

Problem 4:

Domain of  $f(x) = \sin^{-1}x + \operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x$  is :

- (a)  $[-1, 1]$       (b)  $[1, \infty)$       ~~(c)  $\{-1, 1\}$~~       (d)  $\mathbb{R}$

Solution: for  $\sin^{-1}x$  domain is  $[-1, 1]$ .

for  $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x$ , domain is  $(-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)$ .

for  $f(x)$  to be defined, both  $\sin^{-1}x$  &  $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x$  should be defined.

So, we need to take the intersection of the domains of  $\sin^{-1}x$  and  $\operatorname{cosec}^{-1}x$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Required domain} &= [-1, 1] \cap ((-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)) \\ &= \{-1, 1\}. \end{aligned}$$