

Functional Equations

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1 Prove that there is a function f from the set of all natural numbers into itself such that $f(f(n)) = n^2$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

2 Find all surjective functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$m|n \iff f(m)|f(n).$$

3 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$f(n+1) > f(f(n)).$$

4 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$f(f(f(n))) + f(f(n)) + f(n) = 3n.$$

5 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$f(f(m) + f(n)) = m + n.$$

6 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$f^{(19)}(n) + 97f(n) = 98n + 232.$$

7 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$f(f(n)) + f(n) = 2n + 2001 \text{ or } 2n + 2002.$$

8 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$f(f(f(n))) + 6f(n) = 3f(f(n)) + 4n + 2001.$$

9 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$:

$$f(f(n)) + f(n) = 2n + 6.$$

10 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$:

$$f(m + f(n)) = f(f(m)) + f(n).$$

11 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ such that for all $m, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$:

$$mf(n) + nf(m) = (m + n)f(m^2 + n^2).$$

12 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$: - $f(2) = 2$, - $f(mn) = f(m)f(n)$, - $f(n + 1) > f(n)$.

13 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ such that for all $m \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$f(f(m)) = m + 1.$$

14 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ such that for all $m \in \mathbb{Z}$: - $f(m + 8) \leq f(m) + 8$, - $f(m + 11) \geq f(m) + 11$.

15 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ such that for all $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$f(m + f(n)) = f(m) - n.$$

16 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ such that for all $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$f(m + f(n)) = f(m) + n.$$

17 Find all functions $h : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ such that for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$h(x + y) + h(xy) = h(x)h(y) + 1.$$

- 18** Find all functions $f : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$:

$$f(xy) = f(x)f(y) - f(x+y) + 1.$$

- 19** Find all functions $f : \mathbb{Q}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}^+$ such that for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$:

$$f\left(x + \frac{y}{x}\right) = f(x) + \frac{f(y)}{f(x)} + 2y, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{Q}^+.$$

- 20** Find all functions $f : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ such that for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$:

$$f(x+y) + f(x-y) = 2(f(x) + f(y)).$$

- 22** Find all functions $f : \mathbb{Q}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}^+$ such that for all $x \in \mathbb{Q}^+$: $f(x+1) = f(x) + 1$, $f(x^2) = f(x)^2$.

- 23** Let \mathbb{Q}^+ be the set of positive rational numbers. Construct a function $f : \mathbb{Q}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}^+$ such that

$$f(xf(y)) = \frac{f(x)}{y}$$

for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}^+$.

- 24** A function f is defined on the positive integers by

$$\begin{cases} f(1) = 1, \\ f(3) = 3, \\ f(2n) = f(n), \\ f(4n+1) = 2f(2n+1) - f(n), \\ f(4n+3) = 3f(2n+1) - 2f(n), \end{cases}$$

for all positive integers n . Determine the number of positive integers n , less than or equal to 1988, for which $f(n) = n$.

- 25** Consider all functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ satisfying $f(t^2 f(s)) = s(f(t))^2$ for all s and t in \mathbb{N} . Determine the least possible value of $f(1998)$.

- 26** The function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ satisfies for all $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$f(m+n) - f(m) - f(n) = 0 \text{ or } 1, \quad f(2) = 0, \quad f(3) > 0, \quad \text{and } f(9999) = 3333.$$

Determine $f(1982)$.

27 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$f(f(m) + f(n)) = m + n.$$

28 Find all surjective functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$f(n) \geq n + (-1)^n.$$

29 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ such that for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$:

$$f\left(\frac{x+y}{3}\right) = \frac{f(x) + f(y)}{2}, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$$

30 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$f(f(f(n))) + f(f(n)) + f(n) = 3n.$$

31 Find all strictly increasing functions $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$f(f(n)) = 3n.$$

32 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{Z}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that for all $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$f(i, j) = \frac{f(i+1, j) + f(i, j+1) + f(i-1, j) + f(i, j-1)}{4}.$$

33 Find all functions $f : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ such that for all $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Q}$:

$$f(x+y+z) + f(x-y) + f(y-z) + f(z-x) = 3f(x) + 3f(y) + 3f(z).$$

34 Show that there exists a bijective function $f : \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ such that for all $m, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$:

$$f(3mn + m + n) = 4f(m)f(n) + f(m) + f(n).$$
