

1.5 Algebra of functions (sums, Differences, products, Quotients)

Let $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be functions then:-

1. $f+g$ is a function such that $(f+g)(x)=f(x)+g(x)$
2. $f-g$ is a function such that $(f-g)(x)=f(x)-g(x)$
3. $f.g$ is a function such that $(f.g)(x)=f(x).g(x)$
4. f/g is a function such that $(f/g)(x)=f(x)/g(x)$, $g(x) \neq 0$

Notes: 1. $D_{f+g} = D_{f-g} = D_{f.g} = D_f \cap D_g$

2. $D_{f/g} = (D_f \cap D_g) / \{x \in D_g / g(x) = 0\}$

Ex(8) let $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}$ and $g(x) = \frac{x-1}{x}$ be functions find the domain of $f(x)$, $g(x)$ and

D_{f+g} , D_{f-g} , $D_{f.g}$, $D_{f/g}$

Solu. $D_f = R / \{-1\}$, $D_g = R / \{0\}$

$D_f \cap D_g = R / \{0, -1\}$

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

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

$$(f.g)(x) = f(x).g(x) = \frac{x}{x+1} \cdot \frac{x-1}{x} = \frac{x-1}{x+1}, \quad x \neq -1$$

$D_{f+g} = D_{f-g} = D_{f.g} = R / \{0, -1\}$

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

$D_{f/g} = D_f \cap D_g / \{x; g(x) = 0\}$

$$= R / \{0, -1\} / \{x; x^2 - 1 = 0\} = R / \{0, -1, 1\}$$

Def 1- $f(x)$ is an odd function if $f(-x) = -f(x) \Rightarrow f(x)$ is symmetric about the origin

2- $f(x)$ is an even function if $f(-x) = f(x) \Rightarrow f(x)$ is symmetric about the y-axis

Ex(9)

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

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

$\therefore f(x)$ is odd function

2. $f(x) = x^2 \cos x$

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

$\therefore f(x)$ is even function

Ex(10) $f(x) = x^2 + 2$

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

$f(x)$ is even function

Ex(11) $f(x) = x^3$

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

$f(x)$ is odd function