

## SOLVED EXAMPLES

**Ex.1** Which of the following is a function?

- (A)  $\{(2,1), (2,2), (2,3), (2,4)\}$   
 (B)  $\{(1,4), (2,5), (1,6), (3,9)\}$   
 (C)  $\{(1,2), (3,3), (2,3), (1,4)\}$   
 (D)  $\{(1,2), (2,2), (3,2), (4,2)\}$

**Sol.** We know that for a relation to be function every element of first set should be associated with one and only one element of second set but elements of first set can have same f-image in second set which is given in (D).

**Ans.[D]**

**Ex.2** If  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x-1} = \frac{1}{y}$ , then  $f(y)$  equals

- (A)  $x$  (B)  $x-1$   
 (C)  $x+1$  (D)  $1-x$

**Sol.**  $f(y) = \frac{y}{y-1} = \frac{(x-1)/x}{\frac{x-1}{x}-1} = \frac{x-1}{x-1-x} = 1-x.$

**Ans.[D]**

**Ex.3** The domain of  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^3-x}$  is -

- (A)  $\mathbb{R} - \{-1,0,1\}$  (B)  $\mathbb{R}$   
 (C)  $\mathbb{R} - \{0,1\}$  (D) None of these

**Sol.** Domain =  $\{x; x \in \mathbb{R}; x^3 - x \neq 0\}$   
 $= \mathbb{R} - \{-1, 0, 1\}$

**Ans.[A]**

**Ex.4** The range of  $f(x) = \cos \frac{\pi[x]}{2}$  is -

- (A)  $\{0,1\}$  (B)  $\{-1,1\}$   
 (C)  $\{-1,0,1\}$  (D)  $[-1,1]$

**Sol.**  $[x]$  is an integer,  $\cos(-x) = \cos x$  and

$$\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0, \cos 2\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = -1.$$

$$\cos 0\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1, \cos 3\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 0, \dots$$

Hence range =  $\{-1,0,1\}$

**Ans.[C]**

**Ex.5** If  $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x) = x^2 + 2$  and

$$g: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+, g(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$$

then  $(f+g)(x)$  equals -

- (A)  $\sqrt{x^2+3}$  (B)  $x+3$   
 (C)  $\sqrt{x^2+2} + (x+1)$  (D)  $x^2+2 + \sqrt{x+1}$

**Sol.**  $(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$

$$= x^2 + 2 + \sqrt{x+1} \quad \text{Ans. [D]}$$

**Ex.6** Function  $f(x) = x^{-2} + x^{-3}$  is -

- (A) a rational function  
 (B) an irrational function  
 (C) an inverse function  
 (D) None of these

**Sol.**  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^3} = \frac{x+1}{x^3}$

= ratio of two polynomials

$\therefore f(x)$  is a rational function.

**Ans.[A]**

**Ex.7** The period of  $|\sin 2x|$  is-

- (A)  $\pi/4$  (B)  $\pi/2$  (C)  $\pi$  (D)  $2\pi$

**Sol.** Here  $|\sin 2x| = \sqrt{\sin^2 2x}$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{1-\cos 4x}{2}}$$

Period of  $\cos 4x$  is  $\pi/2$

Period of  $|\sin 2x|$  will be  $\pi/2$ .

**Ans.[B]**

**Ex.8** If  $f(x) = \frac{x-3}{x+1}$ , then  $f[f\{f(x)\}]$  equals -

- (A)  $x$  (B)  $1/x$  (C)  $-x$  (D)  $-1/x$

**Sol.** Here  $f\{f(x)\} = f\left(\frac{x-3}{x+1}\right) = \frac{\left(\frac{x-3}{x+1}\right)-3}{\left(\frac{x-3}{x+1}\right)+1} = \frac{x+3}{1-x}$

$$\therefore f[f\{f(x)\}] = \frac{\frac{x+3}{1-x}-3}{\frac{x+3}{1-x}+1} = \frac{4x}{4} = x \quad \text{Ans. [A]}$$

**Ex.9** If  $f(x) = 2|x-2| - 3|x-3|$ , then the value of  $f(x)$  when  $2 < x < 3$  is -

- (A)  $5-x$  (B)  $x-5$

(C)  $5x - 13$  (D) None of these

**Sol.**  $2 < x < 3 \Rightarrow |x - 2| = x - 2$   
 $|x - 3| = 3 - x$   
 $f(x) = 2(x - 2) - 3(3 - x) = 5x - 13$ . **Ans. [C]**

**Ex.10** Which of the following functions defined from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  are one-one -

(A)  $f(x) = |x|$  (B)  $f(x) = \cos x$   
 (C)  $f(x) = e^x$  (D)  $f(x) = x^2$

**Sol.**  $x_1 \neq x_2 \Rightarrow e^{x_1} \neq e^{x_2}$   
 $\Rightarrow f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$   
 $\therefore f(x) = e^x$  is one-one. **Ans. [C]**

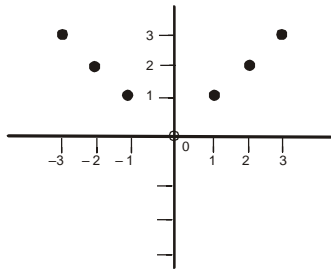
**Ex.11** The function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = x^2$  is -

(A) one-one but not onto  
 (B) onto but not one-one  
 (C) one-one onto  
 (D) None of these

**Sol.**  $\because 4 \neq -4$ , but  $f(4) = f(-4) = 16$   
 $\therefore f$  is many one function.  
 Again  $f(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$   $\mathbb{R}$ , therefore  $f$  is into.

**Ans. [D]**

**Ex.12** If  $f: I_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f(x) = |x|$ , then  $f$  is -



(A) one-one (B) onto  
 (C) one-one onto (D) none of these

**Sol.** Observing the graph of this function, we find that every line parallel to  $x$ -axis meets its graph at more than one point so it is not one-one.

Now range of  $f = \mathbb{N} =$  Co-domain, so it is onto.

**Ans. [B]**

**Ex.13** If  $f: \mathbb{R} - \{3\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$ ,  $f(x) = \frac{x-2}{x-3}$  then

function  $f(x)$  is -

(A) Only one-one (B) one-one into  
 (C) Many one onto (D) one-one onto

**Sol.**  $\therefore f(x) = \frac{x-2}{x-3}$   
 $\therefore f'(x) = \frac{(x-3) \cdot 1 - (x-2) \cdot 1}{(x-3)^2} = \frac{-1}{(x-3)^2}$

$\therefore f'(x) < 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R} - \{3\}$

$\therefore f(x)$  is monotonically decreasing function  
 $\Rightarrow f$  is one-one function.

onto/ into : Let  $y \in \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$  (co-domain)

Then one element  $x \in \mathbb{R} - \{3\}$  is domain is such that

$$f(x) = y \Rightarrow \frac{x-2}{x-3} = y \Rightarrow x-2 = xy-3y$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \left( \frac{3y-2}{y-1} \right) = x \in \mathbb{R} - \{3\}$$

$\therefore$  the pre-image of each element of co-domain  $\mathbb{R} - \{1\}$  exists in domain  $\mathbb{R} - \{3\}$ .

$\Rightarrow f$  is onto. **Ans. [D]**

**Ex.14** Function  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f(x) = 2x + 3$  is -

(A) one-one onto (B) one-one into  
 (C) many one onto (D) many one into

**Sol.**  $f$  is one-one because for any  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{N}$   
 $x_1 \neq x_2 \Rightarrow 2x_1 + 3 \neq 2x_2 + 3 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$

Further  $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-3}{2} \notin \mathbb{N}$  (domain) when

$x = 1, 2, 3$  etc.

$\therefore f$  is into which shows that  $f$  is one-one into.

**Alter**

$$f(x) = 2x + 3$$

$$f'(x) = 2 > 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\therefore f(x)$  is increasing function

$\therefore f(x)$  is one-one function

&  $\because x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$\therefore$  min value of  $f(x)$  is  $2 \cdot 1 + 3 = 5$

$\therefore f(x) \neq \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

$\therefore$  Co Domain  $\neq$  Range

$\therefore f(x)$  is into function **Ans. [B]**

**Ex.15** Function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = x^3 - x$  is -

(A) one-one onto (B) one-one into  
 (C) many-one onto (D) many-one into

**Sol.** Since  $-1 \neq 1$ , but  $f(-1) = f(1)$ , therefore  $f$  is many-one.

Also let,  $f(x) = x^3 - x = \alpha \Rightarrow x^3 - x - \alpha = 0$ .

This is a cubic equation in  $x$  which has at least

one real root because complex roots always occur in pairs. Therefore each element of co-domain  $\mathbb{R}$  has pre-image in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Thus function  $f$  is onto .

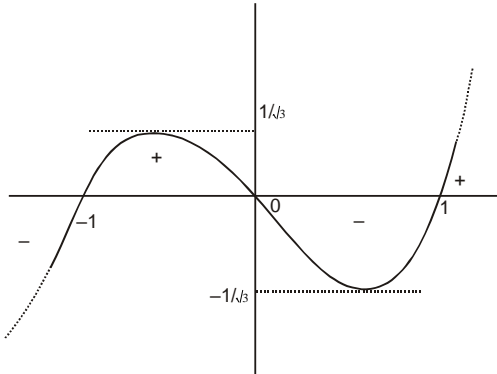
$\therefore$  function  $f$  is many-one onto.

**Alter**

$$f(x) = x^3 - x$$

$$= x(x-1)(x+1)$$

graph of  $f(x)$  is



from graph function is many one- onto function

**Ans. [C]**

**Ex.16** If  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = 2x - 1$  and  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g(x) = x^2 + 2$ , then  $(g \circ f)(x)$  equals-

- (A)  $2x^2 - 1$  (B)  $(2x - 1)^2$   
 (C)  $2x^2 + 3$  (D)  $4x^2 - 4x + 3$

**Sol.** Here  $(g \circ f)(x) = g[f(x)] = g(2x - 1)$   
 $= (2x - 1)^2 + 2 = 4x^2 - 4x + 3$ . **Ans. [D]**

**Ex.17** If  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = 4x^3 + 3$ , then  $f^{-1}(x)$  equals-

- (A)  $\left(\frac{x-3}{4}\right)^{1/3}$  (B)  $\left(\frac{x^{1/3}-3}{4}\right)$   
 (C)  $\frac{1}{4}(x-3)^{1/3}$  (D) None of these

**Sol.** Since  $f$  is a bijection, therefore  $f^{-1}$  exists. Now if  $f$ -image of  $x$  is  $y$ , then  $f^{-1} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined as follows :

$$f^{-1}(y) = x \Rightarrow f(x) = y$$

$$\text{But } f(x) = 4x^3 + 3 \Rightarrow y = 4x^3 + 3 \Rightarrow x = \left(\frac{y-3}{4}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$\text{Therefore } f^{-1}(y) = \left(\frac{y-3}{4}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(x) = \left(\frac{x-3}{4}\right)^{1/3} \quad \text{Ans. [A]}$$

**Ex.18**  $f(x) = \sqrt{|x-1|}$  and  $g(x) = \sin x$  then  $(f \circ g)(x)$  equals -

- (A)  $\sin \left\{ \sqrt{|x-1|} \right\}$   
 (B)  $|\sin x/2 - \cos x/2|$   
 (C)  $|\sin x - \cos x|$   
 (D) None of these

**Sol.**  $(f \circ g)(x) = f[g(x)] = f[\sin x]$   
 $= \sqrt{|\sin x - 1|}$   
 $= \sqrt{|1 - \sin x|}$   
 $= \sqrt{|\sin^2 x/2 + \cos^2 x/2 - 2\sin x/2 \cos x/2|}$   
 $= \sqrt{|\sin x/2 - \cos x/2|^2}$   
 $= |\sin x/2 - \cos x/2|$  **Ans.[B]**

**Ex.19** If  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = 2x + 1$  and  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g(x) = x^3$ , then  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(27)$  equals -  
 (A) -1 (B) 0 (C) 1 (D) 2

**Sol.** Here  $f(x) = 2x + 1$   $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-1}{2}$   
 and  $g(x) = x^3 \Rightarrow g^{-1}(x) = x^{1/3}$   
 $\therefore (g \circ f)^{-1}(27) = (f^{-1} \circ g^{-1})(27)$   
 $= f^{-1}[g^{-1}(27)] = f^{-1}[(27)^{1/3}]$   
 $= f^{-1}(3) = \frac{3-1}{2} = 1$  **Ans.[C]**

**Ex.20** The domain of function  $f(x) = \sqrt{2^x - 3^x}$  is -  
 (A)  $(-\infty, 0]$  (B)  $\mathbb{R}$

- (C)  $[0, \infty)$  (D) No value of  $x$

**Sol.** Domain =  $\{x ; 2^x - 3^x \geq 0\} = \{x ; (2/3)^x \geq 1\}$   
 $= x \in (-\infty, 0]$  **Ans.[A]**

**Ex.21** The domain of the function

$$f(x) = \sin^{-1} \left( \log_2 \frac{x^2}{2} \right) \text{ is -}$$

- (A)  $[-2, 2] - (-1, 1)$  (B)  $[-1, 2] - \{0\}$   
 (C)  $[1, 2]$  (D)  $[-2, 2] - \{0\}$

**Sol.** We know that the domain of  $\sin^{-1}x$  is  $[-1,1]$ . So for  $f(x)$  to be meaningful, we must have

$$\begin{aligned} -1 &\leq \log_2 \frac{x^2}{2} \leq 1 \\ \Rightarrow 2^{-1} &\leq x^2/2 \leq 2 \quad x \neq 0 \\ \Rightarrow 1 &\leq x^2 \leq 4, \quad x \neq 0 \\ \Rightarrow x &\in [-2, -1] \cup [1, 2] \\ \Rightarrow x &\in [-2, 2] - (-1, 1) \quad \text{Ans. [A]} \end{aligned}$$

**Ex.22** The range of function  $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{1+x^2}$  is -

- (A)  $\mathbb{R} - \{1\}$                       (B)  $\mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$   
 (C)  $[0, 1]$                           (D) None of these

**Sol.** Range is containing those real numbers  $y$  for which  $f(x) = y$  where  $x$  is real number.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } f(x) = y &\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} = y \\ \Rightarrow x &= \sqrt{\frac{y}{1-y}} \quad \dots(1) \end{aligned}$$

by (1) clearly  $y \neq 1$ , and for  $x$  to be real

$$\frac{y}{1-y} \geq 0 \Rightarrow y \geq 0 \text{ and } y < 1.$$

( $\because$  If  $y = 2$  then  $\frac{y}{1-y} = \frac{2}{1-2} = (-2)$  and

$$\sqrt{\frac{y}{1-y}} = \sqrt{-2} \notin \mathbb{R})$$

$$\therefore 0 \leq y < 1$$

$$\therefore \text{Range of function} = (0 \leq y < 1) = [0, 1)$$

**Ans. [D]**

**Ex.23** If  $f(x) = \cos(\log x)$ , then  $f(x)f(y) - 1/2 [f(x/y) + f(xy)]$  is equal to

- (A)  $-1$                               (B)  $1/2$   
 (C)  $-2$                               (D)  $0$

**Sol.**  $\cos(\log x) \cos(\log y)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} [\cos(\log x/y) + \cos(\log xy)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\cos(\log x + \log y) + \cos(\log x - \log y)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\cos(\log x - \log y) + \cos(\log x + \log y)] \end{aligned}$$

$$= 0$$

**Ans. [D]**

**Ex.24** If  $f(x) = \frac{2^x + 2^{-x}}{2}$ , then  $f(x+y) \cdot f(x-y)$  is equal to -

- (A)  $\frac{1}{2} [f(x+y) + f(x-y)]$   
 (B)  $\frac{1}{2} [f(2x) + f(2y)]$   
 (C)  $\frac{1}{2} [f(x+y) \cdot f(x-y)]$   
 (D) None of these

**Sol.**  $f(x+y) \cdot f(x-y) = \frac{2^{x+y} + 2^{-x-y}}{2} \cdot \frac{2^{x+y} + 2^{-x-y}}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{2^{2x} + 2^{2y} + 2^{-2x} + 2^{-2y}}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{2^{2x} + 2^{-2x}}{2} \cdot \frac{2^{2y} + 2^{-2y}}{2} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [f(2x) + f(2y)] \quad \text{Ans. [B]} \end{aligned}$$

**Ex.25** If  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = 2x + |x|$ , then  $f(3x) - f(-x) - 4x$  equals -

- (A)  $f(x)$                               (B)  $-f(x)$   
 (C)  $f(-x)$                           (D)  $2f(x)$

**Sol.**  $f(3x) - f(-x) - 4x$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 6x + |3x| - \{-2x + |-x|\} - 4x \\ &= 6x + 3|x| + 2x - |x| - 4x \\ &= 4x + 2|x| = 2f(x). \quad \text{Ans. [D]} \end{aligned}$$

**Ex.26** If  $g(x) = x^2 + x - 2$  and  $\frac{1}{2}(\text{gof})(x) = 2x^2 - 5x + 2$ , then  $f(x)$  is equal to -

- (A)  $2x - 3$                           (B)  $2x + 3$   
 (C)  $2x^2 + 3x + 1$                   (D)  $2x^2 - 3x - 1$

**Sol.**  $g(x) = x^2 + x - 2$

$$\Rightarrow (\text{gof})(x) = g[f(x)] = [f(x)]^2 + f(x) - 2$$

Given,  $\frac{1}{2}(\text{gof})(x) = 2x^2 - 5x + 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{1}{2} [f(x)]^2 + \frac{1}{2} f(x) - 1 &= 2x^2 - 5x + 2 \\ \Rightarrow [f(x)]^2 + f(x) &= 4x^2 - 10x + 6 \\ \Rightarrow f(x) [f(x) + 1] &= (2x - 3) [(2x - 3) + 1] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 2x - 3$$

**Ans.[A]**

$$\text{Required value} = 1 + 0 = 1.$$

**Ans.[B]**

**Ex.27** If  $f(x) = |x|$  and  $g(x) = [x]$ , then value of

$$f \circ g \left( -\frac{1}{4} \right) + g \circ f \left( -\frac{1}{4} \right) \text{ is -}$$

(A) 0

(B) 1

(C) -1

(D) 1/4

**Sol.**  $f \circ g = f \left[ g \left( -\frac{1}{4} \right) \right] = f(-1) = 1$

$$\text{and } g \circ f \left( -\frac{1}{4} \right) = g \left[ f \left( -\frac{1}{4} \right) \right] = g \left( \frac{1}{4} \right) = [1/4] = 0$$