



“IN MATHEMATICS
THE ART OF PROPOSING A QUESTION
MUST BE HELD OF HIGHER VALUE THAN SOLVING IT.”
– Georg Cantor

FUNCTION

1 Classification of function

01. Constant function

$f(x) = k$, k is a constant.

02. Identity function

The function $y = f(x) = x$, $\forall x \in R$
Here domain & Range both R

03. Polynomial function

$y = f(x) = a_0 x^n + a_1 x^{n-1} + \dots + a_n$, n is non negative integer, a_i are real constants. Given $a_0 \neq 0$, n is the degree of polynomial function

There are two polynomial functions, $f(x) = 1 + x^n$ & $f(x) = 1 - x^n$ satisfying the relation: $f(x) \cdot f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = f(x) + f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$ where ' n ' is a positive integer.

4. Rational functions

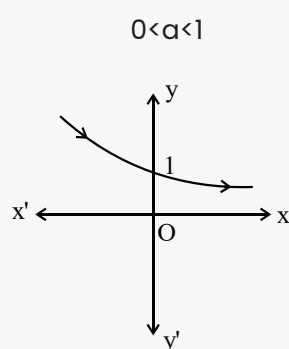
It is defined as the ratio of two polynomials.

$$f(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} \text{ provided } Q(x) \neq 0$$

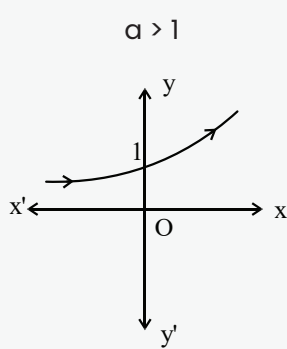
Dom $\{f(x)\}$ is all real numbers except when denominator is zero [i.e., $Q(x) \neq 0$]

2 Exponential function

$$f(x) = a^x, a > 0, a \neq 1.$$

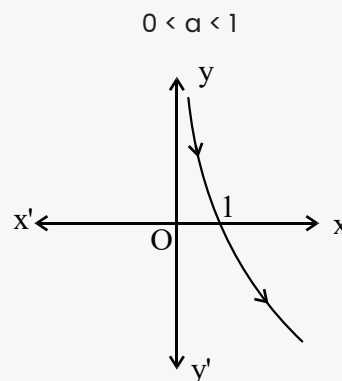


Domain = R , Range = $(0, \infty)$

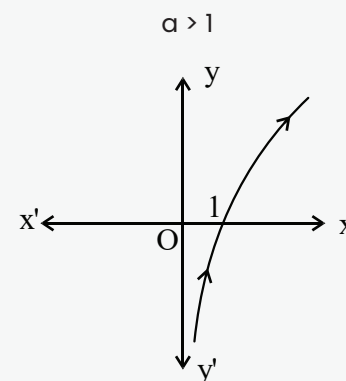


3 Logarithmic function

$$f(x) = \log_a x [a > 0, a \neq 1]$$



Domain = $(0, \infty)$, Range = R



Properties of Log. Functions

1. $\log_a(xy) = \log_a |x| + \log_a |y|$, where $a > 0, a \neq 1$ and $xy > 0$

2. $\log_a x = \frac{1}{\log_x a}$ for $a > 0, a \neq 1$ and $x > 0, x \neq 1$

3. $\log_a \left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log_a |x| - \log_a |y|$, where $a > 0, a \neq 1$ and $\frac{x}{y} > 0$

4. $\log_a (x^n) = n \log_a |x|$, where $a > 0, a \neq 1$ and $x^n > 0$

5. $\log_{a^n} x^m = \frac{m}{n} \log_a |x|$, where $a > 0, a \neq 1$ and $x > 0$

6. $x^{\log_a y} = y^{\log_a x}$ where $x > 0, y > 0, a > 0, a \neq 1$

7. If $a > 1$, then the values of $f(x) = \log_a x$ increase with the increase in x .
i.e. $x < y \Leftrightarrow \log_a x < \log_a y$

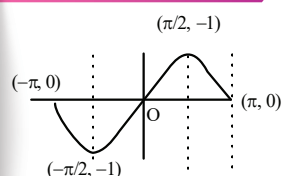
$$\text{Also, } \log_a x = \begin{cases} < 0 & \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \\ = 0 & \text{for } x = 1 \\ > 0 & \text{for } x > 1. \end{cases}$$

8. If $0 < a < 1$, then the values of $f(x) = \log_a x$ decrease with the increase in x .
i.e. $x < y \Leftrightarrow \log_a x > \log_a y$

$$\text{Also, } \log_a x = \begin{cases} > 0 & \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \\ = 0 & \text{for } x = 1 \\ < 0 & \text{for } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

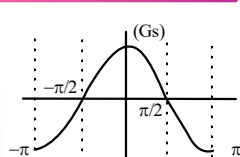
4 Trigonometric Functions

Sine function



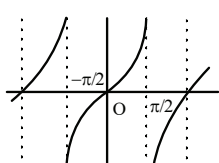
$f(x) = \sin x$
Dom $(f) = R$
Ran $(f) = [-1, 1]$

Cosine function



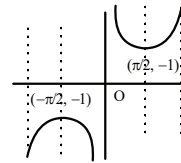
$f(x) = \cos x$
Dom $(f) = R$
Ran $(f) = [-1, 1]$

Tangent function



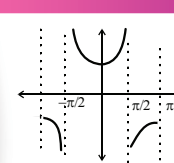
$f(x) = \tan x$
Dom $(f) = R - \left\{ \frac{(2n+1)\pi}{2}, n \in Z \right\}$
Ran $(f) = R$

Cosecant Function



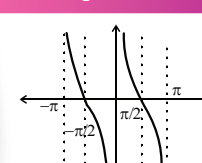
$f(x) = \text{cosec } x$
Dom $(f) = R - \{n\pi, n \in Z\}$
Ran $(f) = R - (-1, 1)$

Secant Function



$f(x) = \sec x$
Dom $(f) = R - \left\{ \frac{(2n+1)\pi}{2}, n \in Z \right\}$
Ran $(f) = R - (-1, 1)$

Cotangent function

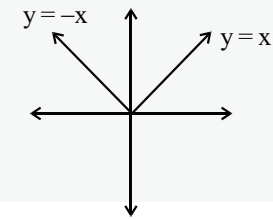


$f(x) = \cot(x)$
Dom $(f) = R - \{n\pi | n \in Z\}$
Ran $(f) = R$



5 Absolute Value Function

$$y = f(x) = |x| = \begin{cases} x, & x \geq 0 \\ -x, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$



1. $|x|^2 = x^2$

2. $\sqrt{x^2} = |x|$

3. $|x| = \max\{-x, x\}$

4. $-|x| = \min\{-x, x\}$

5. $\max(a, b) = \frac{a+b}{2} + \left| \frac{a-b}{2} \right|$

6. $\min(a, b) = \frac{a+b}{2} - \left| \frac{a-b}{2} \right|$

7. $|x+y| \leq |x| + |y|$

8. $|x+y| = |x| + |y|$ if $xy > 0$

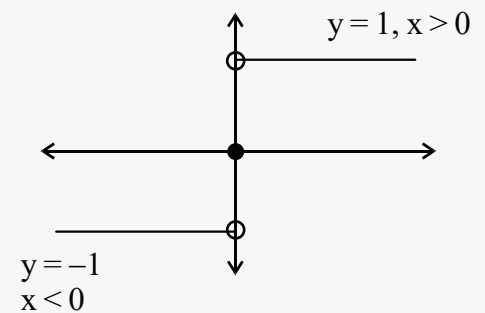
9. $|x-y| = |x| + |y|$ if $xy \leq 0$

10. $|x| \geq a$ (is - ve) $x \in \mathbb{R}$

11. $a \leq |x| \leq b \Rightarrow -b \leq x \leq -a$ or $a \leq x \leq b$. $x \in [-b, -a] \cup [a, b]$.

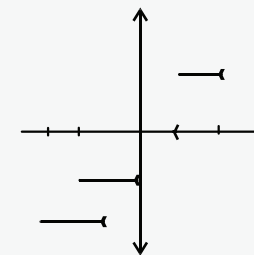
6 Signum Function

$$y = \text{sgn}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{|x|}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \end{cases}$$



7 Greatest Integer Function

$f(x) = [x]$ the integral part of x , which is nearest & smaller integer



1. $[x] \leq x < [x] + 1$

2. $x - 1 < [x] < x$

3. $I \leq x < I + 1 \Rightarrow [x] = I$

4. $[x] - [-x] = \begin{cases} 2x & , x \in \mathbb{I} \\ 2x + 1 & , 2 \notin \mathbb{I} \end{cases}$

5. $[x] + [-x] = \begin{cases} 0, & x \in \mathbb{I} \\ -1, & x \in \mathbb{I}, 2x + 1, \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} 2x, & x \in \mathbb{I} \\ 2x + 1, & x \notin \mathbb{I} \end{cases}$

6. $[x] \leq n \Leftrightarrow x < n + 1, n \in \mathbb{I}$

7. $[x] < n \Leftrightarrow x < n$

8. $[x] = \left[\frac{x}{2} \right] + \left[\frac{x+1}{2} \right]$

9. $\left[\frac{n+1}{2} \right] + \left[\frac{n+2}{4} \right] + \left[\frac{n+4}{8} \right] + \dots = n$

10. $[x] + [y] \leq [x+y] \leq [x] + [y] + 1$

11. $[x] + \left[x + \frac{1}{n} \right] + \left[x + \frac{2}{n} \right] + \dots + \left[x + \frac{n-1}{n} \right] = [nx]$

8 Fractional Part Function

$y = \{x\}$ fractional part of x .
 $y = \{x\} = x - [x]$

1. $\{x\} = x, 0 \leq x < 1$.

2. $\{x\} = 0, x \in \mathbb{I}$

3. $\{-x\} = 1 - \{x\}, x \notin \mathbb{I}$

4. $\{x \pm \text{integer}\} = \{x\}$

9 Odd and Even Function

1. if $f(-x) = -f(x) \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ then f is an odd function, odd functions are symmetrical in opposite quadrants or about origin.

2. If $f(-x) = f(x)$. then even. It is symmetric about y axis.



Properties

1. Product of two odd or two even function is an even function.

3. Every function can be expressed as the sum of an even and odd function, i.e.,

$$f(x) = \frac{f(x) + f(-x)}{2} + \frac{f(x) - f(-x)}{2}$$

2. Product of odd & even function is an odd function.

4. Derivative of an odd function is an even function and of an even is odd.

10 Periodic function

$f(x)$ is periodic if $f(x + T) = f(x) \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, T = \text{period}$

Functions	Period
$\sin^n x, \cos^n x, \sec^n x, \csc^n x$	π (n is even), 2π (n odd/ fraction)
$\tan^n x, \cot^n x$	π
trig function	π
$x - [x]$	1
$f(x) = \text{constant}$	Periodic with no fundamental period.

Properties of Periodic functions

If $f(x)$ is periodic with period T , then

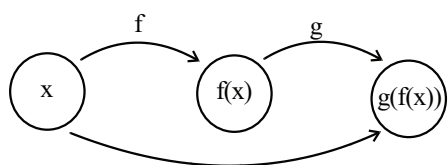
1. $c \cdot f(x)$ is periodic with period T

2. $f(x + c)$ is periodic with period T .

3. $f(x) \pm c$ is periodic with period T .

4. $kf(cx + d)$ has period $\frac{T}{|c|}$ period is only affected by coefficient of x .

11 Composition of Function



- $h(x) = g \circ f(x) = (g \circ f)(x)$.
- $g \circ f \neq f \circ g$.
- Composition of two bijection is a bijection.

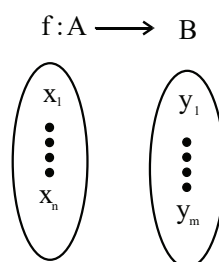
Properties of
Composite
Function

f	g	f ∘ g
even	even	even
odd	odd	odd
even	odd	even
odd	even	odd

12 Kinds of Mapping

- One-one/Injective/Homomorphic:** $f(x) = f(y) \Rightarrow x = y$, then one-one. Graphically, if no line parallel to x-axis meets the graph of function at more than one point.
- Onto/Surjective:** If range = co-domain. Method to show surjectivity: Finding the range of $y = f(x)$ & Showing range of $f = c$ co-domain of f
- Many-one mapping:** If two or more element in domain have same image in co-domain.
- Into Function:** There's an element in B not having a pre image in A under f . [$f: A \rightarrow B$].

13 Number of functions



Total no of functions = m^n

Number of One to one functions = $\begin{cases} {}^m P_n, & m \geq n \\ 0, & m < n \end{cases}$

No. of many one functions = $\begin{cases} m^n - {}^m P_n, & m \geq n \\ m^n, & m < n \end{cases}$

No. of constant function = m

No. of onto function = $\begin{cases} \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r {}^m C_r (m-r)^n, & n \geq m \\ m^n, & n < m \end{cases}$

No. of one-to-one onto functions = $n!$, if $m = n$

14 Inverse of a function

$g: B \rightarrow A, f(x) = y \Leftrightarrow g(y) = x \forall x \in A \text{ and } y \in B$.

Then g is inverse of f

1. Inverse of a bijection is unique.

2. If $f: A \rightarrow B$ is a bijection $g: B \rightarrow A$ is the inverse of f , then $f \circ g = I_B$
 $g \circ f = I_A$, where I_A & I_B are identity function

3. The inverse of a bijection is also a bijection
 $(g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$.

15 Hyperbolic functions

$$\sinh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2}$$

$$\cosh x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}$$

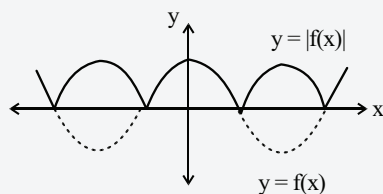
$$\tanh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$$

$$\coth x = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{e^x - e^{-x}}$$

16 Elementary transformation of graphs

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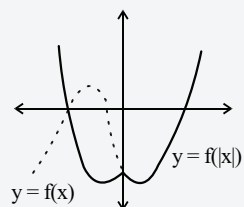
Drawing the graph of $y = |f(x)|$ from the



$$|f(x)| = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } f(x) \geq 0 \\ -f(x) & \text{if } f(x) < 0. \end{cases}$$

02

Drawing graph of $y = f(|x|)$ from the known graph of $y = f(x)$.

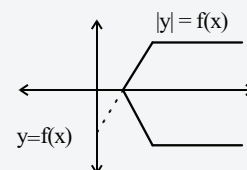


$$f(|x|) = \begin{cases} f(x), & x \geq 0 \\ f(-x), & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Neglect the curve for $x < 0$ & take the images of curve for $x \geq 0$ about y axis.

03

Drawing graph of $|y| = f(x)$ from the known graph of $y = f(x)$.



Remove portion that lies below x axis. Plot the remaining portion of the graph & also its mirror image in x -axis.

17 Things to remember

Range of $a \cos x + b \sin x$ is $[-\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}, \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}]$

Range of $f(x) = \sqrt{a-x} + \sqrt{x-b}$ if $a > b > 0$ is $\sqrt{a-b} + \sqrt{2(a-b)}$

Range of $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + \frac{1}{\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)}$ is $(-\infty, -2.5] \cup [2.5, \infty)$

$-\sin 1 < \sin(\cos x) < \sin 1$

$\cos 1 < \cos(\sin x) < 1$

18 Functional Equation

1) $f(x+y) = f(x)f(y)$, then $f(x) = a^x$

2) $f(xy) = f(x) + f(y)$, then $f(x) = \log_a x$

3) $f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) = \frac{f(x) + f(y)}{2}$, then $f(x) = mx + c$

4) $f(x)f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 1$, then $f(x) = \pm x^n$