

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(ii) Number of injective mapping

Case – III

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(iii) Number of many-one

Case – III

Number of elements in codomain (B) is more than A

(iv) Number of onto function

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Number of elements in codomain (B) is more than A

(v) Number of into function

Functional Equations

Q. For $x \in \mathbb{R}$, the function $f(x)$ satisfies
 $2f(x) + f(1 - x) = x$ then the value of $f(4)$?

Functional Equations

Q. If $2f(x^2) + 3f(1/x^2) = x$ ($x \neq 0$) then $f(x^2)$ is :

(A) $\frac{1-x^4}{-5x^2}$

(B) $\frac{1-x^2}{5x}$

(C) $\frac{5x^2}{1-x^4}$

(D) $-\frac{2x^4+x^2-3}{5x^2}$

Functional Equations

Q. Let $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be functions which take integers as arguments.

Let $f(x+y) = f(x) + g(y) + 8$ for all integer x and y . Let $f(x) = x$ for all negative integers x , and let $g(8) = 17$. The value of $f(0)$ is

(A) 17 (B) 9 (C) 25 (D) -17

Functional Equations

- Q. Let $f(x) = ax^7 + bx^3 + cx - 5$, where a , b and c are constants. If $f(-7) = 7$, then $f(7)$ equals
- (A) -17 (B) -7 (C) 14 (D) 21

Functional Equations

- Q. The function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies the condition $m f(x - 1) + n f(-x) = 2|x| + 1$. If $f(-2) = 5$ and $f(1) = 1$, then $(m + n)$ equals
- (A) $4/3$ (B) 3 (C) 4 (D) 6

Functional Equations

Q. If $2f(x) - 3f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = x^2$ ($x \neq 0$) find $f(2)$

Functional Equations

Q. Let f be a real valued function of real and positive argument such that

$f(x) + 3x f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 2(x + 1)$ for all real $x > 0$. The value of $f(10099)$ is

(A) 550 (B) 505 (C) 5050 (D) 10010

Functional Equations

Q. Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function such that

$$\left(f(x^3 + 1)\right)^{\sqrt{x}} = 5, \quad \forall x \in (0, \infty)$$

$$\left(f\left(\frac{27 + y^3}{y^3}\right)\right)^{\sqrt{\frac{27}{y}}} \text{ for } y \in (0, \infty) \text{ is equal to}$$

(A) 5

(B) 5^2

(C) 5^3

(D) 5^6

Composite of Uniformly & Non-Uniformly Defined Function

Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ & $g : B \rightarrow C$ be two functions. Then the function $g \circ f : A \rightarrow C$ defined by $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) \forall x \in A$ is called the composite of the two functions

f & g . Diagrammatically

$$\xrightarrow{x} \boxed{f} \xrightarrow{f(x)} \boxed{g} \rightarrow g(f(x))$$

Note

- (i) The image of every $x \in A$ under the function $g \circ f$ is the g -image of the f -image of x .
- (ii) $g \circ f$ is defined only if $\forall x \in A$, $f(x)$ is an element of the domain of g so that we can take its g -image. The product $g \circ f$ of two functions f & g , the range of f must be a subset of the domain of g .
- (iii) $g \circ f$ in general is not equal to $f \circ g$.

Example

Q.1 If $f(x) = \log_{100x} \left(\frac{2\log_{10}x + 2}{-x} \right)$ and $g(x) = \{x\}$.

If the function $(f \circ g)(x)$ exists then find the range of $g(x)$.

Q.2 $f(x) = \text{Sgn}(x)$ and $g(x) = 1 + x - [x]$
then $f[g(x)] = ?$, $g[f(x)] = ?$

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- (iii) The composite of two bijections is a bijection i.e. if f and g are two bijections such that $g \circ f$ is defined, then $g \circ f$ is also a bijection.

Examples on Composite Function

Q. If $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = x - 7$
Find : (i) $g \circ f$

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Find : (iii) $g \circ g$

Examples on Composite Function

Q. If $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = x - 7$
Find : (iv) $f \circ g$

Examples on Composite Function

Q. $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the function defined by

$$f(x) = ax^2 - \sqrt{2}$$

for some positive a . If $(f \circ f)(\sqrt{2}) = -\sqrt{2}$ then the value of 'a' is

(A) $\sqrt{2}$

(B) 2

(C) $\frac{1}{2}$

(D) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

Examples on Composite Function

Q. Let $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$; $g(x) = \sqrt{2-x}$, find the domain of
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(D) $g \circ g$

Examples on Composite Function

Q. Prove that : $f(x) = x^2$

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{fof\ of\fof}}_{\mathbf{n\ times}} = \mathbf{x^{2^n}}$$

Examples on Composite Function

Q. Suppose that $f(x) = x^x$ and $g(x) = x^{2x}$. Which one of the following represents the composite function $f[g(x)]$, is

(A) $x^{x^{2x+1}}$

(B) $x^{2x^{2x}}$

(C) $x^{2x^{x+1}}$

(D) $x^{2x^{2x+1}}$

Examples on Composite Function

Q. $f(x) = \frac{2x-7}{x+3}$, find g such that $g(f(x)) = x$. for all x in domain of f .

Composite of Non Uniformly Defined Function

Examples

Q. $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1+x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 3-x & \text{if } 2 < x \leq 3 \end{cases}$ find fof

Q. $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1-x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ x+2 & \text{if } 1 < x < 2 \\ 4-x & \text{if } 2 \leq x \leq 4 \end{cases}$ find (fof) (x)

Q. $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1-x & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ x^2 & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$ and $g(x) = \begin{cases} -x & \text{if } x < 1 \\ 1-x & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$

find $(f \circ g)(x)$ and $(g \circ f)(x)$

Homogeneous Function

A function is said to be homogeneous with respect to any set of variable when each of its terms is of the same degree with respect to those variables.

$f(tx,ty) = t^n.f(x,y)$ then $f(x,y)$ is homogeneous function of degree n .

Example

Q. Find if $f(x)$ is homogeneous or not

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x}{y} \ln\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

Q. Find if $f(x)$ is homogeneous or not

$$f(x, y) = x + y \cos\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

Q. Find if $f(x)$ is homogeneous or not

$$f(x, y) = x + y \sin x$$

Q. Find if $f(x)$ is homogeneous or not

$$f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + x$$

Bounded Function

- (i) A function is said to be bounded if $|f(x)| \leq M$, where M is a finite quantity.

Bounded Function

- (ii) If graph of function can be bounded between 2 horizontal lines.

Bounded Function

- (iii) If Range of function contains ∞ or $-\infty \Rightarrow$ function is not bounded.

Example

Find if $f(x)$ is bounded or not

Q. $\text{sgn}(x)$

Find if $f(x)$ is bounded or not

Q. $\sin(x)$

Find if $f(x)$ is bounded or not

Q. $\tan(x)$

Find if $f(x)$ is bounded or not

Q. $[x]$

Find if $f(x)$ is bounded or not

Q. $\{x\}$

Find if $f(x)$ is bounded or not

Q. $|x|$

Find if $f(x)$ is bounded or not

Q. $\cos(x)$

Find if $f(x)$ is bounded or not

Q. $\ln(x)$

Find if $f(x)$ is bounded or not

Q. e^x

Q. $f(x) = 2^{\frac{1}{x-1}}$ on $(0,1)$

Q. $f(x) = 2^{\frac{1}{x-1}}$ on $(1,2)$

Implicit & Explicit Function

A function defined by an equation not solved for the dependent variable is called an **IMPLICIT FUNCTION**. For eg. The equation $x^3 + y^3 = 1$ defines y as an implicit function. If y has been expressed in terms of x alone then it is called an **EXPLICIT FUNCTION**.

Example

Q. $x = 2y - y^2$. Find domain of implicit form

Odd and Even Function

A function $f(x)$ defined on the symmetric interval $(-a, a)$

If $f(-x) = f(x)$ for all x in the domain of 'f' then f is said to be an even function.

If $f(-x) = -f(x)$ for all x in the domain of 'f' then f is said to be an odd function.

Note : A function may neither be odd nor even.

Example

Identify given below functions as odd, even or none

Q. $f(x) = x^2$

Q. $f(x) = x^4 + x^5 + x^3 + 3x$

Q. $f(x) = \cos x$

Q. $f(x) = \tan x$

Q. $f(x) = 2x^3 - x + 1$

Q. $f(x) = \ln \frac{1-x}{1+x}$

Q. $f(x) = x \tan^2 x + x^3 - 3x$

Q. $f(x) = x^3 + x^2$

Note

- (a) $f(x) - f(-x) = 0 \Rightarrow f(x)$ is even &
 $f(x) + f(-x) = 0 \Rightarrow f(x)$ is odd.

Note

(b) Inverse of an even function is not defined.

Note

- (c) Every even function is symmetric about the X-axis & every odd function is symmetric about the origin.

Note

- (d) Every function can be expressed as the sum of an even & an odd function.

Note

- (e) The only function which is defined on the entire number line & is even and odd at the same time is $f(x) = 0$

Note

- (f) If f and g both are even or both are odd then the function $f.g$ will be even but if any one of them is odd then $f.g$ will be odd.

Example

Q. Express e^x as sum of an odd & even function

Q. Identify whether the function given below is
Odd/Even/NONE

$$(1) \quad y = \ln \frac{1-x}{1+x}$$

Q. Identify whether the function given below is
Odd/Even/NONE

(2) $y = x \sin^2 x - x^3$

Q. Identify whether the function given below is Odd/Even/NONE

$$(3) \quad y = \sqrt{1+x+x^2} - \sqrt{1-x+x^2}$$

Q. Identify whether the function given below is Odd/Even/NONE

$$(4) \quad y = \frac{1+2^x}{1-2^x}$$

Q. Identify whether the function given below is Odd/Even/NONE

$$(5) \quad y = \ln\left(x + \sqrt{1 + x^2}\right)$$

Inverse of a Function

Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a one-one & onto function, then there exists a unique function

$g : B \rightarrow A$ such that $f(x) = y \Leftrightarrow g(y) = x$, $\forall x \in A$ & $y \in B$. Then g is said to be inverse of f .

Thus $g = f^{-1} : B \rightarrow A \{ (f(x), x) \mid (x, f(x)) \in f \}$.

Example

Compute the inverse of the following bijective.

Q. If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, $f(x) = 10^{x+1}$

Compute the inverse of the following bijective.

Q. If $f : (-2, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = 1 + \ln(x + 2)$

Compute the inverse of the following bijective.

Q. If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0,1)$, $f(x) = \frac{2^x}{1+2^x}$

Properties of Inverse Function

- (1) The inverse of a bijection is unique.

Properties of Inverse Function

- (2) If $f : A \rightarrow B$ is a bijection & $g : B \rightarrow A$ is the inverse of f , then $f \circ g = I_B$ and $g \circ f = I_A$, where I_A & I_B are identity functions on the sets A & B respectively.

Properties of Inverse Function

(3) The inverse of a bijection is also a bijection.

Properties of Inverse Function

- (4) If f & g are two bijections $f : A \rightarrow B$. $g : B \rightarrow C$ then the inverse of $g \circ f$ exists and $(g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$.

Note

Function are not generally one-one onto. To make them invertible we redefine them in such a manner that they become one-one & onto in certain part of domain

Example

Q. A function

$$f : \left[\frac{3}{2}, \infty \right) \rightarrow \left[\frac{7}{4}, \infty \right)$$

$f(x) = x^2 - 3x + 4$. Solve the equation $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$

Q. If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $f(x) = x^3 + (a + 2)x^2 + 3ax + 5$ is an invertible mapping find range of a .

Q. $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [1, \infty)$

$$f(x) = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} \quad \text{find } f^{-1}(x)$$

Q. If $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [1, \infty)$

$$f(x) = \frac{e^{x/2} - e^{-x/2}}{2}; \text{ Find } f^{-1}(x)$$

Periodic Function

A function $f(x)$ is called periodic if there exists a positive number T ($T > 0$) called the period of the function such that $f(x + T) = f(x)$, for all values of x within the domain of x .

Note

(a) $f(T) = f(0) = f(-T)$, where 'T' is the period.

Note

- (a) $f(T) = f(0) = f(-T)$, where 'T' is the period.
- (b) Inverse of a periodic function does not exist.

Example

Q. If f is periodic and $T = 1$, $f(2) = 5$, $f(9/4) = 2$
Find $f(3)$, $f(9)$, $f(-3)$, $f(1/4)$

Q. If $f(x) = x \ \forall \ x \in [0, 2]$ and $f(x)$ is even and $T = 4$, find $f(5)$, $f(7.1)$, $f(-1)$, $f(-7)$.
Also draw graph of function.

Note

1. Every constant function is always periodic, with no fundamental period

Note

2. If $f(x)$ has a period T & $g(x)$ also has a period T then it does not mean that $f(x) + g(x)$ must have a period T . e.g. $f(x) = |\sin x| + |\cos x|$.

Note

3. If $f(x)$ has a period p , then

$\frac{1}{f(x)}$ and $\sqrt{f(x)}$ also has a period p .

Example

Q. Period of $\sin (2x + 7)$

Q. Period of $\cos (2\pi x)$

Q. Period of $|\sin x|$

Q. Find period of $|\sin(3x + 7)| + |\cos(3x + 7)|$

Q. Find period of $f(x) = \cos(\sin x)$

Q. Find period of $f(x) = \sin(\cos x)$

Q. Find period of $y = x - [x]$

Q. Find period of $f(x) = \{3x\}$

Q. Find period of $f(x) = \sin^4 x + \cos^4 x$

Q. Find period of

$$f(x) = \cos \frac{2x}{3} - \sin \frac{4x}{5}$$

Q. Find period of
 $f(x) = \sin x + \cos \sqrt{2} x$

Q Show that : $f(x) = \cos \sqrt{x}$; $x \sin x$ and $\sin x + \{x\}$ are aperiodic.

Q. Find a if :

$f(x) = (a + 3)x + 5a$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ is periodic.

Q. $\{x\} + \left\{\frac{x}{2}\right\} + \left\{\frac{x}{3}\right\} = f$. Find period of f

Q. If $f(x) = \{x\} + \{2x\} + \{3x\}$, Find period of $f(x)$

Q. If $f(x) = f(x + 2) + f(x - 2) \quad \forall x \in D_f$, find period of $f(x)$

GENERAL

Note

If x, y are independent variables, then :

$$(1) \quad f(xy) = f(x) + f(y) \Rightarrow f(x) = k \ln x \text{ or } f(x) = 0$$

Note

If x, y are independent variables, then :

$$(2) \quad f(xy) = f(x) \cdot f(y) \Rightarrow f(x) = x^n, n \in \mathbb{R}$$

Note

If x, y are independent variables, then :

$$(3) \quad f(x + y) = f(x) \cdot f(y) \Rightarrow f(x) = a^{kx}.$$

Note

If x, y are independent variables, then :

$$(4) \quad f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y) \Rightarrow f(x) = kx,$$

where k is a constant.

Q. Which of the following functions is periodic ?

(a) $f(x) = x - [x]$ where $[x]$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to the real number x

(b) $f(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x}$ for $x \neq 0$, $f(0) = 0$

(c) $f(x) = x \cos x$

(d) None of these

[IIT-JEE 1982]

Q. For real x , the function $\frac{(x-a)(x-b)}{(x-c)}$ will assume all real values provided.

(a) $a > b > c$

(b) $a < b < c$

(c) $a > c < b$

(d) $a \leq c \leq b$

[IIT-JEE 1984]

Q. If $g\{f(x)\} = |\sin x|$ and $f\{g(x)\} = (\sin \sqrt{x})^2$, then

(a) $f(x) = \sin^2 x$, $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$

(b) $f(x) = \sin x$, $g(x) = |x|$

(c) $f(x) = x^2$, $g(x) = \sin \sqrt{x}$

(d) f and g cannot be determined [IIT-JEE 1988]

Q. If $f(x) = 3x - 5$, then $f^{-1}(x)$

(a) is given by $\frac{1}{3x-5}$

(b) is given by $\frac{x+5}{3}$

(c) does not exist because f is not one-one

(d) does not exist because f is not onto

[IIT-JEE 1998]

Q. If the function $f : [1, \infty) \rightarrow [1, \infty)$ is defined by $f(x) = 2^{x(x-1)}$, then $f^{-1}(x)$ is

(a) $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{x(x-1)}$

(b) $\frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{1 + 4 \log_2 x})$

(c) $\frac{1}{2}(1 - \sqrt{1 + 4 \log_2 x})$

(d) not defined

[IIT-JEE 1999]

Q. The domain of definition of the function $y(x)$ is given by the equation $2^x + 2^y = 2$, is

(a) $0 < x \leq 1$

(b) $0 \leq x \leq 1$

(c) $-\infty < x \leq 0$

(d) $-\infty < x < 1$

[IIT-JEE 2000]

Q. For all $x \in (0, 1)$

(a) $e^x < 1 + x$

(b) $\log_e (1 + x) < x$

(c) $\sin x > x$

(d) $\log_e x > x$

[IIT-JEE 2000]

Q. Let $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $F(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt$.

If $F(x^2) = x^2(1 + x)$, then $f(4)$ equals

- (a) $5/4$ (b) 7 (c) 4 (d) 2

[IIT-JEE 2000]

Q. Let $g(x) = 1 + x - [x]$ and $f(x) = \begin{cases} -1, & x < 0 \\ 1, & x = 0, \\ 1, & x > 0 \end{cases}$
then for all x , $f[g(x)]$ is equal to

(a) x

(b) 1

(c) $f(x)$

(d) $g(x)$

[IIT-JEE 2001]

Q. If $f : [1, \infty) \rightarrow [2, \infty)$ is given by $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$, then $f^{-1}(x)$ equals.

(a) $\frac{x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4}}{2}$

(b) $\frac{x}{1 + x^2}$

(c) $\frac{x - \sqrt{x^2 - 4}}{2}$

(d) $1 + \sqrt{x^2 - 4}$

[IIT-JEE 2001]

Q. The domain of definition of $f(x) = \frac{\log_2(x+3)}{x^2 + 3x + 2}$ is

(a) $\mathbb{R}/\{-1, -2\}$

(b) $(-2, \infty)$

(c) $\mathbb{R}/\{-1, -2, -3\}$

(d) $(-3, \infty) / \{-1, -2\}$

[IIT-JEE 2001]

Q. Let $f(x) = (1 + b^2)x^2 + 2bx + 1$ and let $m(b)$ be the minimum value of $f(x)$. As b varies, the range of $m(b)$ is

(a) $[0, 1]$

(b) $\left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right]$

(c) $\left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right]$

(d) $(0, 1]$ [IIT-JEE 2001]

Q. Let $E = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and $F = \{1, 2\}$, Then, the number of onto functions from E to F is

- (a) 14 (b) 16 (c) 12 (d) 8

[IIT-JEE 2001]

Q. Let $f(x) = \frac{\alpha x}{x+1}, x \neq -1$. Then, for what value

of α is $f[f(x)] = x$?

(a) $\sqrt{2}$

(b) $-\sqrt{2}$

(c) 1

(d) -1

[IIT-JEE 2001]

Q. Suppose, $f(x) = (x + 1)^2$ for $x \geq -1$. If $g(x)$ is the function whose graph is reflection of the graph of $f(x)$ with respect to the line $y = x$, then $g(x)$ equals.

(a) $-\sqrt{x} - 1, x \geq 0$

(b) $\frac{1}{(x+1)^2}, x > -1$

(c) $\sqrt{x+1}, x \geq -1$

(d) $\sqrt{x} - 1, x \geq 0$

[IIT-JEE 2002]

Q. Let function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $f(x) = 2x + \sin x$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then, f is

- (a) one-to-one and onto
- (b) one-to-one but not onto
- (c) onto but not one-to-one
- (d) neither one-to-one nor onto [IIT-JEE 2002]

Q. If $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$, then f is

(a) one-one and onto

(b) one-one but not onto

(c) onto but not one-one

(d) neither one-one nor onto

[IIT-JEE 2003]

Q. Range of the function $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + x + 2}{x^2 + x + 1}; x \in \mathbf{R}$ is

(a) $(1, \infty)$

(b) $(1, 11/7)$

(c) $(1, 7/3]$

(d) $(1, 7/5)$ [IIT-JEE 2003]

Q. Domain of definition of the function

$$f(x) = \sqrt{\sin^{-1}(2x) + \frac{\pi}{6}} \text{ for real valued } x, \text{ is}$$

(a) $\left[-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$

(b) $\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$

(c) $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{9}\right)$

(d) $\left[-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}\right]$

[IIT-JEE 2003]

Q. If $f(x)=\sin x+\cos x$, $g(x)=x^2-1$, then $g\{f(x)\}$ is invertible in the domain.

(a) $\left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

(b) $\left[-\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{4}\right]$

(c) $\left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$

(d) $[0, \pi]$ [IIT-JEE 2004]

Q. $f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } x \text{ is rational} \\ 0, & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \text{ is rational} \\ x, & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$$

Then, $f-g$ is

- (a) one-one and into
- (b) neither one-one nor onto
- (c) many one and onto
- (d) one-one and onto

[IIT-JEE 2005]

- Q. If X and Y are two non-empty sets where $f : X \rightarrow Y$, is function is defined such that $f(C) = \{f(x) : x \in C\}$ for $C \subseteq X$ and $f^{-1}(D) = \{x : f(x) \in D\}$ for $D \subseteq Y$, for an $A \subseteq Y$ and $B \subseteq Y$, then
- (a) $f^{-1} \{f(A)\} = A$
 - (b) $f^{-1} \{f(A)\} = A$ only if $f(X) = Y$
 - (c) $f \{f^{-1}(B)\} = B$ only if $B \subseteq f(X)$
 - (d) $f \{f^{-1}(B)\} = B$
- [IIT-JEE 2005]

Q. Let $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. The total number of unordered pairs of disjoint subsets of S is equal to

- (a) 25 (b) 34 (c) 42 (d) 41

[IIT-JEE 2010]

Q. Let $f(x)=x^2$ and $g(x)=\sin x$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then, the set of all x satisfying $(f \circ g \circ g \circ f)(x) = (g \circ g \circ f \circ f)(x)$, where $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$, is

(a) $\pm\sqrt{n\pi}, n \in \{0,1,2,\dots\}$

(b) $\pm\sqrt{n\pi}, n \in \{1,2,\dots\}$

(c) $\frac{\pi}{2} + 2n\pi, n \in \{\dots,-2,-1,0,1,2,\dots\}$

(d) $2n\pi, n \in \{\dots,-2,-1,0,1,2,\dots\}$

[IIT-JEE 2011]

Multiple Choice Questions

Q. If $y = f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x-1}$, then

(a) $x = f(y)$

(b) $f(1) = 3$

(c) y increases with x for $x < 1$

(d) f is a rational function of x [IIT-JEE 1984]

Q. If S is the set of all real x such that $\frac{2x-1}{2x^3+3x^2+x}$ is positive. Then S contains

(a) $\left(-\infty, -\frac{3}{2}\right)$

(b) $\left(-\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$

(c) $\left(-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

(d) $\left(\frac{1}{2}, 3\right)$ [IIT-JEE 1986]

Q. Let $g(x)$ be a function defined on $[-1, 1]$. If the area of the equilateral triangle with two of its vertices at $(0, 0)$ and $[x, g(x)]$ is $\sqrt{3}/4$ then the function $g(x)$ is

(a) $g(x) = \pm\sqrt{1-x^2}$

(b) $g(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2}$

(c) $g(x) = -\sqrt{1-x^2}$

(d) $g(x) = \sqrt{1+x^2}$

[IIT-JEE 1989]

Q. If $f(x) = \cos[\pi^2]x + \cos[-\pi^2]x$, where $[x]$ stands for the greatest integer function, then

(a) $f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -1$

(b) $f(\pi) = 1$

(c) $f(-\pi) = 0$

(d) $f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 1$

[IIT-JEE 1991]

- Q. Let $f : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $f(x) = \frac{b-x}{1-bx}$, where b is a constant such that $0 < b < 1$. Then,
- (a) f is not invertible on $(0, 1)$
 - (b) $f \neq f^{-1}$ on $(0, 1)$ and $f'(b) = \frac{1}{f'(0)}$
 - (c) $f = f^{-1}$ on $(0, 1)$ and $f'(b) = \frac{1}{f'(0)}$
 - (d) f^{-1} is differentiable on $(0, 1)$ [IIT-JEE 2011]

Fill in the Blank Question

Q. The values of $f(x) = 3\sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi^2}{16} - x^2}\right)$
lie in the interval.....

[IIT-JEE 1983]

Q. The domain of the function $f(x) = \sin^{-1}\left(\log_2 \frac{x^2}{2}\right)$
is given by..... [IIT-JEE 1984]

Q. If $f(x) = \sin \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{4-x^2}}{1-x} \right)$, then the domain of $f(x)$ is.... [IIT-JEE 1985]

Q. There are exactly two distinct linear functions,
..... and which map $\{-1, 1\}$ onto $\{0, 2\}$.

[IIT-JEE 1989]

Q. If f is an even function defined on the interval $(-5, 5)$, then four real values of x satisfying the equation $f(x) = f\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right)$ are.....

[IIT-JEE 1996]

Q. If $f(x) = \sin^2 x + \sin^2 \left(x + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) + \cos x \cos \left(x + \frac{\pi}{3} \right)$
and $g\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) = 1$, then $(g \circ f)(x) = \dots$ [IIT-JEE 1996]

Q. Let $y = \sqrt{\frac{(x+1)(x-3)}{(x-2)}}$

Find all the real values of x for which y takes real values. [IIT-JEE 1980]

Q. Given $A = \left\{ x : \frac{\pi}{6} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{3} \right\}$ and $f(x) = \cos x - x$
(1+x) find $f(A)$. [IIT-JEE 1980]

Q. Let f be a one-one function with domain $\{x, y, z\}$ and range $\{1, 2, 3\}$. It is given that exactly one of the following statements is true and the remaining two are false

$f(x) = 1$, $f(y) \neq 1$, $f(z) \neq 2$ determine $f^{-1}(1)$.

[IIT-JEE 1982]

Q. Find the natural number a for which

$$\sum_{k=1}^n f(a+k) = 16(2^n - 1).$$

where the function f satisfies the relation

$f(x+y) = f(x) f(y)$ for all natural numbers x, y
and further $f(1) = 2$. [IIT-JEE 1992]

Q. A function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where \mathbb{R} , is the set of real numbers, is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{\alpha x^2 + 6x - 8}{\alpha + 6x - 8x^2}$$

Find the interval of values of α for which is onto. Is the functions one-to-one for $\alpha = 3$?
Justify your answer. [IIT-JEE 1996]

Q. Find the range of values of t for which

$$2 \sin t = \frac{1 - 2x + 5x^2}{3x^2 - 2x - 1}, \quad t \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right].$$

[IIT-JEE 2005]