



Exercise 2.1



Q1: Given that (a) $f(x) = x^2 - 1$ (b) $f(x) = \sqrt{2x+3}$

(i) To find $f(-3)$

Sol: Put $x = -3$ into the function
 $\Rightarrow f(-3) = (-3)^2 - 1 = 9 - 1 = 8$

(ii) To find $f(0)$

Sol: Put $x = 0$ into the function
 $\Rightarrow f(0) = (0)^2 - 1 = 0 - 1 = -1$

(iii) To find $f(x-2)$

Sol: Replacing x by $x-2$ into the function
 $\Rightarrow f(x-2) = (x-2)^2 - 1 = x^2 - 4x + 4 - 1 = x^2 - 4x + 3$

(iv) To find $f(x^2+3)$

Sol: Replace x by x^2+3 into the function
 $\Rightarrow f(x^2+3) = (x^2+3)^2 - 1 = x^4 + 6x^2 + 9 - 1 = x^4 + 6x^2 + 8$

(b) Given that $f(x) = \sqrt{2x+3}$

(i) To find $f(-3)$

Sol: Put $x = -3$ into the function
 $\Rightarrow f(-3) = \sqrt{2(-3)+3} = \sqrt{-6+3} = \sqrt{-3} = \pm\sqrt{3}i$

(ii) To find $f(0)$

Sol: Put $x = 0$ into the function
 $\Rightarrow f(0) = \sqrt{2(0)+3} = \sqrt{0+3} = \sqrt{3}$

(iii) To find $f(x-2)$

Sol: Put replacing $f(x-2)$ into the function
 $\Rightarrow f(x-2) = \sqrt{2(x-2)+3} = \sqrt{2x-4+3} = \sqrt{2x-1}$

(iv) To find $f(x^2+3)$

Sol: Put $f(x^2+3)$ into the function
 $\Rightarrow f(x^2+3) = \sqrt{2(x^2+3)+3} = \sqrt{2x^2+6+3} = \sqrt{2x^2+9}$

Q2: Find $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$ and simplify where,

(i) $f(x) = 4x + 7$

Sol: Here we have to find $f(a)$ and $f(a+h)$.

As; $f(a) = 4a + 7$ and $f(a+h) = 4(a+h) + 7$.

$$f(a+h) = 4a + 4h + 7.$$

$$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{4a + 4h + 7 - 4a - 7}{h} = \frac{4h}{h} = 4$$



(ii) $f(x) = \sin x$, Calculating $f(a)$ and $f(a+h)$.

Sol: As; $f(a) = \sin a$ and $f(a+h) = \sin(a+h)$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{\sin(a+h) - \sin a}{h} \quad \therefore \sin P - \sin Q = 2 \cos \frac{P+Q}{2} \cdot \sin \frac{P-Q}{2}$$
$$= \frac{2 \cos \frac{a+h+a}{2} \cdot \sin \frac{a+h-a}{2}}{h} = \frac{2 \cos \left(\frac{2a+h}{2} \right) \cdot \sin \left(\frac{h}{2} \right)}{h} = \frac{2 \cos \left(a + \frac{h}{2} \right) \cdot \sin \left(\frac{h}{2} \right)}{h}$$

(iii) $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 1$, Finding $f(a)$ and $f(a+h)$

Sol: As; $f(a) = a^3 + a^2 - 1$

$$f(a+h) = (a+h)^3 + (a+h)^2 - 1 = a^3 + h^3 + 3a^2h + 3ah^2 + a^2 + 2ah + h^2 - 1$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{a^3 + h^3 + 3a^2h + 3ah^2 + a^2 + 2ah + h^2 - 1 - a^3 - a^2 + 1}{h} = \frac{h(h^2 + 3a^2 + 3ah + 2a + h)}{h}$$
$$= 3a^2 + 2a + 3ah + h + h^2$$

(iv) $f(x) = \tan x$, Calculating $f(a)$ and $f(a+h)$.

Sol: As; $f(a) = \tan a$ and $f(a+h) = \tan(a+h)$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = \frac{\tan(a+h) - \tan a}{h}$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{\sin(a+h)}{\cos(a+h)} - \frac{\sin a}{\cos a} \right) = \frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{\sin(a+h)\cos a - \cos(a+h)\sin a}{\cos(a+h)\cos a} \right) \quad \therefore \sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta = \sin(\alpha - \beta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{\sin(a+h-a)}{\cos(a+h)\cos a} \right) = \frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{\sin h}{\cos(a+h)\cos a} \right) = \frac{\sin h}{h \cos(a+h)\cos a}$$

Q3: Express the following:

a) The area A of a square as a function of its perimeter P .

b) The circumference C of a circle as a function of its area A .

c) The surface area S of a cube as a function of its volume V .

(a) Let x be the side of square.

Sol: Then area A will be: $A = x^2 \rightarrow$ (i)

The perimeter (boundary wall distance) of square is given as:

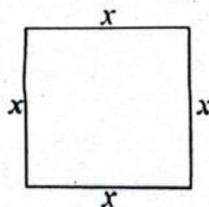
$$P = 4x \rightarrow \text{ (ii)}$$

From equation (ii)

$$x = \frac{P}{4} \rightarrow \text{ (iii)}$$

Putting in equation (i)

$$A = \left(\frac{P}{4} \right)^2 \Rightarrow A = \frac{P^2}{16}$$



(b) Let r be the radius of circle.

Sol: The circumference C (Perimeter of circle) is given as $C = 2\pi r \rightarrow$ (i)

The area of circle is given as:

$$A = \pi r^2 \rightarrow \text{ (ii)}$$

From equation (ii)

$$r^2 = \frac{A}{\pi} \Rightarrow r = \sqrt{\frac{A}{\pi}} \rightarrow \text{ (iii)}$$

Putting in equation (iii) in equation (i)

$$C = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{A}{\pi}} = 2\sqrt{\pi A}$$

(c) Let the length of the side of the cube is l .

Sol: Surface area of the cube is given as:

$$S = 6(l \times l) = 6l^2 \rightarrow \text{ (i)}$$

The volume of the cube is given as:

$$V = l^3 \rightarrow \text{ (ii)}$$

Note:

Cube is a diagram whose length, width, height are equal.

from equation (ii)

$$l = (V)^{\frac{1}{3}} \rightarrow \text{(iii)}$$

Putting in equation (i)

$$S = 6 \left(V^{\frac{1}{3}} \right)^2 = 6V^{\frac{2}{3}} = 6\sqrt[3]{V^2}$$

Q4: Find the domain and the range of the function g defined below:

(i) $g(x) = 5 - x$

Sol: The function is real valued so, its domain and range are:

Domain of $g(x) = \mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$ (Set of all real numbers)

Range of $g(x) = \mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$ (Set of all real numbers)

(ii) $g(x) = \sqrt{x+2}$

Sol: The given function is radical function in which radicand must be positive.

For domain, using the condition as: $x+2 \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow x \geq -2 \text{ or } x \in [-2, \infty)$$

Domain of $g(x) = [-2, \infty)$

For range, $\sqrt{x+2} \geq 0$ as $x+2 \geq 0$

Range of $g(x) = [0, \infty)$

(iii) $g(x) = \begin{cases} 6x+7, & x \leq -2 \\ 4-3x, & x > -2 \end{cases}$

Sol: It is a piecewise function and working for two conditions.

When input is $x \leq -2$ or $x \in (-\infty, -2]$

Then $g(x) = 6x+7$ is working in this case output of the functions are:

$$g(-2) = 6(-2) + 7 = -12 + 7 = -5$$

$$g(-3) = 6(-3) + 7 = -18 + 7 = -11$$

Order in output values on real line is less than so, the range for this piece is $(-\infty, -5]$.

When input is $x > -2$ or $x \in (-2, \infty)$

Then $g(x) = 4-3x$ is working in this case output of the functions are: $g(-2) = 4-3(-2) = 4+6 = 10$

$$g(-1) = 4-3(-1) = 4+3 = 7$$

Order in output values on real line is less than so, the range for this piece is $(-\infty, 10)$.

Domain of $g(x) = (-\infty, -2] \cup (-2, \infty) = (-\infty, \infty) = \mathbb{R}$

Range of $g(x) = (-\infty, -5] \cup (-\infty, 10)$

Range of $g(x) = (-\infty, 10)$

(iv) $g(x) = |x-5|$,

Sol: It is an absolute value function (Whose Range must be the positive real number)

For domain $|x-5| \geq 0 \Rightarrow \pm(x-5) \geq 0$

$$x-5 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \geq 5$$

$$x-5 \leq 0 \Rightarrow x \leq 5$$

Domain of $g(x) = (-\infty, 5] \cup (5, \infty) = (-\infty, \infty) = \mathbb{R}$

Range of $g(x) = (0, \infty)$ = set of all positive real numbers

(v) $g(x) = \frac{x+2}{3-x}$

Sol: $g(x) = \frac{x+2}{3-x}$

Domain of $g(x) = \mathbb{R} - \{3\} = (-\infty, 3) \cup (3, \infty)$

Range of $g(x) = \mathbb{R} - \{-1\} = (-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, \infty)$

Q5: Given $f(x) = x^3 - ax^2 + bx + 1$. If

$f(2) = -3$ and $f(-1) = 0$ Find the values of a & b

Sol: Given function is $f(x) = x^3 - ax^2 + bx + 1 \rightarrow$ (i)

Given $f(2) = -3$

$$\Rightarrow f(2) = (2)^3 - a(2)^2 + b(2) + 1 = -3$$

$$= 8 - 4a + 2b + 1 = -3$$

$$= 9 - 4a + 2b = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a - 2b = 12 \text{ or } 2a - b = 6 \rightarrow \text{(ii)}$$

Also given $f(-1) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow f(-1) = (-1)^3 - a(-1)^2 + b(-1) + 1 = 0$$

$$= -1 - a - b + 1 = 0$$

$$= -a - b = 0 \Rightarrow a + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -b \rightarrow \text{(iii)}$$

Putting equation (iii) into equation (ii)

$$2(-b) - b = 6 \Rightarrow -2b - b = 6$$

$$-3b = 6 \Rightarrow b = -2$$

From equation (iii)

$$a = -(-2) \Rightarrow a = 2$$

Q6: A stone falls from a height of 60m on the ground, the height h after x seconds is

approximately given by $h(x) = 40 - 10x^2$.

i. What is the height of the stone when:

a. $x = 1$ sec?

b. $x = 1.5$ sec?

c. $x = 1.7$ sec?

ii. When does stone strike the ground?

Sol: The height h after x sec. is given as:

$$h(x) = 40 - 10x^2 \longrightarrow (i)$$

\therefore (Height is the function of time)

(i) When $x = 1$ sec

$$\text{Then } h(1) = 40 - 10(1)^2 = 40 - 10 = 30m$$

(b) When $x = 1.5$ sec

Then

$$h(1.5) = 40 - 10(1.5)^2 = 40 - 10(2.25) \\ = 40 - 22.5 = 17.5m$$

(c) When $x = 1.7$ sec

$$\text{Then } h(1.7) = 40 - 10(1.7)^2 = 40 - 10(2.89) \\ = 40 - 28.9 = 11.1m$$

(ii) When stone strikes the ground its height is zero.

Then

$$h(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 40 - 10x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow 10x^2 = 40 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 = 4 \Rightarrow x = 2 \text{ sec}$$

Q7: Consider the function $f(x) = 3x - 5$.

i. Determine the domain and range of $f(x)$.

ii. Is the function f one-to-one? Justify your answer.

iii. Is the function f onto if the co-domain is all real numbers? Explain.

Sol: Given function $f(x) = 3x - 5 \longrightarrow$ (i) linear algebraic function.

(i) For domain it is clear that any of the real number can be put into their function

$$\text{Domain of } f(x) = \mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$\text{Range of } f(x) = \mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$$

(ii) The function $f(x) = 3x - 5 \longrightarrow$ (i)

Will be one-to-one if there is unique output for each and every input.

$$\text{When } f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 \\ \Rightarrow 3x_1 - 5 = 3x_2 - 5 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

So, $f(x)$ is one-to-one function for $x \in \mathbb{R}$

(iii) The function $f(x) = 3x - 5 \longrightarrow$ (i) will be onto if

$$f(x) = y \longrightarrow (ii) y = 3x - 5 \longrightarrow (iii)$$

$$\text{From (iii) } 3x - 5 = y$$

$$\text{Or } 3x = y + 5$$

$$\text{Or } x = \frac{y+5}{3} \longrightarrow (iv)$$

Putting into the function

$$f\left(\frac{y+5}{3}\right) = 3\left(\frac{y+5}{3}\right) - 5$$

$$f\left(\frac{y+5}{3}\right) = y + 5 - 5$$

$$f\left(\frac{y+5}{3}\right) = y = f(x)$$

$\Rightarrow f(x)$ is a function and $f^{-1}(x)$ is also a function

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

So, $f(x)$ is onto function $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

Q8: Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $f(x) = \frac{2x-3}{x+1}$

i. Find the domain and range of $f(x)$.

ii. Determine whether $f(x)$ is onto.

iii. Prove that $f(x)$ is one-to-one.

Sol:

(i) As $f(x) = \frac{2x-3}{x+1} \longrightarrow$ (i) be the rational function defined by $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Which shows $f(x)$ is real valued function.

$$f(x) = \frac{2x-3}{x+1} \text{ can exist if } x \neq -1$$

$$\text{Domain of } f(x) = \mathbb{R} - \{-1\} = (-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, \infty) \\ (\text{all real number except } -1)$$

For range: To obtain $f(x) = 0$ (as output)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x-3}{x+1} = 0 \Rightarrow 2x-3=0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{2} \in Df$$

To obtain $f(x) = 1$, as output, taking

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x-3}{x+1} = 1 \Rightarrow 2x-3 = x+1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x-x = 4 \text{ or } x = 4 \in Df$$

As in domain -1 is central value between 0 and 1

Similarly, in Range 2 is central value between $\frac{2}{3}$

and 4 .

Hence when in domain -1 is not possible then in range 2 is not possible

Range of $f(x) = \mathbb{R} - \{2\} =$ all real numbers except 2

(ii) The given function $f(x) = \frac{2x-3}{x+1} \rightarrow$ (i)

Will be onto if $f(x) = y \rightarrow$ (ii)

Where $y = \frac{2x-3}{x+1} \rightarrow$ (iii)

From (iii) $xy + y = 2x - 3$
 $2x - xy = y + 3$

or $x(2-y) = y+3$

or $x = \frac{y+3}{2-y} \rightarrow$ (iv)

Putting in equation (i)

$$f(x) = \frac{2\left(\frac{y+3}{2-y}\right) - 3}{\frac{y+3}{2-y} + 1} = \frac{\frac{2y+6-\beta+3y}{2-y}}{\frac{y+3+2-y}{2-y}} = \frac{\beta y}{\beta} = y$$

Justified that $f(x)$ is onto function (when $y = f(x)$ and $f(f^{-1}(x)) = f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$)

(iii) The given function $f(x) = \frac{2x-3}{x+1} \rightarrow$ (i) is called one-to-one if it assigns a unique value for each and every input.

When $f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 \rightarrow$ (ii)

So, $f(x_1) = \frac{2x_1-3}{x_1+1}$, $f(x_2) = \frac{2x_2-3}{x_2+1}$

Using the condition $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$

$$\frac{2x_1-3}{x_1+1} = \frac{2x_2-3}{x_2+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x_1-3)(x_2+1) = (x_1+1)(2x_2-3)$$

$$\cancel{2x_1x_2} + 2x_1 - 3x_2 - \beta = \cancel{2x_1x_2} - 3x_1 + 2x_2 - \beta$$

$$2x_1 + 3x_1 = 2x_2 + 3x_2$$

$$5x_1 = 5x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

Prove that $f(x)$ is one-to-one function

Q9: Consider the function $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ defined by $f(x) = e^{-x}$. Show that $f(x)$ is a bijective

Sol: This function will be bijective if it is one-to-one and onto.

When $f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$

Then $e^{-x_1} = e^{-x_2}$

$$-x_1 = -x_2 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

This shows that $f(x) = e^{-x} \rightarrow$ (i) is one-to-one

$f(x) = y \rightarrow$ (ii) when $y = e^{-x} \rightarrow$ (iii)

From (iii) $\ln y = -x$ or $x = -\ln y$

$$f(x) = f(-\ln y) = e^{-(-\ln y)} = e^{\ln y} = y$$

$f(x) = y$. This shows that $f(x) = e^{-x}$ is onto function.

So, $f(x) = e^{-x}$ is bijective functions

Q10: Let $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by $f(x) = x^3 - 3x$.

Determine if $g(x)$ is injective and/ or surjective.

Sol: $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ where $x_1 = x_2$

$$\Rightarrow (x_1)^3 - 3(x_1) = x_2^3 - 3x_2$$

$$x_1^3 - x_2^3 = 3x_1 - 3x_2$$

$$(x_1 - x_2)(x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_2^2) = 3(x_1 - x_2)$$

$$x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_2^2 = 3 \Rightarrow x_1 \neq x_2$$

For example, $f(1) = (1)^3 - 3(1) = -2$

When $x_1 = 1$, then $y = f(1) = -2$

When $x_2 = -2$, then $y = f(-2) = -2$

As $x_1 \neq x_2$, while $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$

$f(x)$ is not injective function.

When $y = g(x)$

Then $y = x^3 - 3x$

As x cannot be expressed in term of $y \Rightarrow g(x)$

cannot be onto function $\Rightarrow (f^{-1}(y))$ does not

exist). So $g(x)$ is surjective.