

CBSE Class-12 Mathematics
NCERT solution
Chapter - 1
Relations & Functions - Exercise 1.2

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}_* ?

Ans. $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}, f: \mathbb{R}_* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_*$

Part I: $f(x_1) = \frac{1}{x_1}$ and $f(x_2) = \frac{1}{x_2}$

If $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ then $\frac{1}{x_1} = \frac{1}{x_2}$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

$\therefore f$ is one-one.

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) = y \quad \therefore f \text{ is onto.}$$

Part II: When domain \mathbb{R} is replaced by \mathbb{N} , co-domain \mathbb{R} remaining the same, then,

$$f = \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{If } f(x_1) = f(x_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n_1} = \frac{1}{n_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow n_1 = n_2 \text{ where } n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\therefore f$ is one-one.

But every real number belonging to co-domain may not have a pre-image in \mathbb{N} .

$$\text{e.g. } \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{2} \neq \mathbb{N} \therefore f \text{ is not onto.}$$

2. Check the injectivity and surjectivity of the following functions:

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\text{If } f(x_1) = f(x_2) \text{ then } x_1^2 = x_2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

$\therefore f$ is injective.

There are such numbers of co-domain which have no image in domain \mathbb{N} .

e.g. $3 \in$ co-domain N , but there is no pre-image in domain of f .

therefore f is not onto. $\therefore f$ is not surjective.

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

Since, $\mathbb{Z} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots\}$ therefore, $f(-1) = f(1) = 1$

$\Rightarrow -1$ and 1 have same image. $\therefore f$ is not injective.

There are such numbers of co-domain which have no image in domain \mathbb{Z} .

e.g. $3 \in$ co-domain, but $\sqrt{3} \notin$ domain of f . $\therefore f$ is not surjective.

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

As $f(-1) = f(1) = 1$

$\Rightarrow -1$ and 1 have same image. $\therefore f$ is not injective.

e.g. $-2 \in$ co-domain, but $\sqrt{-2} \notin$ domain \mathbb{R} of f . $\therefore f$ is not surjective.

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

If $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ then $x_1^3 = x_2^3$

$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$

i.e., for every $x \in \mathbb{N}$, has a unique image in its co-domain. $\therefore f$ is injective.

There are many such members of co-domain of f which do not have pre-image in its domain e.g., $2, 3$, etc.

Therefore f is not onto. $\therefore f$ is not surjective.

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

If $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ then $x_1^3 = x_2^3$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

i.e., for every $x \in Z$, has a unique image in its co-domain. $\therefore f$ is injective.

There are many such members of co-domain of f which do not have pre-image in its domain.

Therefore f is not onto. f is not surjective.

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 .

Ans. Function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, given by $f(x) = [x]$

$$\because 1 \leq x \leq 2, \quad f(x) = 1$$

$$\therefore f(1) = 1 \text{ and } f(1.1) = 1$$

$\therefore f$ is not one-one.

All the images of $x \in \mathbb{R}$ belong to its domain have integers as the images in co-domain. But no fraction proper or improper belonging to co-domain of f has any pre-image in its domain.

Therefore, f is not onto.

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 $-x$, if x is negative.

Ans. Modulus Function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, given by $f(x) = |x|$

Now $|x| = \begin{cases} -x, & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x, & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow f$ contains $(-1,1), (1,1), (-2,2), (2,2)$

Thus negative integers are not images of any element. $\therefore f$ is not one-one.

Also second set \mathbb{R} contains some negative numbers which are not images of any real number.

$\therefore f$ is not onto.

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.

Ans. Signum Function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, given by $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } x = 0 \\ -1, & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$

$f(1) = f(2) = 1$

$\Rightarrow f(x_1) = f(x_2) = 1$ for $n > 0$

$\Rightarrow x_1 \neq x_2 \therefore f$ is not one-one.

Except $-1, 0, 1$ no other members of co-domain of f has any pre-image its domain.

$\therefore f$ is not onto.

Therefore, f is neither one-one nor onto.

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.

Ans. $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{4, 5, 6, 7\}$ and $f = \{(1, 4), (2, 5), (3, 6)\}$

Here, $f(1) = 4$, $f(2) = 5$ and $f(3) = 6$

Here, also distinct elements of A have distinct images in B.

Therefore, f is a one-one function.

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

(i) $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = 3 - 4x$

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

Ans. (i) $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = 3 - 4x$

Now, if $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, then $f(x_1) = 3 - 4x_1$ and $f(x_2) = 3 - 4x_2$

And if $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$, then $x_1 = x_2 \therefore f$ is one-one.

Again, if every element of Y ($= \mathbb{R}$) is image of some element of X (\mathbb{R}) under f , i.e., for every $y \in Y$, there exists an element x in X such that $f(x) = y$.

Now $y = 3 - 4x$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3-y}{4}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 3 - 3 + y = y$$

$\therefore f$ is onto or bijective function.

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

Now, if $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, then $f(x_1) = 1 + x_1^2$ and $f(x_2) = 1 + x_2^2$

And if $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$, then $x_1^2 = x_2^2$

$\Rightarrow x_1 = \pm x_2 \therefore f$ is not one-one.

Again, if every element of Y ($= \mathbb{R}$) is image of some element of X (\mathbb{R}) under f , i.e., for every $y \in Y$, there exists an element x in X such that $f(x) = y$.

Now, $y = 1 + x^2 \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{y - 1}$

$\therefore f(\sqrt{y - 1}) = 1 + y - 1 = y \neq -y$

$\therefore f$ is not onto.

Therefore, f is not bijective.

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 a bijective function.

Ans. Injectivity: Let (a_1, b_1) and $(a_2, b_2) \in A \times B$ such that $f(a_1, b_1) = f(a_2, b_2)$

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

$\Rightarrow b_1 = b_2$ and $a_1 = a_2$

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

$\Rightarrow (a_1, b_1) = (a_2, b_2)$ for all $(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2) \in A \times B$

So, f is injective.

Surjectivity: Let (b, a) be an arbitrary element of $B \times A$. Then $b \in B$ and $a \in A$.

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

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

So, $f : A \times B \rightarrow B \times A$ is an onto function, therefore f is bijective.

9. Let $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be defined by $f(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{n+1}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{n}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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

Ans. $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be defined by $f(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{n+1}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{n}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$

(a) $f(1) = \frac{1+1}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$ and $f(2) = \frac{2}{2} = 1$

The elements 1, 2, belonging to domain of f have the same image 1 in its co-domain.

So, f is not one-one, therefore, f is not injective.

(b) Every number of co-domain has pre-image in its domain e.g., 1 has two pre-images 1 and 2.

So, f is onto, therefore, f is not bijective.

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.

Ans. $A = \mathbb{R} - \{3\}$ and $B = \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$ and $f(x) = \frac{x-2}{x-3}$

Let $x_1, x_2 \in A$, then $f(x_1) = \frac{x_1 - 2}{x_1 - 3}$ and $f(x_2) = \frac{x_2 - 2}{x_2 - 3}$

Now, for $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$

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

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 \therefore f \text{ is one-one function.}$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Therefore, f is an onto function.

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

Ans. $f(x) = x^4$ and $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Let $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, then $f(x_1) = x_1^4$ and $f(x_2) = x_2^4$

$$\therefore x_1^4 = x_2^4$$

$$\Rightarrow \pm x_1 = \pm x_2$$

Therefore, f is not one-one function.

Now, $y = x^4$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm y^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$\therefore f\left(y^{\frac{1}{4}}\right) = y^{\frac{1}{4}} = y \text{ and } f\left(-y^{\frac{1}{4}}\right) = -y^{\frac{1}{4}} = y$$

Therefore, f is not onto function.

Therefore, option (D) is correct.

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 3x_1 = 3x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

Therefore, f is one-one function.

Now, consider $y \in \mathbb{R}$ (co-domain of f) certainly $x = \frac{y}{3} \in \mathbb{R}$ (domain of f)

Thus for all $y \in \mathbb{R}$ (co-domain of f) there exists $x = \frac{y}{3} \in \mathbb{R}$ (domain of f) such that

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

Therefore, f is onto function.

Therefore, option (A) is correct.