

EXERCISE 3.1

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1. Define a function as a set of ordered pairs.

Solution:

Let A and B be two non-empty sets. A relation from A to B, i.e., a subset of A×B, is called a function (or a mapping) from A to B, if

- (i) for each $a \in A$ there exists $b \in B$ such that $(a, b) \in f$
- (ii) $(a, b) \in f$ and $(a, c) \in f \Rightarrow b = c$

2. Define a function as a correspondence between two sets. Solution:

Let A and B be two non-empty sets. Then a function 'f' from set A to B is a rule or method or correspondence which associates elements of set A to elements of set B such that:

- (i) all elements of set A are associated to elements in set B.
- (ii) an element of set A is associated to a unique element in set B.

3. What is the fundamental difference between a relation and a function? Is every relation a function?

Solution:

Let 'f' be a function and R be a relation defined from set X to set Y.

The domain of the relation R might be a subset of the set X, but the domain of the function f must be equal to X. This is because each element of the domain of a function must have an element associated with it, whereas this is not necessary for a relation.

In relation, one element of X might be associated with one or more elements of Y, while it must be associated with only one element of Y in a function.

Thus, not every relation is a function. However, every function is necessarily a relation.

- 4. Let $A = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$ and f: $A \to Z$ be a function defined by $f(x) = x^2 2x 3$. Find:
- (i) range of f i.e. f (A)
- (ii) pre-images of 6, -3 and 5

Solution:

Given:

$$A = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$$

 $f: A \rightarrow Z$ such that $f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 3$



(i) Range of fi.e. f(A)

A is the domain of the function f. Hence, range is the set of elements f(x) for all $x \in A$. Substituting x = -2 in f(x), we get

$$f(-2) = (-2)^{2} - 2(-2) - 3$$
$$= 4 + 4 - 3$$
$$= 5$$

Substituting x = -1 in f(x), we get

$$f(-1) = (-1)^{2} - 2(-1) - 3$$

$$= 1 + 2 - 3$$

$$= 0$$

Substituting x = 0 in f(x), we get

$$f(0) = (0)^{2} - 2(0) - 3$$

= 0 - 0 - 3
= -3

Substituting x = 1 in f(x), we get

$$f(1) = 1^2 - 2(1) - 3$$

= 1 - 2 - 3
= -4

Substituting x = 2 in f(x), we get

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

= 4 - 4 - 3
= -3

Thus, the range of f is $\{-4, -3, 0, 5\}$.

(ii) pre-images of 6, -3 and 5

Let x be the pre-image of $6 \Rightarrow f(x) = 6$

$$x^{2}-2x-3=6$$

$$x^{2}-2x-9=0$$

$$x = [-(-2) \pm \sqrt{((-2)^{2}-4(1)(-9))}] / 2(1)$$

$$= [2 \pm \sqrt{4+36}] / 2$$

$$= [2 \pm \sqrt{40}] / 2$$

$$= 1 \pm \sqrt{10}$$

However, $1 \pm \sqrt{10} \notin A$

Thus, there exists no pre-image of 6.

Now, let x be the pre-image of $-3 \Rightarrow f(x) = -3$

$$x^2 - 2x - 3 = -3$$
$$x^2 - 2x = 0$$

$$x(x-2)=0$$



$$x = 0 \text{ or } 2$$

Clearly, both 0 and 2 are elements of A.

Thus, 0 and 2 are the pre-images of -3.

Now, let x be the pre-image of $5 \Rightarrow f(x) = 5$

$$x^2 - 2x - 3 = 5$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 8 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 2x - 8 = 0$$

$$x(x-4) + 2(x-4) = 0$$

$$(x+2)(x-4)=0$$

$$x = -2 \text{ or } 4$$

However, $4 \notin A$ but $-2 \in A$

Thus, -2 is the pre-images of 5.

 \therefore Ø, $\{0, 2\}$, -2 are the pre-images of 6, -3, 5

5. If a function $f: R \to R$ be defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 2, x < 0 \\ 1, x = 0 \\ 4x + 1, x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Find: f(1), f(-1), f(0), f(2).

Solution:

Given:

Let us find f(1), f(-1), f(0) and f(2).

When
$$x > 0$$
, $f(x) = 4x + 1$

Substituting x = 1 in the above equation, we get

$$f(1) = 4(1) + 1 = 4 + 1$$

When
$$x < 0$$
, $f(x) = 3x - 2$

Substituting x = -1 in the above equation, we get

$$f(-1) = 3(-1) - 2$$

= -3 - 2

$$= -5$$

When
$$x = 0$$
, $f(x) = 1$

Substituting x = 0 in the above equation, we get

$$f(0) = 1$$



When x > 0, f(x) = 4x + 1

Substituting x = 2 in the above equation, we get

$$f(2) = 4(2) + 1$$

= 8 + 1
= 9

$$f(1) = 5$$
, $f(-1) = -5$, $f(0) = 1$ and $f(2) = 9$.

6. A function f: $R \rightarrow R$ is defined by $f(x) = x^2$. Determine

- (i) range of f
- (ii) $\{x: f(x) = 4\}$
- (iii) $\{y: f(y) = -1\}$

Solution:

Given:

 $f: R \rightarrow R$ and $f(x) = x^2$.

(i) range of f

Domain of f = R (set of real numbers)

We know that the square of a real number is always positive or equal to zero.

$$\therefore$$
 range of $f = R^+ \cup \{0\}$

(ii)
$$\{x: f(x) = 4\}$$

Given:

$$f(x) = 4$$

we know, $x^2 = 4$

$$x^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$(x-2)(x+2)=0$$

$$\therefore x = \pm 2$$

$$\therefore \{x: f(x) = 4\} = \{-2, 2\}$$

(iii)
$$\{y: f(y) = -1\}$$

Given:

$$f(y) = -1$$

$$y^2 = -1$$

However, the domain of f is R, and for every real number y, the value of y^2 is non-negative.

Hence, there exists no real y for which $y^2 = -1$.

$$\therefore \{y: f(y) = -1\} = \emptyset$$

7. Let f: $R^+ \rightarrow R$, where R^+ is the set of all positive real numbers, be such that f(x) =



log_e x. Determine

- (i) the image set of the domain of f
- (ii) $\{x: f(x) = -2\}$
- (iii) whether f(xy) = f(x) + f(y) holds.

Solution:

Given f: $R^+ \rightarrow R$ and $f(x) = \log_e x$.

(i) the image set of the domain of f

Domain of $f = R^+$ (set of positive real numbers)

We know the value of logarithm to the base e (natural logarithm) can take all possible real values.

- \therefore The image set of f = R
- (ii) $\{x: f(x) = -2\}$

Given f(x) = -2

$$log_e x = -2$$

$$x = e^{-2}$$
 [since, $\log_b a = c \Rightarrow a = b^c$]

$$\therefore \{x: f(x) = -2\} = \{e^{-2}\}\$$

(iii) Whether f(xy) = f(x) + f(y) holds.

We have $f(x) = \log_e x \Rightarrow f(y) = \log_e y$

Now, let us consider f (xy)

$$F(xy) = \log_e(xy)$$

$$f(xy) = \log_e(x \times y)$$
 [since, $\log_b(a \times c) = \log_b a + \log_b c$]

$$f(xy) = \log_e x + \log_e y$$

$$f(xy) = f(x) + f(y)$$

 \therefore the equation f(xy) = f(x) + f(y) holds.

8. Write the following relations as sets of ordered pairs and find which of them are functions:

- (i) $\{(x, y): y = 3x, x \in \{1, 2, 3\}, y \in \{3, 6, 9, 12\}\}$
- (ii) $\{(x, y): y > x + 1, x = 1, 2 \text{ and } y = 2, 4, 6\}$
- (iii) $\{(x, y): x + y = 3, x, y \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}\}$

Solution:

(i)
$$\{(x, y): y = 3x, x \in \{1, 2, 3\}, y \in \{3, 6, 9, 12\}\}$$

When
$$x = 1$$
, $y = 3(1) = 3$

When
$$x = 2$$
, $y = 3(2) = 6$

When
$$x = 3$$
, $y = 3(3) = 9$

$$\therefore R = \{(1, 3), (2, 6), (3, 9)\}\$$

Hence, the given relation R is a function.



(ii)
$$\{(x, y): y > x + 1, x = 1, 2 \text{ and } y = 2, 4, 6\}$$

When $x = 1, y > 1 + 1$ or $y > 2 \Rightarrow y = \{4, 6\}$
When $x = 2, y > 2 + 1$ or $y > 3 \Rightarrow y = \{4, 6\}$
 $\therefore R = \{(1, 4), (1, 6), (2, 4), (2, 6)\}$

Hence, the given relation R is not a function.

(iii)
$$\{(x, y): x + y = 3, x, y \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}\}$$

When $x = 0, 0 + y = 3 \Rightarrow y = 3$
When $x = 1, 1 + y = 3 \Rightarrow y = 2$
When $x = 2, 2 + y = 3 \Rightarrow y = 1$
When $x = 3, 3 + y = 3 \Rightarrow y = 0$
 $\therefore R = \{(0, 3), (1, 2), (2, 1), (3, 0)\}$

Hence, the given relation R is a function.

9. Let $f: R \to R$ and $g: C \to C$ be two functions defined as $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = x^2$. Are they equal functions?

Solution:

Given:

f:
$$R \to R \in f(x) = x^2$$
 and $g: R \to R \in g(x) = x^2$

f is defined from R to R, the domain of f = R.

g is defined from C to C, the domain of g = C.

Two functions are equal only when the domain and codomain of both the functions are equal.

In this case, the domain of $f \neq domain$ of g.

: f and g are not equal functions.



EXERCISE 3.2

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1. If $f(x) = x^2 - 3x + 4$, then find the values of x satisfying the equation f(x) = f(2x + 1).

Solution:

Given:

$$f(x) = x^2 - 3x + 4$$
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Let us find x satisfying f(x) = f(2x + 1).

We have,

$$f(2x+1) = (2x+1)^2 - 3(2x+1) + 4$$

$$= (2x)^2 + 2(2x)(1) + 1^2 - 6x - 3 + 4$$

$$= 4x^2 + 4x + 1 - 6x + 1$$

$$= 4x^2 - 2x + 2$$

Now,
$$f(x) = f(2x + 1)$$

$$x^2 - 3x + 4 = 4x^2 - 2x + 2$$

$$4x^2 - 2x + 2 - x^2 + 3x - 4 = 0$$

$$3x^2 + x - 2 = 0$$

$$3x^2 + 3x - 2x - 2 = 0$$

$$3x(x+1)-2(x+1)=0$$

$$(x+1)(3x-2)=0$$

$$x + 1 = 0$$
 or $3x - 2 = 0$

$$x = -1 \text{ or } 3x = 2$$

$$x = -1 \text{ or } 2/3$$

 \therefore The values of x are -1 and 2/3.

2. If $f(x) = (x - a)^2 (x - b)^2$, find f(a + b).

Solution:

Given:

$$F(x) = (x-a)^2(x-b)^2$$

Let us find f(a + b).

We have,

$$f(a+b) = (a+b-a)^2 (a+b-b)^2$$

$$f(a + b) = (b)^2 (a)^2$$

$$f(a+b) = a^2b^2$$

3. If y = f(x) = (ax - b) / (bx - a), show that x = f(y).

Solution:

Given:



$$y = f(x) = (ax - b) / (bx - a) \Rightarrow f(y) = (ay - b) / (by - a)$$

Let us prove that $x = f(y)$.
We have,
 $y = (ax - b) / (bx - a)$
By cross-multiplying,
 $y(bx - a) = ax - b$
 $bxy - ay = ax - b$
 $bxy - ax = ay - b$
 $x(by - a) = ay - b$
 $x = (ay - b) / (by - a) = f(y)$
 $\therefore x = f(y)$
Hence proved.

4. If f(x) = 1 / (1 - x), show that f[f(f(x))] = x. Solution:

Given:

$$f(x) = 1 / (1 - x)$$

Let us prove that $f[f(f(x))] = x$.
Firstly, let us solve for $f(f(x))$.

$$f \{f(x)\} = f \{1/(1-x)\}$$

$$= 1/1 - (1/(1-x))$$

$$= 1/[(1-x-1)/(1-x)]$$

$$= 1/(-x/(1-x))$$

$$= (1-x)/-x$$

$$= (x-1)/x$$

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

Now, we shall solve for
$$f[f\{f(x)\}]$$

 $f[f\{f(x)\}] = f[(x-1)/x]$
 $= 1 / [1 - (x-1)/x]$
 $= 1 / [(x - (x-1))/x]$
 $= 1 / [(x - x + 1)/x]$
 $= 1 / (1/x)$

 $f[f\{f(x)\}] = x$ Hence proved.

5. If
$$f(x) = (x + 1) / (x - 1)$$
, show that $f[f(x)] = x$. Solution:

Given:



$$\begin{split} f\left(x\right) &= \left(x+1\right) / \left(x-1\right) \\ \text{Let us prove that } f\left[f\left(x\right)\right] = x. \\ f\left[f\left(x\right)\right] &= f\left[\left(x+1\right) / \left(x-1\right)\right] \\ &= \left[\left(x+1\right) / \left(x-1\right) + 1\right] / \left[\left(x+1\right) / \left(x-1\right) - 1\right] \\ &= \left[\left(x+1\right) + \left(x-1\right)\right] / \left[\left(x+1\right) - \left(x-1\right)\right] / \left(x-1\right) \\ &= \left[\left(x+1\right) + \left(x-1\right)\right] / \left[\left(x+1\right) - \left(x-1\right)\right] \\ &= \left(x+1 + x - 1\right) / \left(x+1 - x + 1\right) \\ &= 2x / 2 \\ &= x \\ \therefore f\left[f\left(x\right)\right] &= x \\ \text{Hence proved.} \end{split}$$

6. If

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & \text{when } x < 0 \\ x, & \text{when } 0 \le x < 1 \\ \frac{1}{x}, & \text{when } x \ge 1 \end{cases}$$

Find:

- (i) f(1/2)
- (ii) f (-2)
- (iii) f (1)
- (iv) $f(\sqrt{3})$
- (v) f ($\sqrt{-3}$)

Solution:

(i) f(1/2)

When,
$$0 \le x \le 1$$
, $f(x) = x$

:
$$f(1/2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

(ii)
$$f(-2)$$

When,
$$x < 0$$
, $f(x) = x^2$

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

= 4

$$f(-2) = 4$$

(iii)
$$f(1)$$

When,
$$x \ge 1$$
, $f(x) = 1/x$

$$f(1) = 1/1$$

$$\therefore f(1) = 1$$



(iv)
$$f(\sqrt{3})$$

We have $\sqrt{3} = 1.732 > 1$
When, $x \ge 1$, $f(x) = 1/x$
 $\therefore f(\sqrt{3}) = 1/\sqrt{3}$

(v) f ($\sqrt{-3}$)

We know $\sqrt{-3}$ is not a real number and the function f(x) is defined only when $x \in \mathbb{R}$. \therefore $f(\sqrt{-3})$ does not exist.



EXERCISE 3.3

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1. Find the domain of each of the following real valued functions of real variable:

- (i) f(x) = 1/x
- (ii) f(x) = 1/(x-7)
- (iii) f(x) = (3x-2)/(x+1)
- (iv) $f(x) = (2x+1)/(x^2-9)$
- (v) $f(x) = (x^2+2x+1)/(x^2-8x+12)$

Solution:

(i)
$$f(x) = 1/x$$

We know, f(x) is defined for all real values of x, except for the case when x = 0.

- \therefore Domain of $f = R \{0\}$
- (ii) f(x) = 1/(x-7)

We know, f(x) is defined for all real values of x, except for the case when x - 7 = 0 or x = 7.

- \therefore Domain of $f = R \{7\}$
- (iii) $f(x) = \frac{3x-2}{x+1}$

We know, f(x) is defined for all real values of x, except for the case when x + 1 = 0 or x = -1.

- \therefore Domain of $f = R \{-1\}$
- (iv) $f(x) = \frac{(2x+1)}{(x^2-9)}$

We know, f (x) is defined for all real values of x, except for the case when $x^2 - 9 = 0$.

$$x^2 - 9 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 3^2 = 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-3)=0$$

$$x + 3 = 0$$
 or $x - 3 = 0$

$$X = \pm 3$$

- $\therefore Domain of f = R \{-3, 3\}$
- (v) $f(x) = (x^2+2x+1)/(x^2-8x+12)$

We know, f(x) is defined for all real values of x, except for the case when $x^2 - 8x + 12 = 0$.

$$x^2 - 8x + 12 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 6x + 12 = 0$$

$$x(x-2) - 6(x-2) = 0$$

$$(x-2)(x-6)=0$$



$$x-2 = 0$$
 or $x-6 = 0$
 $x = 2$ or 6
 \therefore Domain of $f = R - \{2, 6\}$

2. Find the domain of each of the following real valued functions of real variable:

(i)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{(x-2)}$$

(ii)
$$f(x) = 1/(\sqrt{x^2-1})$$

(iii)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{9-x^2}$$

(iv)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{(x-2)/(3-x)}$$

Solution:

(i)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{(x-2)}$$

We know the square of a real number is never negative.

f (x) takes real values only when $x - 2 \ge 0$

$$x \ge 2$$

$$x \in [2, \infty)$$

$$\therefore$$
 Domain (f) = [2, ∞)

(ii)
$$f(x) = 1/(\sqrt{x^2-1})$$

We know the square of a real number is never negative.

f (x) takes real values only when $x^2 - 1 \ge 0$

$$x^2 - 1^2 \ge 0$$

$$(x+1)(x-1) \ge 0$$

$$x \le -1$$
 or $x \ge 1$

$$\therefore x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$$

In addition, f(x) is also undefined when $x^2 - 1 = 0$ because denominator will be zero and the result will be indeterminate.

$$x^2 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm 1$$

So,
$$x \in (-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty) - \{-1, 1\}$$

$$x \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

$$\therefore \text{ Domain (f)} = (-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

(iii)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{9-x^2}$$

We know the square of a real number is never negative.

f (x) takes real values only when $9 - x^2 \ge 0$

$$9 \ge x^2$$

$$x^2 \le 9$$

$$x^2 - 9 \le 0$$

$$x^2 - 3^2 \le 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-3) \leq 0$$



$$x \ge -3$$
 and $x \le 3$

$$x \in [-3, 3]$$

$$\therefore$$
 Domain (f) = [-3, 3]

(iv)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{(x-2)/(3-x)}$$

We know the square root of a real number is never negative.

f(x) takes real values only when x - 2 and 3 - x are both positive and negative.

(a) Both
$$x - 2$$
 and $3 - x$ are positive

$$x-2 \ge 0$$

$$x \ge 2$$

$$3-x \ge 0$$

$$x \le 3$$

Hence, $x \ge 2$ and $x \le 3$

$$x \in [2, 3]$$

(b) Both
$$x - 2$$
 and $3 - x$ are negative

$$x-2 \le 0$$

$$x \le 2$$

$$3-x \le 0$$

$$x \ge 3$$

Hence, $x \le 2$ and $x \ge 3$

However, the intersection of these sets is null set. Thus, this case is not possible.

Hence,
$$x \in [2, 3] - \{3\}$$

$$x \in [2, 3]$$

$$\therefore Domain (f) = [2, 3]$$

3. Find the domain and range of each of the following real valued functions:

(i)
$$f(x) = (ax+b)/(bx-a)$$

(ii)
$$f(x) = \frac{(ax-b)}{(cx-d)}$$

(iii)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{(x-1)}$$

(iv)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{(x-3)}$$

(v)
$$f(x) = (x-2)/(2-x)$$

(vi)
$$f(x) = |x-1|$$

(vii)
$$f(x) = -|x|$$

(viii)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{9-x^2}$$

Solution:

(i)
$$f(x) = \frac{(ax+b)}{(bx-a)}$$



f(x) is defined for all real values of x, except for the case when bx - a = 0 or x = a/b.

Domain (f) =
$$R - (a/b)$$

Let
$$f(x) = y$$

$$(ax+b)/(bx-a) = y$$

$$ax + b = y(bx - a)$$

$$ax + b = bxy - ay$$

$$ax - bxy = -ay - b$$

$$x(a - by) = -(ay + b)$$

$$\therefore x = - (ay+b)/(a-by)$$

When
$$a - by = 0$$
 or $y = a/b$

Hence, f(x) cannot take the value a/b.

$$\therefore$$
 Range (f) = R – (a/b)

(ii)
$$f(x) = \frac{(ax-b)}{(cx-d)}$$

f(x) is defined for all real values of x, except for the case when cx - d = 0 or x = d/c.

Domain (f) =
$$R - (d/c)$$

Let
$$f(x) = y$$

$$(ax-b)/(cx-d) = y$$

$$ax - b = y(cx - d)$$

$$ax - b = cxy - dy$$

$$ax - cxy = b - dy$$

$$x(a-cy)=b-dy$$

$$\therefore x = (b-dy)/(a-cy)$$

When
$$a - cy = 0$$
 or $y = a/c$,

Hence, f(x) cannot take the value a/c.

$$\therefore$$
 Range (f) = R – (a/c)

(iii)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{(x-1)}$$

We know the square of a real number is never negative.

f(x) takes real values only when $x - 1 \ge 0$

$$x \ge 1$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{x} \in [1, \infty)$$

Thus, domain (f) =
$$[1, \infty)$$

When
$$x \ge 1$$
, we have $x - 1 \ge 0$

Hence,
$$\sqrt{(x-1)} \ge 0 \Rightarrow f(x) \ge 0$$

$$f(x) \in [0, \infty)$$

$$\therefore \text{ Range (f)} = [0, \infty)$$

(iv)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{(x-3)}$$



We know the square of a real number is never negative.

f (x) takes real values only when $x - 3 \ge 0$

$$x \ge 3$$

$$\therefore x \in [3, \infty)$$

Domain (f) =
$$[3, \infty)$$

When
$$x \ge 3$$
, we have $x - 3 \ge 0$

Hence,
$$\sqrt{(x-3)} \ge 0 \Rightarrow f(x) \ge 0$$

$$f(x) \in [0, \infty)$$

$$\therefore$$
 Range (f) = $[0, \infty)$

(v)
$$f(x) = (x-2)/(2-x)$$

$$f(x)$$
 is defined for all real values of x, except for the case when $2 - x = 0$ or $x = 2$.

Domain (f) =
$$R - \{2\}$$

We have,
$$f(x) = (x-2)/(2-x)$$

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

= -1

When
$$x \neq 2$$
, $f(x) = -1$

$$\therefore$$
 Range (f) = $\{-1\}$

(vi)
$$f(x) = |x-1|$$

we know $|x| = \begin{cases} -x, & x < 0 \\ x, & x \ge 0 \end{cases}$

Now we have,

$$|x - 1| = \begin{cases} -(x - 1), x - 1 < 0 \\ x - 1, x - 1 \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = |x - 1| = \begin{cases} 1 - x, x < 1 \\ x - 1, x \ge 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = |x - 1| = \begin{cases} 1 - x, & x < 1 \\ x - 1, & x \ge 1 \end{cases}$$

Hence, f(x) is defined for all real numbers x.

Domain
$$(f) = R$$

When,
$$x < 1$$
, we have $x - 1 < 0$ or $1 - x > 0$.

$$|x-1| > 0 \Rightarrow f(x) > 0$$

When, $x \ge 1$, we have $x - 1 \ge 0$.

$$|x-1| \ge 0 \Rightarrow f(x) \ge 0$$

$$f(x) \ge 0 \text{ or } f(x) \in [0, \infty)$$

Range (f) =
$$[0, \infty)$$

(vii)
$$f(x) = -|x|$$



$$we\ know\ |x| = \begin{cases} -x, x < 0 \\ x, x \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

Now we have,

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

Now we have,

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

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

Hence, f(x) is defined for all real numbers x.

Domain (f) = R

When, x < 0, we have -|x| < 0

f(x) < 0

When, $x \ge 0$, we have $-x \le 0$.

$$-|x| \le 0 \Rightarrow f(x) \le 0$$

$$\therefore f(x) \le 0 \text{ or } f(x) \in (-\infty, 0]$$

Range (f) =
$$(-\infty, 0]$$

(viii)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{9-x^2}$$

We know the square of a real number is never negative.

f(x) takes real values only when $9 - x^2 \ge 0$

$$9 \ge x^2$$

$$x^2 \le 9$$

$$x^2 - 9 \le 0$$

$$x^2 - 3^2 \le 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-3) \le 0$$

$$x \ge -3$$
 and $x \le 3$

$$\therefore x \in [-3, 3]$$

Domain (f) =
$$[-3, 3]$$

When, $x \in [-3, 3]$, we have $0 \le 9 - x^2 \le 9$

$$0 \le \sqrt{(9-x^2)} \le 3 \Rightarrow 0 \le f(x) \le 3$$

$$f(x) \in [0, 3]$$

Range
$$(f) = [0, 3]$$



EXERCISE 3.4

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1. Find f + g, f - g, cf ($c \in R$, $c \ne 0$), fg, 1/f and f/g in each of the following:

(i)
$$f(x) = x^3 + 1$$
 and $g(x) = x + 1$

(ii)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{(x-1)}$$
 and $g(x) = \sqrt{(x+1)}$

Solution:

(i)
$$f(x) = x^3 + 1$$
 and $g(x) = x + 1$

We have $f(x): R \to R$ and $g(x): R \to R$

(a)
$$f + g$$

We know,
$$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$

$$(f+g)(x) = x^3 + 1 + x + 1$$

= $x^3 + x + 2$

So,
$$(f+g)(x): R \rightarrow R$$

$$\therefore$$
 f + g: R \rightarrow R is given by (f + g) (x) = $x^3 + x + 2$

(b)
$$f - g$$

We know,
$$(f - g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$$

$$(f-g)(x) = x^3 + 1 - (x + 1)$$

$$= x^3 + 1 - x - 1$$

$$= x^3 - x$$

So,
$$(f-g)(x)$$
: $R \to R$

$$f$$
: f - g: R \rightarrow R is given by (f - g) (x) = $x^3 - x$

(c) cf (
$$c \in R$$
, $c \neq 0$)

We know, (cf)
$$(x) = c \times f(x)$$

$$(cf)(x) = c(x^3 + 1)$$

= $cx^3 + c$

So, (cf)
$$(x): R \rightarrow R$$

$$\therefore$$
 cf: R \rightarrow R is given by (cf) (x) = cx³ + c

(d) fg

We know,
$$(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x)$$

So, (fg) (x):
$$R \rightarrow R$$

$$\therefore$$
 fg: R \rightarrow R is given by (fg) (x) = (x + 1)²(x² - x + 1)



(e)
$$1/f$$

We know,
$$(1/f)(x) = 1/f(x)$$

$$1/f(x) = 1/(x^3 + 1)$$

Observe that 1/f(x) is undefined when f(x) = 0 or when x = -1.

So,
$$1/f$$
: R – $\{-1\}$ \rightarrow R is given by $1/f(x) = 1/(x^3 + 1)$

(f) f/g

We know,
$$(f/g)(x) = f(x)/g(x)$$

$$(f/g)(x) = (x^3 + 1) / (x + 1)$$

Observe that $(x^3 + 1) / (x + 1)$ is undefined when g(x) = 0 or when x = -1.

Using
$$x^3 + 1 = (x + 1)(x^2 - x + 1)$$
, we have

$$(f/g)(x) = [(x+1)(x^2-x+1)/(x+1)]$$

= $x^2 - x + 1$

$$\therefore f/g: R - \{-1\} \rightarrow R \text{ is given by } (f/g)(x) = x^2 - x + 1$$

(ii)
$$f(x) = \sqrt{(x-1)}$$
 and $g(x) = \sqrt{(x+1)}$

We have $f(x): [1, \infty) \to R^+$ and $g(x): [-1, \infty) \to R^+$ as real square root is defined only for non-negative numbers.

(a) f + g

We know,
$$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$

$$(f+g)(x) = \sqrt{(x-1)} + \sqrt{(x+1)}$$

Domain of $(f + g) = Domain of f \cap Domain of g$

Domain of
$$(f+g) = [1, \infty) \cap [-1, \infty)$$

Domain of
$$(f + g) = [1, \infty)$$

$$\therefore f + g: [1, \infty) \to R \text{ is given by } (f+g)(x) = \sqrt{(x-1)} + \sqrt{(x+1)}$$

(b) f - g

We know,
$$(f - g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$$

(f-g) (x) =
$$\sqrt{(x-1)} - \sqrt{(x+1)}$$

Domain of $(f - g) = Domain of f \cap Domain of g$

Domain of
$$(f - g) = [1, \infty) \cap [-1, \infty)$$

Domain of
$$(f-g) = [1, \infty)$$

$$f - g: [1, \infty) \to R$$
 is given by $(f-g)(x) = \sqrt{(x-1)} - \sqrt{(x+1)}$

(c) cf (c \in R, c \neq 0)

We know, (cf)
$$(x) = c \times f(x)$$

(cf) (x) =
$$c\sqrt{(x-1)}$$

Domain of (cf) = Domain of f



Domain of (cf) = $[1, \infty)$ \therefore cf: $[1, \infty) \rightarrow R$ is given by (cf) $(x) = c\sqrt{(x-1)}$

(d) fg

We know, (fg)(x) = f(x) g(x)

(fg) (x) =
$$\sqrt{(x-1)} \sqrt{(x+1)}$$

= $\sqrt{(x^2-1)}$

Domain of (fg) = Domain of $f \cap Domain of g$

Domain of (fg) = $[1, \infty) \cap [-1, \infty)$

Domain of (fg) = $[1, \infty)$

∴ fg: $[1, \infty)$ → R is given by (fg) $(x) = \sqrt{(x^2 - 1)}$

(e) 1/f

We know, (1/f)(x) = 1/f(x)

 $(1/f)(x) = 1/\sqrt{(x-1)}$

Domain of (1/f) = Domain of f

Domain of $(1/f) = [1, \infty)$

Observe that $1/\sqrt{(x-1)}$ is also undefined when x-1=0 or x=1.

 $\therefore 1/f: (1, \infty) \to R \text{ is given by } (1/f)(x) = 1/\sqrt{(x-1)}$

(f) f/g

We know, (f/g)(x) = f(x)/g(x)

 $(f/g)(x) = \sqrt{(x-1)}/\sqrt{(x+1)}$

 $(f/g)(x) = \sqrt{(x-1)/(x+1)}$

Domain of $(f/g) = Domain of f \cap Domain of g$

Domain of $(f/g) = [1, \infty) \cap [-1, \infty)$

Domain of $(f/g) = [1, \infty)$

 $\therefore f/g: [1, \infty) \to R \text{ is given by } (f/g)(x) = \sqrt{(x-1)/(x+1)}$

2. Let f(x) = 2x + 5 and $g(x) = x^2 + x$. Describe

(i) f + g

(ii) $\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{g}$

(iii) fg

(iv) f/g

Find the domain in each case.

Solution:

Given:

$$f(x) = 2x + 5$$
 and $g(x) = x^2 + x$

Both f(x) and g(x) are defined for all $x \in R$.



So, domain of f = domain of g = R

(i)
$$f + g$$

We know,
$$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$

$$(f+g)(x) = 2x + 5 + x^2 + x$$

= $x^2 + 3x + 5$

(f+g)(x) Is defined for all real numbers x.

 \therefore The domain of (f + g) is R

(ii)
$$f - g$$

We know,
$$(f-g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$$

$$(f-g)(x) = 2x + 5 - (x^2 + x)$$

= 2x + 5 - x² - x
= 5 + x - x²

(f-g)(x) is defined for all real numbers x.

 \therefore The domain of (f-g) is R

(iii) fg

We know,
$$(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x)$$

$$(fg)(x) = (2x + 5)(x^{2} + x)$$

$$= 2x(x^{2} + x) + 5(x^{2} + x)$$

$$= 2x^{3} + 2x^{2} + 5x^{2} + 5x$$

$$= 2x^{3} + 7x^{2} + 5x$$

(fg)(x) is defined for all real numbers x.

: The domain of fg is R

(iv) f/g

We know,
$$(f/g)(x) = f(x)/g(x)$$

$$(f/g)(x) = (2x+5)/(x^2+x)$$

(f/g) (x) is defined for all real values of x, except for the case when $x^2 + x = 0$.

$$x^2 + x = 0$$

$$x(x + 1) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \text{ or } x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \text{ or } -1$$

When x = 0 or -1, (f/g)(x) will be undefined as the division result will be indeterminate.

 \therefore The domain of f/g = R - $\{-1, 0\}$

f(|x|) + |f(x)|. Find g(x).

3. If f(x) be defined on [-2, 2] and is given by
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1, -2 \le x \le 0 \\ x - 1, 0 < x \le 2 \end{cases} \text{ and } g(x) = f(|x|) + |f(x)|. \text{ Find } g(x)$$



Solution:

Given:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1, -2 \le x \le 0 \\ x - 1, 0 < x \le 2 \end{cases}$$
 and

$$g(x) = f(|x|) + |f(x)|$$

Now we have,

$$f(|x|) = \begin{cases} -1, -2 \le |x| \le 0\\ |x| - 1, 0 < |x| \le 2 \end{cases}$$

However, $|\mathbf{x}| \ge 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{f}(|\mathbf{x}|) = |\mathbf{x}| - 1$ when $0 \le |\mathbf{x}| \le 2$

We also have

$$|f(x)| = \begin{cases} |-1|, -2 \le x \le 0 \\ |x-1|, 0 < x \le 2 \end{cases}$$
$$= \begin{cases} 1, -2 \le x \le 0 \\ |x-1|, 0 < x \le 2 \end{cases}$$

We also know.

$$|x-1| = \begin{cases} -(x-1), x-1 < 0 \\ x-1, x-1 \ge 0 \end{cases}$$
$$= \begin{cases} -(x-1), x < 1 \\ x-1, x \ge 1 \end{cases}$$

Here, we shall only the range between
$$[0, 2]$$
. $|x-1| = \begin{cases} -(x-1), 0 < x < 1 \\ x-1, 1 \le x \le 2 \end{cases}$

Substituting this value of |x-1| in |f(x)|, we get

$$|f(x)| = \begin{cases} 1, -2 \le x \le 0 \\ -(x-1), 0 < x < 1 \\ x - 1, 1 \le x \le 2 \end{cases}$$
$$= \begin{cases} 1, -2 \le x \le 0 \\ 1 - x, 0 < x < 1 \\ x - 1, 1 \le x \le 2 \end{cases}$$

Now, we need to find g(x)

$$g(x) = f(|x|) + |f(x)|$$

$$= |\mathbf{x}| - 1 \text{ when } 0 < |\mathbf{x}| \le 2 + \begin{cases} 1, -2 \le x \le 0\\ 1 - x, 0 < x < 1\\ x - 1, 1 \le x \le 2 \end{cases}$$



$$g(x) = \begin{cases} -x - 1, -2 \le x \le 0 \\ x - 1, 0 < x < 1 \end{cases} + \begin{cases} 1, -2 \le x \le 0 \\ 1 - x, 0 < x < 1 \end{cases}$$
$$x - 1, 1 \le x \le 2 \qquad \begin{cases} x - 1, 1 \le x \le 2 \end{cases}$$
$$= \begin{cases} -x - 1 + 1, -2 \le x \le 0 \\ x - 1 + 1 - x, 0 < x < 1 \end{cases}$$
$$x - 1 + x - 1, 1 \le x \le 2$$
$$= \begin{cases} -x, -2 \le x \le 0 \\ 0, 0 < x < 1 \\ 2(x - 1), 1 \le x \le 2 \end{cases}$$

- 4. Let f, g be two real functions defined by $f(x) = \sqrt{(x+1)}$ and $g(x) = \sqrt{(9-x^2)}$. Then, describe each of the following functions.
- (i) f + g
- (ii) g f
- (iii) fg
- (iv) f/g
- (v) g/f
- (vi) $2f \sqrt{5g}$
- $(vii) f^2 + 7f$
- (viii) 5/g

Solution:

Given:

$$f(x) = \sqrt{(x+1)}$$
 and $g(x) = \sqrt{(9-x^2)}$

We know the square of a real number is never negative.

So, f(x) takes real values only when $x + 1 \ge 0$

$$x \ge -1, x \in [-1, \infty)$$

Domain of $f = [-1, \infty)$

Similarly, g(x) takes real values only when $9 - x^2 \ge 0$

$$9 \ge x^2$$

$$x^2 \le 9$$

$$x^2 - 9 \le 0$$

$$x^2 - 3^2 \le 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-3) \le 0$$



$$x \ge -3$$
 and $x \le 3$
 $\therefore x \in [-3, 3]$
Domain of $g = [-3, 3]$

(i)
$$f + g$$

We know, $(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$
 $(f + g)(x) = \sqrt{(x+1)} + \sqrt{(9-x^2)}$

Domain of f + g = Domain of f \cap Domain of g = $[-1, \infty) \cap [-3, 3]$ = [-1, 3]

:
$$f + g: [-1, 3] \rightarrow R$$
 is given by $(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) = \sqrt{(x+1)} + \sqrt{(9-x^2)}$

(ii)
$$g - f$$

We know, (g - f)(x) = g(x) - f(x)

$$(g-f)(x) = \sqrt{(9-x^2)} - \sqrt{(x+1)}$$

Domain of $g - f = Domain of g \cap Domain of f$

=
$$[-3, 3] \cap [-1, \infty)$$

= $[-1, 3]$

∴ g – f: [-1, 3] → R is given by
$$(g - f)(x) = g(x) - f(x) = \sqrt{(9-x^2)} - \sqrt{(x+1)}$$

(iii) fg

We know, (fg)(x) = f(x)g(x)

(fg) (x) =
$$\sqrt{(x+1)} \sqrt{(9-x^2)}$$

= $\sqrt{[(x+1)(9-x^2)]}$
= $\sqrt{[x(9-x^2)+(9-x^2)]}$
= $\sqrt{(9x-x^3+9-x^2)}$
= $\sqrt{(9+9x-x^2-x^3)}$

Domain of fg = Domain of f \cap Domain of g = $[-1, \infty) \cap [-3, 3]$

$$= [-1, \infty) \cap [-3, 3]$$

= $[-1, 3]$

: fg: [-1, 3]
$$\rightarrow$$
 R is given by (fg) (x) = f(x) g(x) = $\sqrt{(x+1)} \sqrt{(9-x^2)} = \sqrt{(9+9x-x^2-x^3)}$

(iv) f/g

We know, (f/g)(x) = f(x)/g(x)

(f/g) (x) =
$$\sqrt{(x+1)} / \sqrt{(9-x^2)}$$

= $\sqrt{[(x+1)/(9-x^2)]}$

Domain of f/g = Domain of f \cap Domain of g = $[-1, \infty) \cap [-3, 3]$

$$= [-1, \infty) \cap [-3, 3]$$

= $[-1, 3]$



However, (f/g) (x) is defined for all real values of $x \in [-1, 3]$, except for the case when $9 - x^2 = 0$ or $x = \pm 3$

When $x = \pm 3$, (f/g) (x) will be undefined as the division result will be indeterminate.

Domain of $f/g = [-1, 3] - \{-3, 3\}$

Domain of f/g = [-1, 3)

: f/g: [-1, 3)
$$\to$$
 R is given by (f/g) (x) = f(x)/g(x) = $\sqrt{(x+1)} / \sqrt{(9-x^2)}$

(v) g/f

We know, (g/f)(x) = g(x)/f(x)

$$(g/f)(x) = \sqrt{(9-x^2)} / \sqrt{(x+1)}$$

$$= \sqrt{[(9-x^2)/(x+1)]}$$

Domain of $g/f = Domain of f \cap Domain of g$ = $[-1, \infty) \cap [-3, 3]$

$$= [-1, \infty) \cap [-3, ...$$

= $[-1, 3]$

However, (g/f)(x) is defined for all real values of $x \in [-1, 3]$, except for the case when x + 1 = 0 or x = -1

When x = -1, (g/f)(x) will be undefined as the division result will be indeterminate.

Domain of $g/f = [-1, 3] - \{-1\}$

Domain of g/f = (-1, 3]

: g/f: (-1, 3]
$$\to$$
 R is given by (g/f) (x) = g(x)/f(x) = $\sqrt{(9-x^2)} / \sqrt{(x+1)}$

(vi)
$$2f - \sqrt{5g}$$

We know, $(2f - \sqrt{5}g)(x) = 2f(x) - \sqrt{5}g(x)$

$$(2f - \sqrt{5g})(x) = 2f(x) - \sqrt{5g}(x)$$

= $2\sqrt{(x+1)} - \sqrt{5}\sqrt{(9-x^2)}$
= $2\sqrt{(x+1)} - \sqrt{(45-5x^2)}$

Domain of 2f - $\sqrt{5g}$ = Domain of f \cap Domain of g = $[-1, \infty) \cap [-3, 3]$

$$= [-1, \infty) \cap [-3, .$$

= $[-1, 3]$

$$\therefore$$
 2f - $\sqrt{5g}$: [-1, 3] \rightarrow R is given by (2f - $\sqrt{5g}$) (x) = 2f (x) - $\sqrt{5g}$ (x) = $2\sqrt{(x+1)}$ - $\sqrt{(45-5x^2)}$

(vii)
$$f^2 + 7f$$

We know, $(f^2 + 7f)(x) = f^2(x) + (7f)(x)$

$$(f^{2} + 7f)(x) = f(x) f(x) + 7f(x)$$

$$= \sqrt{(x+1)} \sqrt{(x+1)} + 7\sqrt{(x+1)}$$

$$= x + 1 + 7\sqrt{(x+1)}$$

Domain of $f^2 + 7f$ is same as domain of f.

Domain of $f^2 + 7f = [-1, \infty)$

:
$$f^2 + 7f$$
: $[-1, \infty) \to R$ is given by $(f^2 + 7f)(x) = f(x) f(x) + 7f(x) = x + 1 + 7\sqrt{(x+1)}$



We know, (5/g)(x) = 5/g(x)

$$(5/g)(x) = 5/\sqrt{9-x^2}$$

Domain of 5/g = Domain of g = [-3, 3]

However, (5/g) (x) is defined for all real values of $x \in [-3, 3]$, except for the case when $9 - x^2 = 0$ or $x = \pm 3$

When $x = \pm 3$, (5/g)(x) will be undefined as the division result will be indeterminate.

Domain of
$$5/g = [-3, 3] - \{-3, 3\}$$

= $(-3, 3)$

:.
$$5/g$$
: (-3, 3) \rightarrow R is given by (5/g) (x) = $5/g(x) = 5/\sqrt{9-x^2}$

5. If $f(x) = \log_e (1 - x)$ and g(x) = [x], then determine each of the following functions:

- (i) f + g
- (ii) fg
- (iii) f/g
- (iv) g/f

Also, find (f + g) (-1), (fg) (0), (f/g) (1/2) and (g/f) (1/2).

Solution:

Given:

$$f(x) = \log_e (1 - x) \text{ and } g(x) = [x]$$

We know, f(x) takes real values only when 1 - x > 0

$$x < 1, \therefore x \in (-\infty, 1)$$

Domain of
$$f = (-\infty, 1)$$

Similarly, g(x) is defined for all real numbers x.

Domain of
$$g = [x], x \in R$$

= R

(i)
$$f + g$$

We know,
$$(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$

$$(f+g)(x) = \log_e(1-x) + [x]$$

Domain of $f + g = Domain of f \cap Domain of g$

Domain of
$$f + g = (-\infty, 1) \cap R$$

= $(-\infty, 1)$

$$\therefore f + g: (-\infty, 1) \rightarrow R \text{ is given by } (f + g)(x) = \log_e(1 - x) + [x]$$

(ii) fg



We know, (fg)
$$(x) = f(x) g(x)$$

(fg) (x) =
$$log_e(1-x) \times [x]$$

= [x] $log_e(1-x)$

Domain of fg = Domain of f
$$\cap$$
 Domain of g = $(-\infty, 1) \cap R$ = $(-\infty, 1)$

$$\therefore$$
 fg: $(-\infty, 1) \rightarrow R$ is given by (fg) $(x) = [x] \log_e (1 - x)$

(iii) f/g

We know,
$$(f/g)(x) = f(x)/g(x)$$

$$(f/g)(x) = log_e(1-x)/[x]$$

Domain of
$$f/g = Domain of f \cap Domain of g$$

$$= (-\infty, 1) \cap R$$
$$= (-\infty, 1)$$

However, (f/g) (x) is defined for all real values of $x \in (-\infty, 1)$, except for the case when [x] = 0.

We have,
$$[x] = 0$$
 when $0 \le x < 1$ or $x \in [0, 1)$

When $0 \le x < 1$, (f/g) (x) will be undefined as the division result will be indeterminate.

Domain of
$$f/g = (-\infty, 1) - [0, 1)$$

$$=(-\infty,0)$$

$$\therefore$$
 f/g: $(-\infty, 0) \rightarrow R$ is given by $(f/g)(x) = \log_e(1-x) / [x]$

(iv) g/f

We know,
$$(g/f)(x) = g(x)/f(x)$$

$$(g/f)(x) = [x] / log_e(1-x)$$

However, (g/f)(x) is defined for all real values of $x \in (-\infty, 1)$, except for the case when $\log_e(1-x)=0$.

$$log_e(1-x) = 0 \Rightarrow 1-x = 1 \text{ or } x = 0$$

When x = 0, (g/f)(x) will be undefined as the division result will be indeterminate.

Domain of
$$g/f = (-\infty, 1) - \{0\}$$

$$=(-\infty,0)\cup(0,1)$$

$$\therefore g/f: (-\infty, 0) \cup (0, 1) \rightarrow R \text{ is given by } (g/f)(x) = [x] / \log_e(1 - x)$$

(a) We need to find (f + g) (-1).

We have,
$$(f + g)(x) = \log_e(1 - x) + [x], x \in (-\infty, 1)$$

Substituting x = -1 in the above equation, we get

$$(f+g)(-1) = \log_e (1 - (-1)) + [-1]$$

= $\log_e (1 + 1) + (-1)$
= $\log_e 2 - 1$



$$\therefore$$
 (f + g) (-1) = $\log_e 2 - 1$

(b) We need to find (fg) (0). We have, (fg) $(x) = [x] \log_e (1 - x), x \in (-\infty, 1)$ Substituting x = 0 in the above equation, we get $(fg) (0) = [0] \log_e (1 - 0)$ $= 0 \times \log_e 1$ \therefore (fg) (0) = 0

(c) We need to find (f/g) (1/2)We have, (f/g) $(x) = \log_e(1-x) / [x], x \in (-\infty, 0)$ However, 1/2 is not in the domain of f/g. \therefore (f/g) (1/2) does not exist.

(d) We need to find (g/f) (1/2)We have, (g/f) $(x) = [x] / \log_e (1 - x)$, $x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$ Substituting x=1/2 in the above equation, we get $(g/f) (1/2) = [x] / \log_e (1 - x)$ $= (1/2) / \log_e (1 - 1/2)$ $= 0.5 / \log_e (1/2)$ $= 0 / \log_e (1/2)$ = 0 $\therefore (g/f) (1/2) = 0$