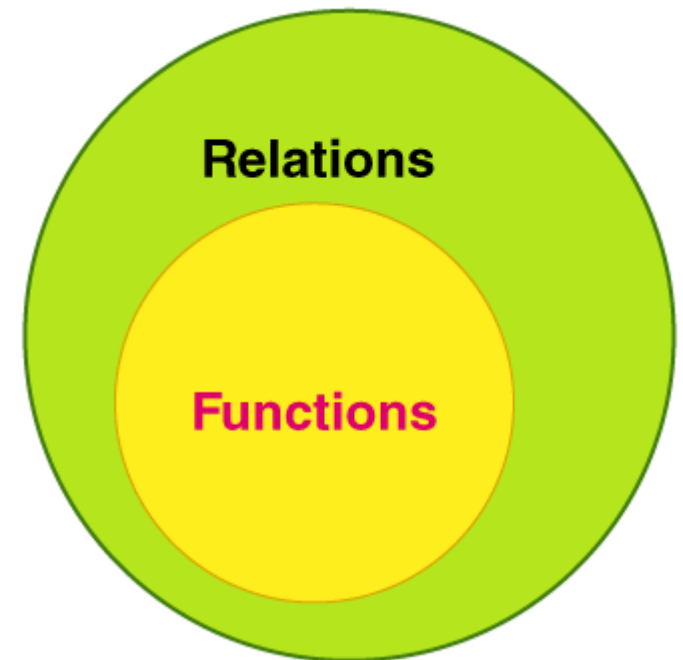


# Module-3

# RELATIONS AND FUNCTIONS

**PART - 6**

**FUNCTIONS**



**Note:**

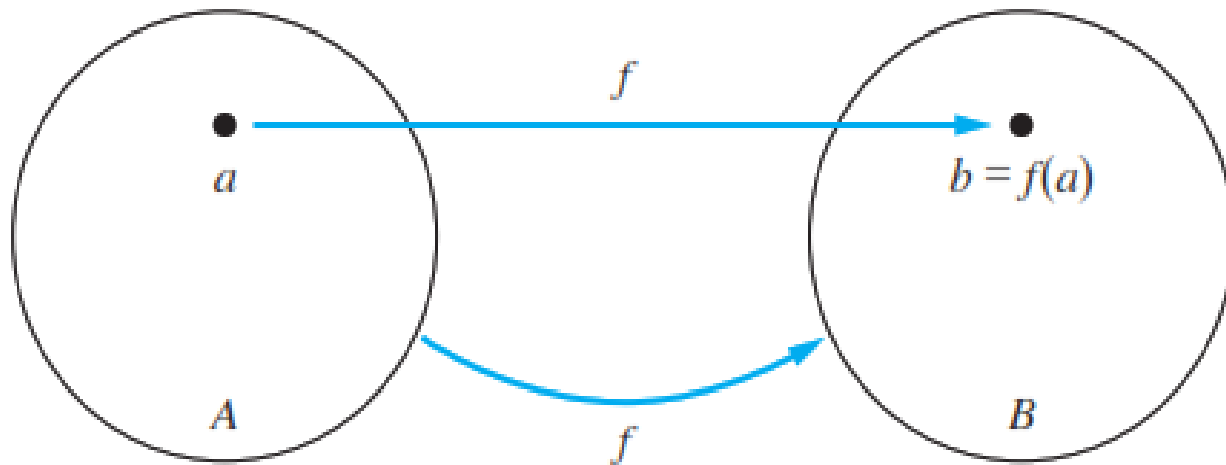
**All functions are relations, but not all relations are functions.**

# FUNCTIONS

**Definition:** Let A and B be any two non-empty sets. A relation  $f$  from set A to set B is denoted by  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and is said to be a function if

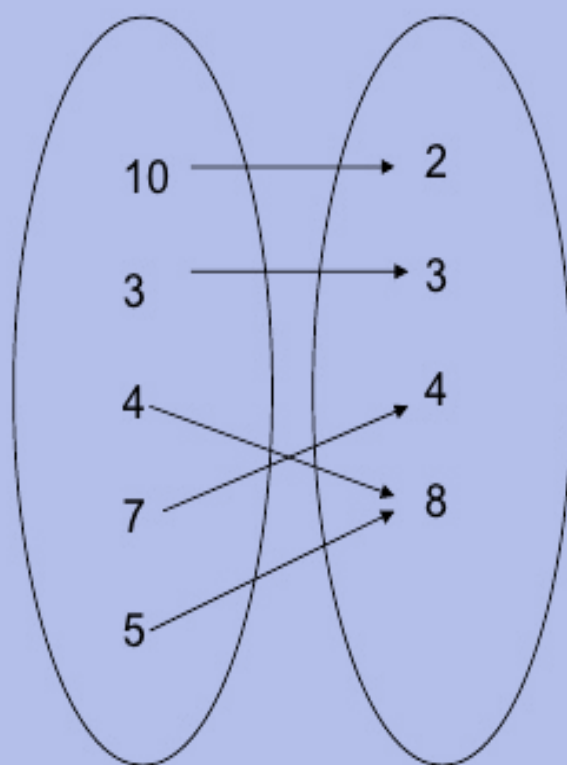
- (i) every element of set A is related to some element in set B.
- (ii) no element of set A related to two or more elements in set B.  
i.e., each element of set A is related to unique element in set B
- Here the elements of set A are called **domain** & the elements of set B are called **co-domain**.

If  $f$  is a function from  $A$  to  $B$  and  $(a, b) \in f$ , then  $f(a) = b$ , where  $b$  is called the **image** of  $a$  under  $f$  and  $a$  is called the **preimage** of  $b$  under  $f$ .

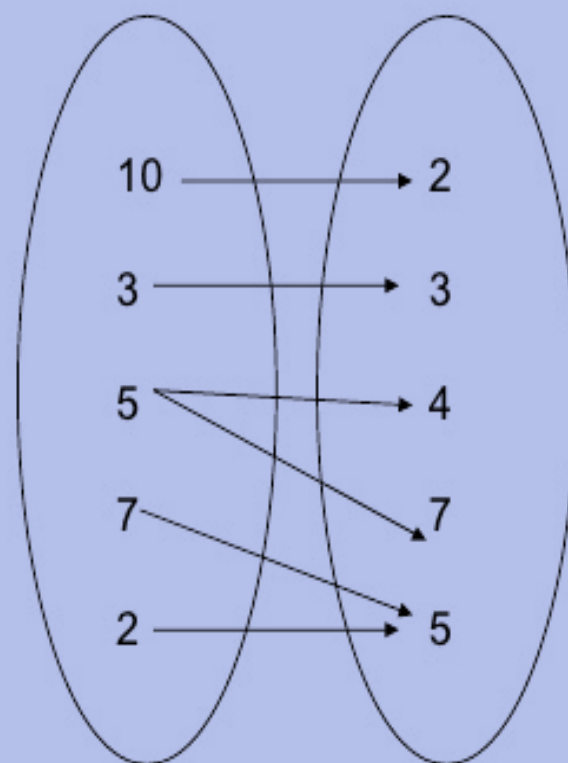


The set  $B$  consisting of the images of all elements of  $A$  under  $f$  is called the **range** of  $f$  and is denoted by  $f(A)$ .

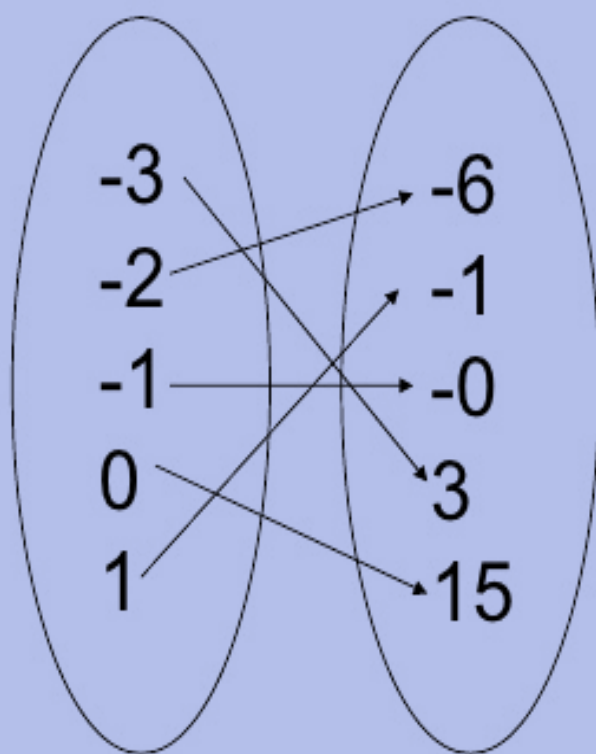
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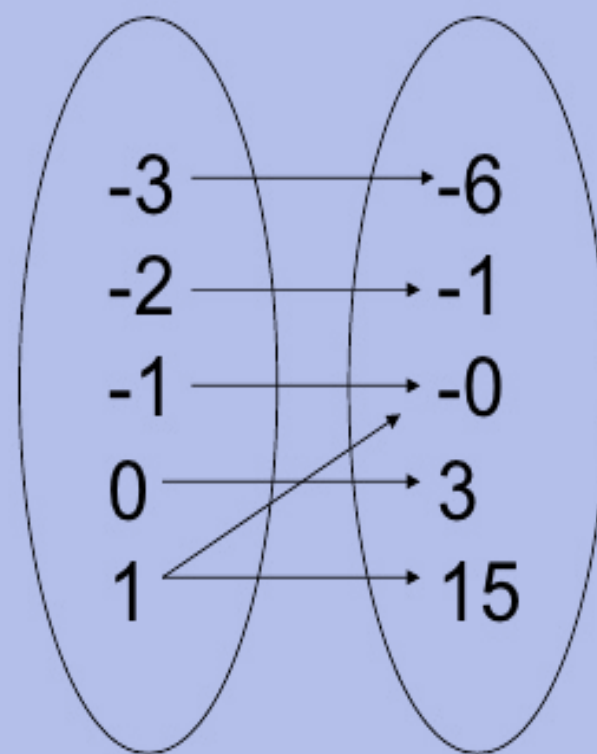
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## Definition:

Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a function and let  $A \subseteq X$  and  $B \subseteq Y$  then the **image of A** under  $f$  is defined as

$$f(A) = \{f(x) : x \in A\}$$

and the **pre-image of B** under  $f$  is defined as

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in X : f(x) \in B\}.$$

## Note:

If  $|A| = m$  and  $|B| = n$  then

- (i) the number of functions from A to B  $= n^m$  and
- (ii) the number of functions from B to A  $= m^n$ .

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $B = \{a, b, c, d\}$ . Which of the following relations are functions? Give reasons. If it is a function, determine its domain, co-domain and range.

(i)  $f : A \rightarrow B$  defined by  $\{(1, c), (2, b), (3, d), (2, a)\}$

(ii)  $g : A \rightarrow B$  defined by  $\{(1, c), (2, c), (3, d)\}$

(iii)  $h : A \rightarrow B$  defined by  $\{(1, a), (2, d), (3, c)\}$

(iv)  $k : A \rightarrow B$  defined by  $\{(1, a), (3, d)\}$

(v)  $l : B \rightarrow A$  defined by  $\{(a, 3), (b, 2), (c, 1)\}$

(vi)  $m : B \rightarrow A$  defined by  $\{(a, 2), (b, 1), (c, 3), (d, 1)\}$

(i)  $f$  is not a function because element 2 in set A is related to two elements in set B.

(ii)  $g$  is a function because every element of set A is related to some element in set B and each element of set A is related to unique element in set B.

Domain =  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ , co-domain =  $\{a, b, c, d\}$

and range =  $\{c, d\}$

(iii)  $h$  is a function because every element of set A is related to some element in set B and each element of set A is related to unique element in set B.

Domain =  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ , co-domain =  $\{a, b, c, d\}$  and

range =  $\{a, c, d\}$



(iv)  $k$  is not a function because every element of set A is not related to some element in set B.

(v)  $l$  is not a function because every element of set B is not related to some element in set A.

(vi)  $m$  is a function because every element of set B is related to some element in set A and each element of set B is related to unique element in set A.

Domain =  $\{a, b, c, d\}$ , co-domain =  $\{1, 2, 3\}$

and range =  $\{1, 2, 3\}$

Let  $A = \{1, 3, 5, 6, 8\}$ ,  $B = \{2, 4, 7, 8\}$ ,  $C = \{1, 2, 6, 7\}$  and  $D = \{3, 5, 6, 7\}$ . Which of the following relations are functions? Give reasons. If it is a function, determine its domain, co-domain and range.

(i)  $f : A \rightarrow B$  defined by  $\{(1, 2), (3, 8), (5, 8), (6, 4), (8, 7)\}$

(ii)  $g : B \rightarrow C$  defined by  $\{(2, 1), (4, 1), (4, 6), (7, 7), (8, 6)\}$

(iii)  $h : C \rightarrow D$  defined by  $\{(1, 6), (6, 6), (7, 7)\}$

(iv)  $k : A \rightarrow C$  defined by  $\{(1, 2), (3, 6), (5, 1), (6, 1), (8, 2)\}$

(i)  $f$  is a function because every element of set  $A$  is related to some element in set  $B$  and each element of set  $A$  is related to unique element in set  $B$ .

Domain =  $\{1, 3, 5, 6, 8\}$ , co-domain =  $\{2, 4, 7, 8\}$  and  
range =  $\{2, 4, 7, 8\}$



(ii)  $g$  is not a function because element 4 in set B is related to two elements in set C.

(iii)  $h$  is not a function because every element of set C is not related to some element in set D.

(iv)  $k$  is a function because every element of set A is related to some element in set C and each element of set A is related to unique element in set C.

Domain =  $\{1, 3, 5, 6, 8\}$ , co-domain =  $\{1, 2, 6, 7\}$

and range =  $\{1, 2, 6\}$

**Let  $A = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, 3\}$  and  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by  $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x + 1$  for  $x \in A$ , find the range of  $f$ .**

$$\text{Given, } f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x + 1$$

$$f(0) = 0 - 0 + 0 + 1 = 1$$

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

$$f(-1) = (-1)^3 - 2(-1)^2 + 3(-1) + 1 = -1 - 2 - 3 + 1 = -5$$

$$f(2) = 2^3 - 2(2)^2 + 3(2) + 1 = 8 - 8 + 6 + 1 = 7$$

$$f(-2) = (-2)^3 - 2(-2)^2 + 3(-2) + 1 = -8 - 8 - 6 + 1 = -21$$

$$f(3) = 3^3 - 2(3)^2 + 3(3) + 1 = 27 - 18 + 9 + 1 = 19$$

Range of  $f = \{1, 3, -5, 7, -21, 19\}$ .

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ ,  $B = \{6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$  and  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function defined by  $f = \{(1, 7), (2, 7), (3, 8), (4, 6), (5, 9), (6, 9)\}$ , determine  $f^{-1}(6)$  and  $f^{-1}(9)$ . Also, if  $B_1 = \{7, 8\}$  and  $B_2 = \{8, 9, 10\}$  find  $f^{-1}(B_1)$  and  $f^{-1}(B_2)$ .

By definition, we have

$$f^{-1}(x) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in B\}$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(6) = \{x \in A : f(x) = 6\} = \{4\} \text{ and}$$

$$f^{-1}(9) = \{x \in A : f(x) = 9\} = \{5, 6\}$$

By definition, we have

$$f^{-1}(B_1) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in B_1\}$$

$$f^{-1}(B_1) = f^{-1}(\{7, 8\}) = \{1, 2, 3\} \text{ and}$$

$$f^{-1}(B_2) = f^{-1}(\{8, 9, 10\}) = \{3, 5, 6\}.$$

**1. Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by**

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x - 3, & \text{for } x \leq 9 \\ x^2 - 4x + 7, & \text{for } 9 < x < 100 \\ \cos \pi x, & \text{for } 100 \leq x \end{cases}$$

**Determine  $f(7)$ ,  $f(8)$ ,  $f(9)$ ,  $f(10)$  and  $f(100)$ .**

By using the given definition of  $f$ , we find that

$$f(7) = 2(7) - 3 = 11,$$

$$f(8) = 2(8) - 3 = 13,$$

$$f(9) = 2(9) - 3 = 15,$$

$$f(10) = 10^2 - 4(10) + 7 = 67,$$

$$f(100) = \cos \pi(100) = 1.$$

**Let  $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be a function defined by**

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5, & \text{for } x > 0 \\ -3x + 1, & \text{for } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

- (i) Determine  $f(0), f(-1), f(5/3), f(-5/3)$ .**
- (ii) Find  $f^{-1}(0), f^{-1}(1), f^{-1}(-1), f^{-1}(3), f^{-1}(-3)$  and  $f^{-1}(-6)$ .**
- (iii) What are  $f^{-1}([-5, 5])$  and  $f^{-1}([-6, 5])$ ?**

(i) By using the given definition of  $f$ , we find that

$$f(0) = 0 + 1 = 1,$$

$$f(-1) = -3(-1) + 1 = 3 + 1 = 4,$$

$$f(5/3) = 3(5/3) - 5 = 0,$$

$$f(-5/3) = -3(-5/3) + 1 = 6.$$

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5, & \text{for } x > 0 \\ -3x + 1, & \text{for } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

(ii) Find  $f^{-1}(0), f^{-1}(1), f^{-1}(-1), f^{-1}(3), f^{-1}(-3)$  and  $f^{-1}(-6)$ .

(ii) By definition, we have

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in B\}$$

$$f^{-1}(0) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) = 0\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 3x - 5 = 0 \text{ and } -3x + 1 = 0\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x = 5/3 \text{ and } x = 1/3\}$$

$$x = 5/3 \text{ which is } > 0 \text{ and } x = 1/3 \text{ which is } \leq 0$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(0) = 5/3$$



**Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by**

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5, & \text{for } x > 0 \\ -3x + 1, & \text{for } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

**(ii) Find  $f^{-1}(0), f^{-1}(1), f^{-1}(-1), f^{-1}(3), f^{-1}(-3)$  and  $f^{-1}(-6)$ .**

(ii) By definition, we have

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in B\}$$

$$f^{-1}(1) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) = 1\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 3x - 5 = 1 \text{ and } -3x + 1 = 1\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x = 2 \text{ and } x = 0\}$$

$$x = 2 \text{ which is } > 0 \text{ and } x = 0 \text{ which is } \leq 0$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(1) = \{2, 0\}$$

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5, & \text{for } x > 0 \\ -3x + 1, & \text{for } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

(ii) Find  $f^{-1}(0), f^{-1}(1), f^{-1}(-1), f^{-1}(3), f^{-1}(-3)$  and  $f^{-1}(-6)$ .

By definition, we have

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in B\}$$

$$f^{-1}(-1) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) = -1\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 3x - 5 = -1 \text{ and } -3x + 1 = -1\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x = 4/3 \text{ and } x = 2/3\}$$

$$x = 4/3 \text{ which is } > 0 \text{ and } x = 2/3 \text{ which is } \leq 0$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(-1) = 4/3$$

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5, & \text{for } x > 0 \\ -3x + 1, & \text{for } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

(ii) Find  $f^{-1}(0)$ ,  $f^{-1}(1)$ ,  $f^{-1}(-1)$ ,  $f^{-1}(3)$ ,  $f^{-1}(-3)$  and  $f^{-1}(-6)$ .

By definition, we have

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in B\}$$

$$f^{-1}(3) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) = 3\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 3x - 5 = 3 \text{ and } -3x + 1 = 3\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x = 8/3 \text{ and } x = -2/3\}$$

$$x = 8/3 \text{ which is } > 0 \text{ and } x = -2/3 \text{ which is } \leq 0$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(3) = \{8/3, -2/3\}$$

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5, & \text{for } x > 0 \\ -3x + 1, & \text{for } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

(ii) Find  $f^{-1}(0), f^{-1}(1), f^{-1}(-1), f^{-1}(3), f^{-1}(-3)$  and  $f^{-1}(-6)$ .

By definition, we have

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in B\}$$

$$f^{-1}(-3) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) = -3\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 3x - 5 = -3 \text{ and } -3x + 1 = -3\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x = 2/3 \text{ and } x = 4/3\}$$

$$x = 2/3 \text{ which is } > 0 \text{ and } x = 4/3 \text{ which is } \leq 0$$

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

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5, & \text{for } x > 0 \\ -3x + 1, & \text{for } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

(ii) Find  $f^{-1}(0), f^{-1}(1), f^{-1}(-1), f^{-1}(3), f^{-1}(-3)$  and  $f^{-1}(-6)$ .

By definition, we have

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in B\}$$

$$f^{-1}(-6) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) = -6\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 3x - 5 = -6 \text{ and } -3x + 1 = -6\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x = -1/3 \text{ and } x = 7/3\}$$

$$x = -1/3 \text{ which is } \geq 0 \text{ and } x = 7/3 \text{ which is } \leq 0$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(-6) = \{\}$$

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5, & \text{for } x > 0 \\ -3x + 1, & \text{for } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

(iii) What are  $f^{-1}([-5, 5])$  and  $f^{-1}([-6, 5])$ ?

(iii) By definition, we have

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in B\}$$

$$f^{-1}([-5, 5]) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) \in [-5, 5]\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 3x - 5 \in [-5, 5] \text{ and } -3x + 1 \in [-5, 5]\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -5 \leq 3x - 5 \leq 5 \text{ and } -5 \leq -3x + 1 \leq 5\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq 3x \leq 10 \text{ and } -6 \leq -3x \leq 4\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq x \leq 10/3 \text{ and } 2 \geq x \geq -4/3\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -4/3 \leq x \leq 10/3\}$$

$$= [-4/3, 10/3]$$

Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5, & \text{for } x > 0 \\ -3x + 1, & \text{for } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

(iii) What are  $f^{-1}([-5, 5])$  and  $f^{-1}([-6, 5])$ ?

By definition, we have

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in B\}$$

$$f^{-1}([-6, 5]) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) \in [-6, 5]\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 3x - 5 \in [-6, 5] \text{ and } -3x + 1 \in [-6, 5]\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -6 \leq 3x - 5 \leq 5 \text{ and } -6 \leq -3x + 1 \leq 5\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -1 \leq 3x \leq 10 \text{ and } -7 \leq -3x \leq 4\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -1/3 \leq x \leq 10/3 \text{ and } 7/3 \geq x \geq -4/3\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -4/3 \leq x \leq 10/3\}$$

$$= [-4/3, 10/3]$$

**If  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function defined by  $f(x) = x^2$  then find the image of  $[-3, 7]$ .**

By definition, we have

$$f(A) = \{f(x) : x \in A\}$$

$$f([-3, 7]) = \{x^2 : x \in [-3, 7]\}$$

$$= \{x^2 : -3 \leq x \leq 7\}$$

$$= \{x^2 : -3 \leq x \leq 0\} \cup \{x^2 : 0 \leq x \leq 7\}$$

$$= [0, 49].$$



**If  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function defined by  $f(x) = 2x - 3$  then find the preimage of  $[-3, 8]$ .**

By definition, we have

$$f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in B\}$$

$$f^{-1}([-3, 8]) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) \in [-3, 8]\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 2x - 3 \in [-3, 8]\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -3 \leq 2x - 3 \leq 8\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq 2x \leq 11\}$$

$$= \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq x \leq 11/2\}$$

$$= [0, 11/2]$$

**If  $A = \{w, x, y, z\}$  and  $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$  then find the number of functions from A to B and from B to A.**

Here,  $|A| = m = 4$  and  $|B| = n = 3$

Number of functions from A to B  $= n^m = 3^4 = 81$

Number of functions from B to A  $= m^n = 4^3 = 64$ .

**Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function and C and D are non-empty subsets of B then prove the following:**

- (i)  $f^{-1}(C \cup D) = f^{-1}(C) \cup f^{-1}(D)$
- (ii)  $f^{-1}(C \cap D) = f^{-1}(C) \cap f^{-1}(D)$
- (iii)  $f^{-1}(C') = [f^{-1}(C)]'$

(i) Let  $x \in f^{-1}(C \cup D)$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(x) \in (C \cup D)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(x) \in C \text{ or } f(x) \in D$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in f^{-1}(C) \text{ or } x \in f^{-1}(D)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in f^{-1}(C) \cup f^{-1}(D)$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(C \cup D) = f^{-1}(C) \cup f^{-1}(D)$$

(ii) Let  $x \in f^{-1}(C \cap D)$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(x) \in (C \cap D)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(x) \in C \text{ and } f(x) \in D$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in f^{-1}(C) \text{ and } x \in f^{-1}(D)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in f^{-1}(C) \cap f^{-1}(D)$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(C \cap D) = f^{-1}(C) \cap f^{-1}(D)$$

(iii) Let  $x \in f^{-1}(C')$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(x) \in C'$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(x) \notin C$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \notin f^{-1}(C)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in [f^{-1}(C)]'$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(C') = [f^{-1}(C)]'$$