

Q.16. Define composite function with suitable example.

Or Let $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and f and g be functions from X to itself given by $f = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 1)\}$ and $g = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 1)\}$. Find $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$. (2016)

Ans. Composite Function : Let f be a function from X to Y and let g be a function from Y to Z . Then, the composite of the function f and g denoted by $g \circ f$ is a mapping from X to Z defined by,

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g[f(x)] \quad \forall x \in X$$

For example, Given, $f : X \rightarrow X$ and $g : X \rightarrow X$

$\therefore g \circ f : X \rightarrow X$ defined by

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g[f(x)]$$

$$\therefore (g \circ f)(1) = g[f(1)] = g(2) = 2$$

$$(g \circ f)(2) = g[f(2)] = g(3) = 1$$

$$(g \circ f)(3) = g[f(3)] = g(1) = 1$$

$$\therefore g \circ f = \{(1, 2), (2, 1), (3, 1)\}$$

Ans.

$$\text{Similarly, } f \circ g = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 2)\}$$

Ans.

We see that

$$g \circ f \neq f \circ g$$

Q.17. Prove that the composition of any function with the identity function is the function itself.

Sol. Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a function and $I_A : A \rightarrow A$ be an identity function.

Since, $I_A : A \rightarrow A$ and $f : A \rightarrow B$, therefore $f \circ I_A : A \rightarrow B$.

Let $x \in A$, then $(f \circ I_A)(x) = f(I_A(x)) = f(x)$

(By definition of identity function)

$$I_A(x) = x, \quad \forall x \in A$$

$$\Rightarrow f \circ I_A = f$$

Also, $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $I_B : B \rightarrow B \Rightarrow I_B \circ f : A \rightarrow B$

Let $x \in A$ and let $f(x) = y$, then $y \in B$.

$$\text{Therefore, } (I_B \circ f)(x) = I_B(f(x)) = I_B(y) = y = f(x)$$

$$\text{Therefore, } I_B \circ f = f$$

$$\text{Hence, } f \circ I_A = I_B \circ f = f$$

Proved.

Q.18. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ are bijections, show that $(g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$. (2015)

Sol. Since f and g are one-one and onto, therefore they are bijective. Hence, $g \circ f : X \rightarrow Z$ is also bijective.

Therefore, $g \circ f$ is also invertible.

Let $x \in X$, then $\exists y \in Y$, such that $y = f(x)$... (i)

and let $z \in Z$, then $\exists y \in Y$, such that $z = g(y)$... (ii)

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g[f(x)] = g(y) = z$$

$$(g \circ f)^{-1}(z) = x$$

... (iii)

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$x = f^{-1}(y) \quad \text{and} \quad y = g^{-1}(z)$$

$$(f^{-1} \circ g^{-1})(z) = f^{-1}[g^{-1}(z)] = f^{-1}(y) = x$$

... (iv)

$$(f^{-1} \circ g^{-1})z = x$$

From Eqs. (iii) and (iv), we get

$$(f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}) = (g \circ f)^{-1}$$

Q.19. Let $f: R \rightarrow R$ and $g: R \rightarrow R$ be defined by $f(x) = x - 1$ and $g(x) = x^2 + 1$. Find $f \circ g(2)$, $g \circ f(2)$ and $g \circ g(2)$. Proved.
(2017)

Sol. Since, we have $f(x) = x - 1$ and $g(x) = x^2 + 1$

$$(i) f \circ g(x) = f[g(x)] = f(x^2 + 1) = x^2 + 1 - 1 = x^2$$

$$\therefore f \circ g(2) = 2^2 = 4 \Rightarrow f \circ g(2) = 4$$

$$(ii) g \circ f(x) = g[f(x)] = g(x - 1) = (x - 1)^2 + 1 = x^2 + 2 - 2x$$

$$\therefore g \circ f(2) = (2)^2 + 2 - 2(2)$$

$$= 4 + 2 - 4 = 2 \Rightarrow g \circ f(2) = 2$$

$$(iii) f \circ f(x) = f[f(x)] = f(x - 1) = (x - 1) - 1 = x - 2$$

$$\therefore f \circ f(2) = 2 - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow f \circ f(2) = 0$$

$$(iv) g \circ g(x) = g[g(x)] = g(x^2 + 1)$$

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

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

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

$$\therefore g \circ g(2) = (2)^4 + 2(2)^2 + 2$$

$$= 16 + 8 + 2 = 26$$

or $g \circ g(2) = 26$

Q.20. If $f(x) = \log\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)$, then show that $f(x) + f(y) = f\left(\frac{x+y}{1+xy}\right)$. Ans.
(2018)

Sol. Given,

$$f(x) = \log\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right) \quad \dots(i)$$

and

$$f(y) = \log\left(\frac{1+y}{1-y}\right) \quad \dots(ii)$$

Adding Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

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

$$= \log\left[\frac{(1+x)(1+y)}{(1-x)(1-y)}\right] = \log\left[\frac{1+x+y+xy}{1-x-y+xy}\right] \quad \dots(iii)$$

Again,

$$f\left(\frac{x+y}{1+xy}\right) = \log\left[\frac{1+\frac{x+y}{1+xy}}{1-\frac{x+y}{1+xy}}\right]$$

$$= \log\left[\frac{1+x+y+xy}{1-x-y+xy}\right] \quad \dots(iv)$$

Using Eqs. (iii) and (iv), we conclude that

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

Proved.

Q.21. If $f(x) = x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2}$, show that $f(x) + f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 0$.

Sol. We have,

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

Now, we have to prove that $f(x) + f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 0$

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

and

$$f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{1}{x^2} - x^2$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) + f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) &= x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2} - x^2 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Proved.