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## Relations and Functions

### Solution 1

$$f(x) = \frac{|x-1|}{(x-1)}$$

This function  $f(x)$  is not defined at  $x = 1$ .

For  $x \geq 1$ ,  $|x-1| = x-1$

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

For  $x < 1$ ,  $|x-1| = -(x-1) = 1-x$

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

Thus, the range of the function is  $-1$  or  $1$  at all points excluding  $x = 1$ .

### Solution 2

Given that  $*$  is a binary operation on  $Q$  defined by  $a*b = \frac{3ab}{5}$ , where  $a, b \in Q$

$$\text{Now, } b*a = \frac{3ba}{5}$$

$$\text{As } ab = ba, \frac{3ab}{5} = \frac{3ba}{5}$$

$$\therefore a*b = b*a$$

Thus, the binary operation  $*$  is commutative.

Let  $a, b, c \in Q$

$$a*(b*c) = a*\frac{3bc}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow a*(b*c) = \frac{3 \times a \times \frac{3bc}{5}}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow a*(b*c) = \frac{9abc}{25} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$(a*b)*c = \frac{3ab}{5} * c$$

$$\Rightarrow (a*b)*c = \frac{3 \times \frac{3ab}{5} \times c}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a*b)*c = \frac{9abc}{25} \quad \dots(2)$$

From equations (1) and (2):

$$a*(b*c) = (a*b)*c$$

Thus, the binary operation  $*$  is associative.

For a binary operation  $*$ :  $A \times A \rightarrow A$ , if an element  $e \in A$  such that  $a * e = e * a = a$  & For  $a \in A$ , then  $e$  is called the identity element.

$$\text{Now, } a * \frac{5}{3} = \frac{3a \times \frac{5}{3}}{5} = a$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{5}{3} * a = \frac{3 \times \frac{5}{3} \times a}{5} = a$$

$$\text{Now, } a * \frac{5}{3} = \frac{5}{3} * a = a \text{ and } \frac{5}{3} \in Q.$$

Thus,  $\frac{5}{3}$  is the identity element for the binary operation  $*$ .

### Solution 3

It is known that a relation  $R$  in a set  $A$  is transitive if  $(a_1, a_2) \in R$  and  $(a_2, a_3) \in R \Rightarrow (a_1, a_3) \in R$ ;  $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A$ .

It can be observed that  $(1, 2), (2, 1) \in R$ , but  $(1, 1) \notin R$ .

Thus, the relation  $R$  in the set  $\{1, 2, 3\}$  is not transitive.

**Solution 4**

The binary operation  $*$  on the set  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  is defined by  $a * b = \min \{a, b\}$

$$1 * 1 = \min \{1, 1\} = 1$$

$$1 * 2 = \min \{1, 2\} = 1$$

$$2 * 3 = \min \{2, 3\} = 2$$

$$4 * 5 = \min \{4, 5\} = 4$$

The operation table for the given operation  $*$  on the given set can be written as:

*	1	2	3	4	5
1	1	1	1	1	1
2	1	2	2	2	2
3	1	2	3	3	3
4	1	2	3	4	4
5	1	2	3	4	5

**Solution 5**

The given function is  $f(x) = \frac{4x+3}{6x-4}$ .

$$\text{Let } f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow \frac{4x_1+3}{6x_1-4} = \frac{4x_2+3}{6x_2-4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 24x_1x_2 - 16x_1 + 18x_2 - 12 = 24x_1x_2 + 18x_1 - 16x_2 - 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 18x_2 + 16x_2 = 18x_1 + 16x_1$$

$$\Rightarrow 34x_2 = 34x_1 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

Therefore  $f(x)$  is one - one.

Since,  $\frac{4x+3}{6x-4}$  is a real number, therefore, for every  $y$  in the co-domain  $(f)$ , there exists a number  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R} - \left\{\frac{2}{3}\right\}$  such

$$\text{that } f(x) = y = \frac{4x+3}{6x-4}$$

Therefore,  $f(x)$  is onto

$$\text{Now, let } y = \frac{4x+3}{6x-4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6xy - 4y = 4x + 3 \Rightarrow x = \frac{4y+3}{6y-4} \Rightarrow f^{-1}(x) = \frac{4x+3}{6x-4}$$

**Solution 6**

Since  $a * b = \text{LCM}(a, b)$

Given numbers are 5 and 7.

Now,  $5 * 7 = \text{LCM}(5, 7)$

$$= 35$$

Hence,  $5 * 7 = 35$

**Solution 7**

Given,  $A = \mathbb{R} - \{3\}$  and  $B = \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$ .

$f : A \rightarrow B$  is a function defined by  $f(x) = \left(\frac{x-2}{x-3}\right)$ .

Let  $x_1, x_2 \in A$ .

Now,

$$f(x_1) = f(x_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x_1-2}{x_1-3} = \frac{x_2-2}{x_2-3}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x_1x_2 - 2x_2 - 3x_1 + 6 = x_1x_2 - 3x_2 - 2x_1 + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

$\therefore f$  is one-one.

Again, let  $y$  be any arbitrary element of  $B$ .

$$f(x) = y$$

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

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

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2-3y}{1-y}, \text{ which is a real number for all } y \neq 1.$$

Also,  $\frac{2-3y}{1-y} \neq 3$  for any  $y$ , because if we take  $\frac{2-3y}{1-y} = 3$

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

$\Rightarrow 2 = 3$ , which is not possible.

$\therefore x \in \mathbf{R} - \{3\}$  for all  $y \in \mathbf{R} - \{1\}$ .

Thus, for all  $y \in \mathbf{R} - \{1\}$  there exists  $x = \frac{2-3y}{1-y} \in \mathbf{R} - \{3\}$  such that

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

$\therefore$  Every element  $y$  in  $B$  has a pre-image  $x$  in  $A$  which is given by  $x = \frac{2-3y}{1-y}$ .

$\therefore f$  is onto.

Hence,  $f$  is one-one and onto.

To find  $f^{-1}$ :

Let  $f(x) = y$  where  $x \in \mathbf{R} - \{3\}$  and  $y \in \mathbf{R} - \{1\}$ .

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

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

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) = \frac{2-3y}{1-y}$$

$\therefore f^{-1}: \mathbf{R} - \{1\} \rightarrow \mathbf{R} - \{3\}$  is defined by  $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2-3x}{1-x}$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{R} - \{1\}$ .

### Solution 8

It is given that  $a * b = \frac{ab}{5}$ , where  $a, b \in \mathbf{R} - \{0\}$  and  $2 * (x * 5) = 10$ .

Using  $a * b = \frac{ab}{5}$  in the equation  $2 * (x * 5) = 10$ , we get:

$$2 * \left(\frac{5x}{5}\right) = 10 \quad \left(\because x * 5 = \frac{5x}{5}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 * x = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x}{5} = 10 \quad \left(\because 2 * x = \frac{2x}{5}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 25$$

$\therefore$  The value of  $x$  is 25.

### Solution 9

$A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 9\} \subset \mathbb{N}$ , the set of natural numbers

Let  $R$  be the relation in  $A \times A$  defined by  $(a, b) R (c, d)$  if  $a + d = b + c$  for  $(a, b), (c, d)$  in  $A \times A$ .

We have to show that  $R$  is an equivalence relation.

#### Reflexivity:

Let  $(a, b)$  be an arbitrary element of  $A \times A$ . Then, we have:

$$(a, b) \in A \times A$$

$$\Rightarrow a, b \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b = b + a \quad (\text{by commutativity of addition on } A \subset \mathbb{N})$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, b) R (a, b)$$

Thus,  $(a, b) R (a, b)$  for all  $(a, b) \in A \times A$ .

So,  $R$  is reflexive.

#### Symmetry:

Let  $(a, b), (c, d) \in A \times A$  such that  $(a, b) R (c, d)$ .

$$a + d = b + c$$

$$\Rightarrow b + c = a + d$$

$$\Rightarrow c + b = d + a \quad (\text{by commutativity of addition on } A \subset \mathbb{N})$$

$$\Rightarrow (c, d) R (a, b)$$

Thus,  $(a, b) R (c, d) \Rightarrow (c, d) R (a, b)$  for all  $(a, b), (c, d) \in A \times A$ .  
 So, R is symmetric.

**Transitivity:**

Let  $(a, b), (c, d), (e, f) \in A \times A$  such that  $(a, b) R (c, d)$  and  $(c, d) R (e, f)$ . Then, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} (a, b) R (c, d) \\ \Rightarrow a + d = b + c \end{aligned} \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (c, d) R (e, f) \\ \Rightarrow c + f = d + e \end{aligned} \quad \dots (2)$$

Adding equations (1) and (2), we get:

$$\begin{aligned} (a + d) + (c + f) &= (b + c) + (d + e) \\ \Rightarrow a + f &= b + e \\ \Rightarrow (a, b) R (e, f) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $(a, b) R (c, d)$  and  $(c, d) R (e, f) \Rightarrow (a, b) R (e, f)$  for all  $(a, b), (c, d), (e, f) \in A \times A$ .  
 So, R is transitive on  $A \times A$ .

Thus, R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

$\therefore$  R is an equivalence relation.

To write the equivalence class of  $[(2, 5)]$ , we need to search all the elements of the type  $(a, b)$  such that  $2 + b = 5 + a$ .

$\therefore$  Equivalence class of  $[(2, 5)] = \{(1, 4), (2, 5), (3, 6), (4, 7), (5, 8), (6, 9)\}$

**Solution 10**

To prove a relation R is an equivalence relation, it will be sufficient to prove it as a reflexive, symmetric and transitive relation.

i) Reflexivity:

Let  $(a, b)$  be an arbitrary element of  $N \times N$ .

Now,

$a, b \in N$

$$\Rightarrow ab(a + b) = ba(a + b)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, b)R(a, b)$$

$\therefore (a, b)R(a, b)$  for all  $(a, b) \in N \times N$

Hence, R is reflexive.

ii) Symmetry:

Let  $(a, b), (c, d)$  be an arbitrary element of  $N \times N$  such that  $(a, b)R(c, d)$ .

$$\therefore ad(b + c) = bc(a + d)$$

$$\Rightarrow cb(d + a) = da(c + b)$$

$$\Rightarrow (c, d)R(a, b)$$

$\therefore (a, b)R(c, d) \Rightarrow (c, d)R(a, b)$  for all  $(a, b), (c, d) \in N \times N$

Hence, R is symmetric.

iii) Transitivity:

Let  $(a, b), (c, d), (e, f)$  be an arbitrary element of  $N \times N$  such that  $(a, b)R(c, d)$  and  $(c, d)R(e, f)$ .

$$ad(b+c) = bc(a+d)$$

$$\Rightarrow adb + adc = abc + bcd$$

$$\Rightarrow cd(a-b) = ab(c-d) \quad \dots (1)$$

Also,

$$cf(d+e) = de(c+f)$$

$$\Rightarrow cfd + cfe = dec + def$$

$$\Rightarrow cd(f-e) = ef(d-c) \quad \dots (2)$$

From (1) and (2), we have

$$\frac{a-b}{f-e} = -\frac{ab}{ef}$$

$$\Rightarrow aef - bef = -abf + aeb$$

$$\Rightarrow aef + abf = aeb + bef$$

$$\Rightarrow af(b+e) = be(a+f)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, b)R(e, f)$$

$\therefore (a, b)R(c, d)$  and  $(c, d)R(e, f) \Rightarrow (a, b)R(e, f)$  for all  $(a, b), (c, d), (e, f) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$

Hence,  $R$  is transitive.

Thus,  $R$  being reflexive, symmetric and transitive, is an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ .

### Solution 11

Given:  $f(x) = 9x^2 + 6x - 5$

Let  $y = 9x^2 + 6x - 5$

$$\Rightarrow y = (3x+1)^2 - 1 - 5 = (3x+1)^2 - 6$$

$$\Rightarrow (3x+1)^2 = y + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x+1 = \sqrt{y+6}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\sqrt{y+6}-1}{3} \text{ as } x \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{y+6}-1 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y+6 > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y > -5 \text{ and } y \in \mathbb{N}$$

So, the function is invertible if the range of the function  $f(x)$  is  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ .

Therefore, the inverse of the function  $f(x)$  is  $f^{-1}(y)$ , i.e.  $x$ .

Now,

$$f^{-1}(y) = \frac{\sqrt{y+6}-1}{3}$$

$$f^{-1}(43) = \frac{\sqrt{43+6}-1}{3} = 2$$

$$f^{-1}(163) = \frac{\sqrt{163+6}-1}{3} = 4$$

### Solution 12

$f: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow [-5, \infty)$  given by  $f(x) = 9x^2 + 6x - 5$

To show:  $f$  is one-one and onto.

Let us assume that  $f$  is not one-one.

Therefore there exist two or more numbers for which images are same.

For  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $x_1 \neq x_2$

Let  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$

$$\Rightarrow 9x_1^2 + 6x_1 - 5 = 9x_2^2 + 6x_2 - 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x_1^2 + 6x_1 = 9x_2^2 + 6x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x_1^2 - 9x_2^2 + 6x_1 - 6x_2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9(x_1^2 - x_2^2) + 6(x_1 - x_2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x_1 - x_2)[9(x_1 + x_2) + 6] = 0$$

Since  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are positive,

$$9(x_1 + x_2) + 6 > 0$$

$$\therefore x_1 - x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

Therefore, it contradicts our assumption.

Hence the function  $f$  is one-one.

Now, let us prove that  $f$  is onto.

A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is onto if for every  $y \in Y$ , there exist a pre-image in  $X$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 9x^2 + 6x - 5 \\ &= 9x^2 + 6x + 1 - 6 \\ &= (3x + 1)^2 - 6 \end{aligned}$$

Now, for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$  or  $[0, \infty)$ ,  $f(x) \in [-5, \infty)$ .

$\therefore$  Range = co-domain.

Hence,  $f$  is onto.

Therefore, function  $f$  is invertible.

Now, let  $y = 9x^2 + 6x - 5$

$$9x^2 + 6x - 5 - y = 0 \text{ where } x \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 + 36(5+y)}}{2 \times 9}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-6 + \sqrt{36 + 36(5+y)}}{18} \quad [\text{As } x \in \mathbb{R}^+, \text{ we neglecting the negative part}]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{6+y}}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) = \frac{\sqrt{y+6}-1}{3}$$

$$(i) f^{-1}(10) = \frac{\sqrt{10+6}-1}{3} = \frac{4-1}{3} = 1$$

$$(ii) f^{-1}(y) = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{y+6}-1}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{y+6} - 1 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{y+6} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow y + 6 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 19$$

OR

Given,  $*$  is a binary operation on  $\mathbb{Q} - \{1\}$  defined by  $a * b = a - b + ab$

Commutativity:

For any  $a, b \in \mathbb{A}$ , we have

$$a * b = a - b + ab \text{ and } b * a = b - a + ba$$

Since,  $a - b + ab \neq b - a + ab$

$$\therefore a * b \neq b * a$$

So,  $*$  is not commutative on  $\mathbb{A}$ .

Associativity:

Let  $a, b, c \in A$

$$(a * b) * c = (a - b + ab) * c$$

$$\Rightarrow (a * b) * c = (a - b + ab) - c + (a - b + ab)c$$

$$\Rightarrow (a * b) * c = a - b + ab - c + ac - bc + abc$$

$$a * (b * c) = a * (b - c + bc)$$

$$\Rightarrow a * (b * c) = a - (b - c + bc) + a(b - c + bc)$$

$$\Rightarrow a * (b * c) = a - b + c - bc + ab - ac + abc$$

$$\Rightarrow (a * b) * c \neq a * (b * c)$$

So,  $*$  is not associative on  $A$ .

Identity Element

Let  $e$  be the identity element in  $A$ , then

$$a * e = a = e * a \quad \forall a \in Q - \{1\}$$

$$\Rightarrow a - e + ae = a$$

$$\Rightarrow (a - 1)e = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e = 0 \quad (As a \neq 1)$$

So,  $0$  is the identity element in  $A$ .

Inverse of an Element

Let  $a$  be an arbitrary element of  $A$  and  $b$  be the inverse of  $a$ . Then,

$$a * b = e = b * a$$

$$\Rightarrow a * b = e$$

$$\Rightarrow a - b + ab = 0 \quad [ \because e = 0 ]$$

$$\Rightarrow a = b(1 - a)$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{a}{1-a}$$

Since,  $b \in Q - 1$

So, every element of  $A$  is invertible.

### Solution 13

Given:  $a * b$  denotes the larger of ' $a$ ' and ' $b$ '.

$$\text{Also, } a \circ b = (a * b) + 3$$

For  $a = 5$  and  $b = 10$

$$a * b = 5 * 10 = 10$$

$$a \circ b = 5 \circ 10 = (5 * 10) + 3 = 10 + 3 = 13.$$

### Solution 14

$$A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$$

$$R = \{(a, b) : a, b \in Z, |a - b| \text{ is divisible by } 4\}$$

For reflexive,

for every  $a \in A$

$$|a - a| = 0 \text{ which is divisible by } 4$$

then  $(a, a) \in R$

Hence, it is reflexive.

For symmetric,

If  $(a, b) \in R$  then  $(b, a) \in R$

$$|a - b| = |b - a|$$

Hence, it is symmetric.

For transitive,

If  $(a, b) \in R \Rightarrow |a - b|$  is divisible by 4 (Say  $|a - b| = 4k_1 \Rightarrow a - b = \pm 4k_1$ )

and  $(b, c) \in R \Rightarrow |b - c|$  is divisible by 4 (Say  $|b - c| = 4k_2 \Rightarrow b - c = \pm 4k_2$ )

$\therefore |a - c| = |\pm 4k_1 \pm 4k_2|$  which is divisible by 4

then  $(a, c) \in R$

Hence, it is transitive.

Also, the relation is equivalence.

Set of elements related to 1 is  $\{(1, 1), (1, 5), (1, 9), (5, 1), (9, 1)\}$

Let  $(x, 2) \in R; (x \in A)$

$$|x - 2| = 4k \quad (k \text{ is whole number, } k \leq 3)$$

$$\therefore x = 2, 6, 10$$

Equivalence class  $[2]$  is  $\{2, 6, 10\}$

Given,  $y = \frac{\text{OR } x}{x^2 + 1}$

$$\Rightarrow yx^2 - x + y = 0$$

Here,  $a = y, b = -1$  and  $c = y$

$$\therefore x = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{1 - 4y^2}}{2y}$$

Clearly for every value of  $y, x$  will have two different values so the function is many - one not one - one.

$$\text{Since } 1 - 4y^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow (1 + 2y)(1 - 2y) \geq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{-1}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

That means no matter what is  $x, y$  always belongs to the interval  $\left[\frac{-1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$

So, the function is not onto.

$$\text{Now, } f \circ g \left( x \right) = \frac{2x-1}{(2x-1)^2+1} = \frac{2x+1}{4x^2-4x+1+1} = \frac{2x+1}{2(2x^2-2x+1)}$$

### Solution 15

$$R = \{(a, b); a \leq b\}$$

Clearly  $(a, a) \in R$  as  $a = a$ .

$\therefore R$  is reflexive.

Now,

$$(2, 4) \in R \text{ (as } 2 < 4)$$

But,  $(4, 2) \notin R$  as 4 is greater than 2.

$\therefore R$  is not symmetric.

Now, let  $(a, b), (b, c) \in R$ .

Then,

$a \leq b$  and  $b \leq c$

$\Rightarrow a \leq c$

$\Rightarrow (a, c) \in R$

$\therefore R$  is transitive.

Hence,  $R$  is reflexive and transitive but not symmetric.

**OR**

The given function is

$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

$f(x) = x^2 + x + 1$

Let  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{N}$

So let  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$

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

$$x_1^2 - x_2^2 + x_1 - x_2 = 0$$

$$(x_1 - x_2)(x_1 + x_2 + 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore x_2 = x_1$$

$$\text{or } x_2 = -x_1 - 1$$

$$\therefore x_1 \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\therefore -x_1 - 1 \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{So } x_2 \neq -x_1 - 1$$

$$\therefore f(x_2) = f(x_1) \text{ only for } x_1 = x_2$$

So  $f(x)$  is one-one function.

$$\therefore f(x) = x^2 + x + 1$$

$$f(x) = \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4}$$

Which is an increasing function.

$$f(1) = 3$$

$\therefore$  Range of  $f(x)$  will be  $\{3, 7, \dots\}$

Which is a subset of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

So it is an into function.

i.e.,  $f(x)$  is not an onto function.

$$\text{let } y = x^2 + x + 1$$

$$x^2 + x + 1 - y = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4(1-y)}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{4y-3}}{2}$$

So two possibilities are their for  $f^{-1}(x)$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{4x-3}}{2}, \frac{-1 - \sqrt{4x-3}}{2} \text{ and we know } f^{-1}(3) = 1 \text{ because } f(1) = 3$$

$$\text{so } f^{-1}(x) = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{4x-3}}{2}$$

### Solution 16

The given operation is  $a * b = ab + 1$

If any operation is a binary operation then it must follow the closure property.

Let  $a \in R, b \in R$

then  $a * b \in R$

also  $ab + 1 \in R$

i.e.  $a * b \in R$

so  $*$  on  $R$  satisfies the closure property

Now if this binary operation satisfies associative law then

$$(a * b) * c = a * (b * c)$$

$$(a * b) * c = (ab + 1) * c$$

$$= (ab + 1)c + 1$$

$$= abc + c + 1$$

$$a * (b * c) = a * (bc + 1)$$

$$= a(bc + 1) + 1$$

$$= abc + a + 1$$

$$\therefore (a * b) * c \neq a * (b * c)$$

i.e.,  $*$  operation does not follow associative law.

**Solution 17**

Given:  $f(x) = ax + \frac{b}{x}$  ( $a > 0, b > 0, x > 0$ )

As  $a, b$  and  $x > 0$

We can use  $AM \geq GM$

$$\frac{ax + \frac{b}{x}}{2} \geq \sqrt{ax \times \frac{b}{x}}$$

$$\frac{ax + \frac{b}{x}}{2} \geq \sqrt{ab}$$

$$ax + \frac{b}{x} \geq 2\sqrt{ab}$$

Hence, the minimum value of  $f(x)$  is  $2\sqrt{ab}$ .

**Solution 18**

Every relation in a set  $A$  is called reflexive relation, if each element of  $A$  is related to itself. For example, if  $A = \{p, q, r\}$  then  $R = \{(p, p), (q, q), (r, r), (p, r)\}$  is a reflexive relation.

**Solution 19**

We have,

$$R = \{(a, b) : a < b\}, \quad \text{where } a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

(i) Symmetry

We observe that  $(2, 3) \in R$  but  $(3, 2) \notin R$ .

So,  $R$  is not symmetric.

(ii) Transitivity

Let  $(a, b) \in R$  and  $(b, c) \in R$ . Then,

$$\Rightarrow a < b \text{ and } b < c$$

$$\Rightarrow a < c$$

$$\Rightarrow (a, c) \in R$$

So,  $R$  is transitive.

**Solution 20**

If  $(a_1, a_2) \in R$  and  $(a_2, a_3) \in R$  then  $(a_1, a_3) \in R$

This category of relation is called transitive.

Hence, set  $A$  is called a transitive set.

**Solution 21**

Given:  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $R = \{(1, 3), (2, 2), (3, 2)\}$

To make  $R$  reflexive  $(1, 1)$  and  $(3, 3)$  need to be added and to make  $R$  symmetric  $(3, 1)$  and  $(2, 3)$  need to be added. Thus, a minimum of 4 order pairs, i.e.,  $\{(1, 1), (3, 3), (3, 1), (2, 3)\}$  need to be added to make  $R$  both reflexive and symmetric.

Hence, the correct answer is option (c).

**Solution 22**

$$x^2 + y^2 \leq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 \leq 4 - x^2$$

The value of  $y^2$  will always be a positive value so, the value of  $4 - x^2$  must be greater than or equal to zero.

$$\therefore 4 - x^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 \leq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow -2 \leq x \leq 2$$

Since the given relation in set  $\mathbf{Z}$ , the domain of  $R$  is  $\{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$ .

Hence, the correct answer is option (b).

**Solution 23**

Let  $X = \{x^2 : x \in \mathbf{N}\}$  and  $f : \mathbf{N} \rightarrow X$  such that  $f(x) = x^2, x \in \mathbf{N}$ .

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x = y$$

So,  $f$  is a one-one function.

Let  $y \in \mathbf{X}$ .

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = y$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = y$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{y} \in \mathbf{N} \quad [ \because y \in \mathbf{X} = \{x^2 : x \in \mathbf{N}\} ]$$

So,  $f$  is onto function

Therefore,  $f$  is a bijective function.

Hence, the correct answer is option (d).

#### Solution 24

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

#### For One-One:

Let  $x$  and  $y$  be two arbitrary elements of  $\mathbf{R}$  such that  $f(x) = f(y)$ .

$$\text{Then, } f(x) = f(y)$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm y$$

Here,  $f(x) = f(y)$  does not provide the unique solution  $x = y$  but it provides  $x = \pm y$ .

Thus,  $f$  is not a one-one function.

#### For Onto:

Clearly  $f(x) = 2 + x^2 \geq 2$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ .

So, negative real numbers in  $\mathbf{R}$ (co-domain) do not have their pre-images in  $\mathbf{R}$ (domain).

Thus,  $f$  is not an onto function.

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

Hence, the correct answer is option (d).

#### Solution 25

Given:  $A = \{3, 5\}$

The number of reflexive relations on a set with the 'n' number of elements is given by  $2^{(n^2-n)}$ .

Here,  $n = 2$

$$\therefore \text{The number of reflexive relations on a set } A = 2^{(2^2-2)} = 2^{(4-2)} = 2^2 = 4$$

Hence, the correct answer is option (b).

#### Solution 26

$$(I) \text{ Total number of relations from B to G} = 2^{3 \times 2}$$

$$= 2^6$$

$$= 64$$

$$(II) \text{ Total number of functions from B to G} = 2^3$$

$$= 8$$

$$(III) R = \{(x, y) ; x \text{ and } y \text{ are students of same}\}, R: B \rightarrow B$$

**For Reflexive,**  $(x, x) \in R \rightarrow x$  and  $x$  are students of same sex which is true

So, it is reflexive relation

**For Symmetric,** If  $(x, y) \in R \rightarrow x$  and  $y$  are of same sex then  $(y, x) \in R \rightarrow y$  and  $x$  are of same sex which is true.

So, it is symmetric relation.

**For transitive,** if  $(x, y) \in R \rightarrow x$  and  $y$  are of same sex

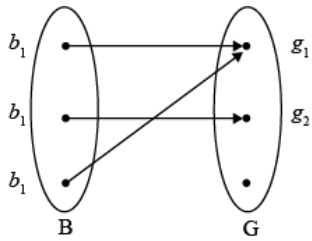
$(y, z) \in R \rightarrow y$  and  $z$  are of same sex then  $(x, z) \in R \rightarrow x$  and  $z$  are of same sex which is true

So, it is transitive relation.

$\therefore$  It is an equivalence Relation.

**OR**

$$(III) f = \{(b_1, g_1) (b_2, g_2) (b_3, g_1)\}$$



It is many-one and onto function.  
So, it is a surjective function.

**Solution 27**

$$R = \{a, b\}: a = b - 2, b > 6\}$$

$$\text{If } b = 7, a = 5 \rightarrow (5, 7)$$

$$b = 8, a = 6 \rightarrow (6, 8)$$

Hence, the correct answer is option (b).

**Solution 28**

$$\begin{aligned} f f(x) &= |\cos x| \\ f\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) &= \left|\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)\right| \\ &= \left|\cos\left(\pi - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right| \\ &= \left|-\cos\frac{\pi}{4}\right| \\ &= \left|-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the correct answer is option (d).

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