

Chapter 1
Relations and Functions
Exercise 1.2

Q. 1

Show that the function $f: \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$ defined by $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ is one-one and onto, where \mathbb{R}^* is the set of all non-zero real numbers. Is the result true, if the domain \mathbb{R}^* is replaced by \mathbb{N} with co-domain being same as \mathbb{R}^* ?

Answer:

It is given that $f: \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$ defined by $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$

check for one-one:

For a function to be one-one, if $f(x) = f(y)$ then $x = y$. $f(x) = f(y)$

$$= \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{y}$$

\Rightarrow Therefore, f is one – one.

We can see that $y \in \mathbb{R}$, there exists $x = \frac{1}{y} \in \mathbb{R}$, such that

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

$\Rightarrow f$ is onto.

Therefore, function f is one-one and onto.

Now, let us consider $g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$ defined by

$$= g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

Then, we get

$$\frac{1}{x_1} = \frac{1}{x_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

$\Rightarrow g$ is one-one.

It can be observed that g is not onto as for $1.2 \in \mathbb{R}$ there does not exist any x in \mathbb{N} such that

$$= g(x) = \frac{1}{1..2}$$

Therefore, function g is one-one but not onto.

Q. 2 A

Check the injectivity and surjectivity of the following functions:

$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ given by $f(x) = x^2$

Answer:

It is given that $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ given by $f(x) = x^2$

We can see that for $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$f(x) = f(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is injective.

Now, let $2 \in \mathbb{N}$. But, we can see that there does not exist any x in \mathbb{N} such that

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

$\Rightarrow f$ is not surjective.

Therefore, function f is injective but not surjective

Q. 2 B

Check the injectivity and surjectivity of the following functions:

$f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ given by $f(x) = x^2$

Answer:

It is given that $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ given by $f(x) = x^2$

We can see that $f(-1) = f(1) = 1$, but $-1 \neq 1$

$\Rightarrow f$ is not injective.

Now, let $-2 \in \mathbb{Z}$. But, we can see that there does not exist any x in \mathbb{Z} such that

$$f(x) = x^2 = -2$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is not surjective.

Therefore, function f is neither injective nor surjective.

Q. 2 C

Check the injectivity and surjectivity of the following functions:

$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = x^2$

Answer:

It is given that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = x^2$

We can see that $f(-1) = f(1) = 1$, but $-1 \neq 1$

$\Rightarrow f$ is not injective.

Now, let $-2 \in \mathbb{R}$. But, we can see that there does not exist any x in \mathbb{R} such that

$$f(x) = x^2 = -2$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is not surjective.

Therefore, function f is neither injective nor surjective.

Q. 2 D

Check the injectivity and surjectivity of the following functions:

$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ given by $f(x) = x^3$

Answer:

It is given that $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ given by $f(x) = x^3$

We can see that for $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$f(x) = f(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 = y^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is injective.

Now, let $2 \in \mathbb{N}$. But, we can see that there does not exist any x in \mathbb{N} such that

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

$\Rightarrow f$ is not surjective.

Therefore, function f is injective but not surjective.

Q. 2 E

Check the injectivity and surjectivity of the following functions:

$f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ given by $f(x) = x^3$

Answer:

It is given that $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ given by $f(x) = x^3$

We can see that for $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$f(x) = f(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 = y^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is injective.

Now, let $2 \in \mathbb{Z}$. But, we can see that there does not exist any x in \mathbb{Z} such that

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

$\Rightarrow f$ is not surjective.

Therefore, function f is injective but not surjective.

Q. 3

Prove that the Greatest Integer Function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, given by $f(x) = [x]$, is neither one-one nor onto, where $[x]$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to x .

Answer:

It is given $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, given by $f(x) = [x]$

We can see that $f(1.2) = [1.2] = 1$

$$f(1.9) = [1.9] = 1$$

$\Rightarrow f(1.2) = f(1.9)$, but $1.2 \neq 1.9$.

$\Rightarrow f$ is not one-one.

Now, let us consider $0.6 \in \mathbb{R}$.

We know that $f(x) = [x]$ is always an integer.

\Rightarrow there does not exist any element $x \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(x) = 0.6$

$\Rightarrow f$ is not onto.

Therefore, the greatest integer function is neither one-one nor onto.

Q. 4

Show that the Modulus Function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, given by $f(x) = |x|$, is neither one-one nor onto, where $|x|$ is x , if x is positive or 0 and $|x|$ is $-x$, if x is negative.

Answer:

It is given that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, given by $f(x) = |x|$

We can see that $f(-1) = |-1| = 1$, $f(1) = |1| = 1$

$\Rightarrow f(-1) = f(1)$, but $-1 \neq 1$.

$\Rightarrow f$ is not one-one.

Now, we consider $-1 \in \mathbb{R}$.

We know that $f(x) = |x|$ is always positive

Therefore, there doesn't exist any element x in domain \mathbb{R} such that $f(x) = |x| = -1$

$\Rightarrow f$ is not onto.

Therefore, modulus function is neither one-one nor onto.

Q. 5

Show that the Signum Function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, given by

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

is neither one-one nor onto.

Answer:

It is given that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, given by

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

We can have observed that $f(1) = f(2) = 0$ but $1 \neq 2$.

Thus, f is not one – one.

Now, as $f(x)$ takes only 3 values (1, 0, -1) for the element -2 in co-domain R , there exists any x in domain R such that $f(x) = -2$

Thus, f is not onto.

Therefore, the Signum function is neither one-one nor onto.

Q. 6

Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{4, 5, 6, 7\}$ and let $f = \{(1, 4), (2, 5), (3, 6)\}$ be a function from A to B . Show that f is one-one.

Answer:

It is given that $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{4, 5, 6, 7\}$

$f: A \rightarrow B$ is defined as $f = \{(1, 4), (2, 5), (3, 6)\}$

Therefore, $f(1) = 4$, $f(2) = 5$, $f(3) = 6$ We can see that the images of distinct elements of A under f are distinct.

Therefore, function f is one- one.

Q. 7 A

In each of the following cases, state whether the function is one-one, onto or bijective. Justify your answer.

$f: R \rightarrow R$ defined by $f(x) = 3 - 4x$

Answer:

It is given that $f: R \rightarrow R$ defined by $f(x) = 3 - 4x$

Let $x_1, x_2 \in R$ such that $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$

$$\Rightarrow 3 - 4x_1 = 3 - 4x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow -4x_1 = -4x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is one- one

For any real number (y) in R, there exist $\frac{3-y}{4}$ in R such that

$$f\left(\frac{3-y}{4}\right) = 3 - 4\left(\frac{3-y}{4}\right)$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is onto.

Therefore, function f is bijective.

Q. 7 B

In each of the following cases, state whether the function is one-one, onto or bijective. Justify your answer.

$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = 1 + x^2$

Answer:

It is given that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = 1 + x^2$

Let $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$

$$= 1 + x_1^2 = 1 + x_2^2$$

$$= x_1^2 = x_2^2$$

$$= x_1 = \pm x_2$$

Now, $f(1) = f(-1) = 2$

$\Rightarrow f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ which does means that $x_1 = x_2$

$\Rightarrow f$ is not one – one

Now consider an element -2 in co- domain R.

We can see that $f(x) = 1 + x^2$ is always positive.

\Rightarrow there does not exist any x in domain R such that $f(x) = -2$

$\Rightarrow F$ is not onto.

Therefore, function f is neither one-one nor onto.

Q. 8 Let A and B be sets. Show that $f: A \times B \rightarrow B \times A$ such that $f(a, b) = (b, a)$ is bijective function.

Answer:

It is given that $f: A \times B \rightarrow B \times A$ is defined as $f(a, b) = (b, a)$

Now let us consider $(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2) \in A \times B$

Such that $f(a_1, b_1) = f(a_2, b_2)$

$$\Rightarrow (b_1, a_1) = (b_2, a_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow b_1 = b_2 \text{ and } a_1 = a_2$$

$$\Rightarrow (a_1, b_1) = (a_2, b_2)$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is one-one.

Now, let $(b, a) \in B \times A$ be any element.

Then, there exists $(a, b) \in A \times B$ such that $f(a, b) = (b, a)$

$\Rightarrow f$ is onto.

Therefore, f is bijective.

Q. 9

Let $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be defined by

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{n+1}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{n}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

State whether the function f is bijective. Justify your answer.

Answer:

It is given that

$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be defined by

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{n+1}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{n}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

We can have observed that:

$$f(1) = \frac{1+1}{2} = 1 \text{ and } f(2) = \frac{2}{2} = 1 \text{ (by using the definition of } f)$$

Thus, $f(1) = f(2)$, where $1 \neq 2$.

Therefore, f is not one-one.

Now, let us consider a natural number (n) in co domain \mathbb{N} .

Case I: When n is odd.

Then, $n = 2r + 1$ for some $r \in \mathbb{N}$.

$$\Rightarrow \text{there exist } 4r + 1 \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } f(4r+1) = \frac{4r+1+1}{2} = 2r + 1$$

Case II: When n is even.

Then, $n = 2r$ for some $r \in \mathbb{N}$.

$$\Rightarrow \text{there exist } 4r \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } f(4r) = \frac{4r}{2} = 2r$$

Therefore, f is onto.

\Rightarrow Function f is not one-one but it is onto.

Thus, Function f is not bijective function.

Q. 10

Let $A = \mathbb{R} - \{3\}$ and $B = \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$. Consider the function $f: A \rightarrow B$ defined by $f(x) = \left(\frac{x-2}{x-3}\right)$. Is f one-one and onto? Justify your answer.

Answer:

It is given that $A = \mathbb{R} - \{3\}$ and $B = \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$

$f: A \rightarrow B$ defined by

$$f(x) = \left(\frac{x-2}{x-3}\right)$$

Now, let $x, y \in A$ such that $f(x) = f(y)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-2}{x-3} = \frac{y-2}{y-3}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow xy - 3x - 2y + 6 = xy - 3y - 2x + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow -3x - 2y = -3y - 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is one-one.

Let $y \in B = \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$

Then, $y \neq 1$.

The function f is onto if there exist $x \in A$ such that $f(x) = y$

Now, $f(x) = y$

$$\frac{x-2}{x-3} = y$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 2 = xy - 3y$$

$$\Rightarrow x(1-y) = -3y + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2-3y}{1-y} \in A$$

$\Rightarrow y \in B$, there exists $\frac{2-3y}{1-y} \in A$ such that

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{2-3y}{1-y}\right) = \frac{\left(\frac{2-3y}{1-y}\right)}{\left(\frac{2-3y}{1-y}\right)} = \frac{2-3y-3+2y}{2-3y-3+3y} = \frac{-y}{-1}$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is onto.

Therefore, function f is one- one and onto.

Q. 11

Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined as $f(x) = x^4$. Choose the correct answer.

A. f is one-one onto

B. f is many-one onto

C. f is one-one but not onto

D. f is neither one-one nor onto.

Answer:

$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined as $f(x) = x^4$.

Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(x) = f(y)$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 = y^4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y$$

Therefore, $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ which does not implies $x_1 = x_2$.

For instance, $f(1) = f(-1) = 1$

Therefore, f is not one-one.

Now, an element 2 in co-domain \mathbb{R} .

We can see that there does not exist any x in domain \mathbb{R} such that

$$f(x) = 2$$

Therefore, f is not onto.

Therefore, function f is neither one-one nor onto.

Q. 12

Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined as $f(x) = 3x$. Choose the correct answer.

- A. f is one-one onto
- B. f is many-one onto
- C. f is one-one but not onto
- D. f is neither one-one nor onto.

Answer:

It is given that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined as $f(x) = 3x$.

Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(x) = f(y)$.

$$\Rightarrow 3x = 3y$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is one-one.

Also, for any real number (y) in co-domain \mathbb{R} , there exists $\frac{y}{3}$ in \mathbb{R} such that

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

Therefore, f is onto.

Therefore, function f is one-one and onto.