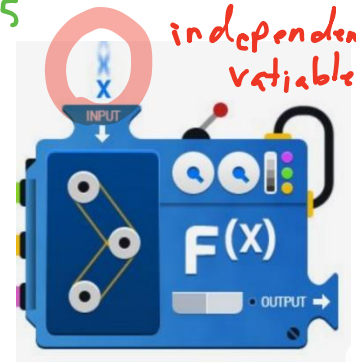


$$y = 2x + 5$$

independent variables



1.8 – Functions, Relations, Domain and Range

A **relation** is a set of ordered pairs (x, y) .

A **function** is a special type of relation. It can be represented in many ways:

i. as a set of ordered pairs

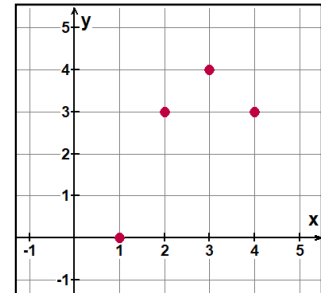
$\{ (1,0), (2,3), (3,4), (4,3) \}$

discrete

ii. as a table of values

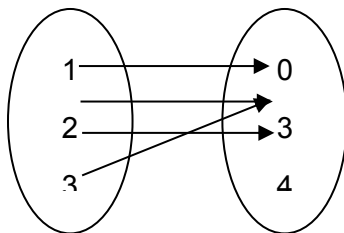
x	y
1	0
2	3
3	4

iii. as a scatter plot/graph



discrete

iv. as a mapping diagram



v. by an equation

$$y = -(x - 3)^2 + 4$$

Quadratic
vertex $(3, 4)$

vi. in words

Domain & Range

The **DOMAIN** is the set of first elements of the ordered pairs (the set of distinct **x values**)

- * **all possible values of x** looking left to right on a graph
- * **all possible input values** (usually x) which allows the function formula to work

The **RANGE** is the set of second elements of the ordered pairs (the set of distinct **y values**)

- * **all possible values of y** looking bottom to top on a graph
- * all possible output values (usually y) which result from using the function formula

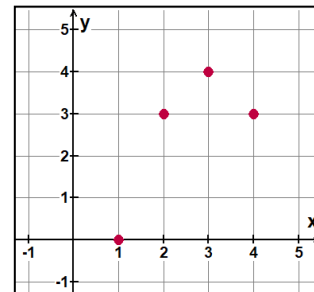
Discrete Relations (individual ordered pairs, not producing a continuous line/curve)

► Notation: Use $\{ , , \dots , \}$ and list all the unique values for each

Ex. 1 Consider the relation from above $\{ (1,0), (2,3), (3,4), (4,3) \}$

Domain: $\{ 1, 2, 3, 4 \}$

Range: $\{ 0, 3, 4 \}$



Continuous Relations (ordered pairs producing a continuous line/curve)

► Formal Notation: $\{ x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \neq 6 \}$

Informal Notation: $\{ x \neq 6, x \in \mathbb{R} \}$

such that

x is an element of the set of real numbers

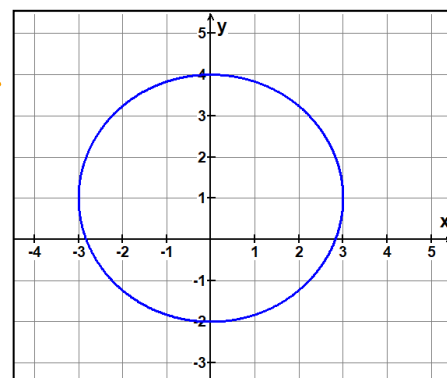
but x is not equal to 6

The set notation above contains three important pieces of information, and is mathematical shorthand for "**the set of all x such that x is an element of the set of real numbers, and x is not equal to 6.**"

Ex. 2 Consider the relations as defined by the graphs:

Domain: $\{ x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -3 \leq x \leq 3 \}$

Range: $\{ y \in \mathbb{R} \mid -2 \leq y \leq 4 \}$

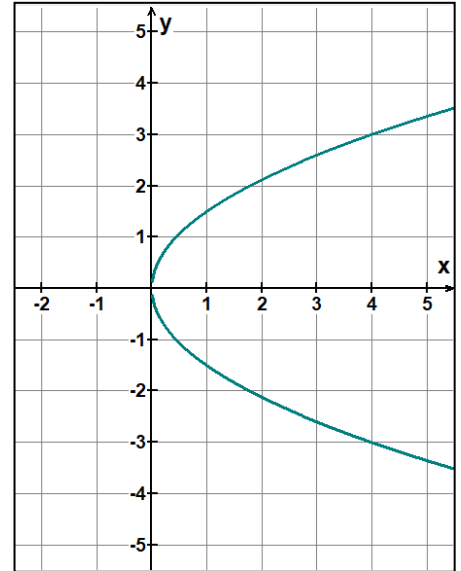


$>$ \geq $<$ \leq
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 or equal
 to

Domain: $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \geq 0\}$

Range: $\{y \in \mathbb{R}\}$

\mathbb{R} = Element Real number



A **function** is a relation in which each value in the *domain* corresponds to exactly **ONE** element of *range*. It is a set of ordered pairs in which, **for every value of x , there is only one value of y .**

So, a relation is **NOT** a function if one x value has 2 different y -values associated with it.

Note: More than one x -value can correspond to the same y -value.

There are two ways in which to determine if a relation is a function or not.

1. By looking at the ordered pairs → every x value can only have one y value

Ex. 3 Referring back to the earlier examples of relations (on the first page), are these relations functions?

a) $\{(1,2), (5,3), (9,4), (7,1)\}$

function

b) $\{(1,3), (4,2), (3,2), (6,5)\}$

function

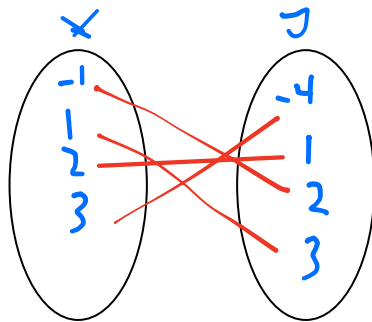
c) $\{(1,4), (3,2), (5,4), (3,1)\}$

Relation not a function

When $x=3$
 y is either
 2 or 1.

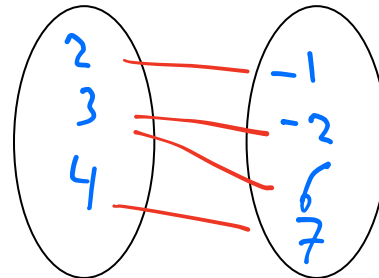
Ex. 4 Are the following relations functions? To help visualize your solution, create mapping diagrams for each.

a. $\{(2, 1), (3, -4), (-1, 2), (1, 3)\}$



Function

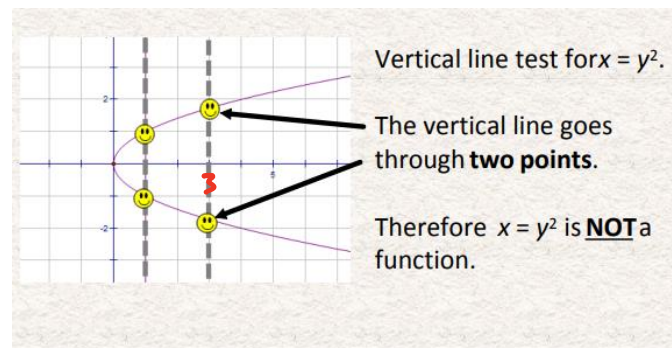
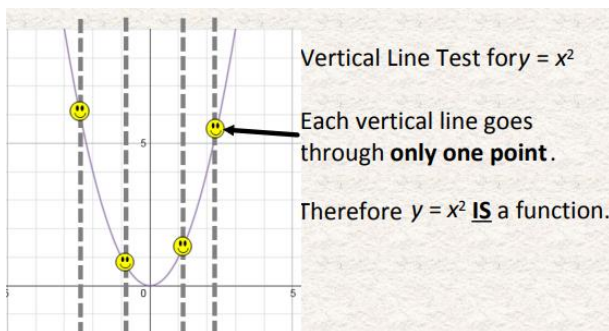
b. $\{(3, 6), (2, -1), (4, 7), (3, -2)\}$



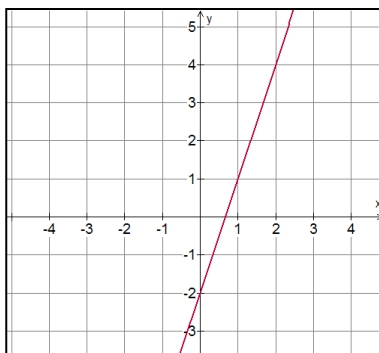
Not a function
∴ Relation

The **Vertical Line Test** on a graph. The Vertical Line Test states that a relation is a function if you can draw a vertical line through **ONLY ONE** point on the graph of the relation.

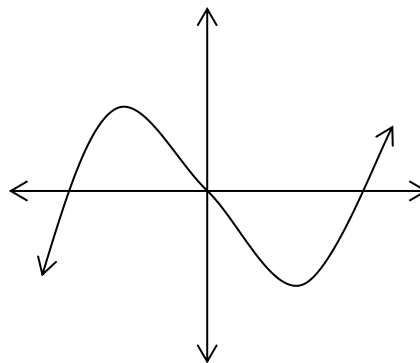
(If any vertical line passes through more than one point on the graph, then the relation is **not** a function)



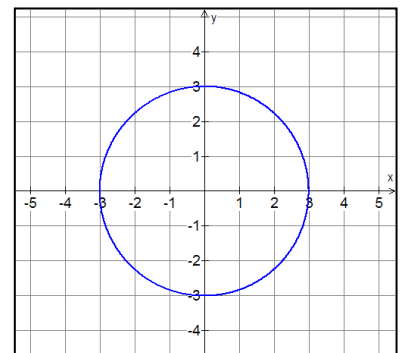
Ex. 4 Are the following relations functions? Do they pass the Vertical Line Test?



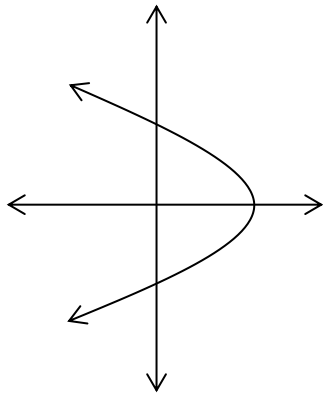
Function



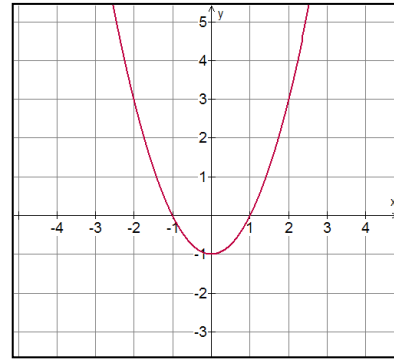
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Relation
Not function



Not a function
↳ Relation

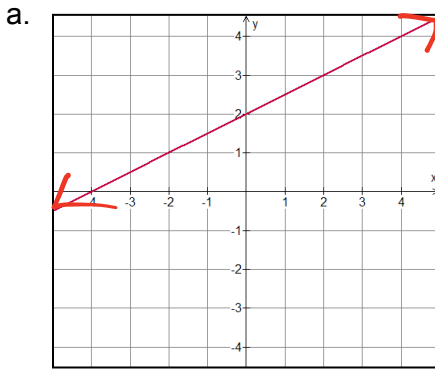


function



Functions & Relations ~ Worksheet

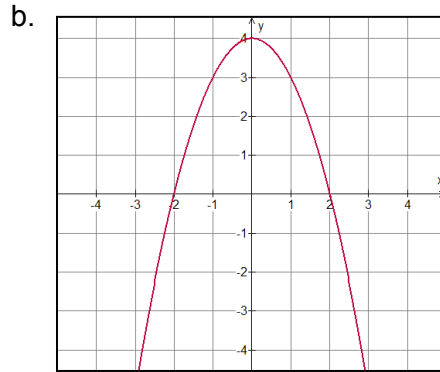
Given the following, state the domain and range of each relation and determine if the relation is a function.



Domain: $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \geq -4\}$

Range: $\{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid y \geq 0\}$

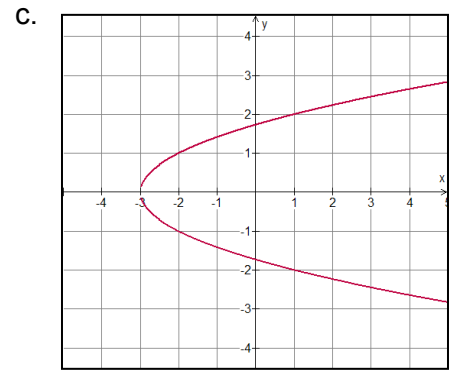
Function?: yes



Domain: $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \leq 2\}$

Range: $\{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid y \leq 4\}$

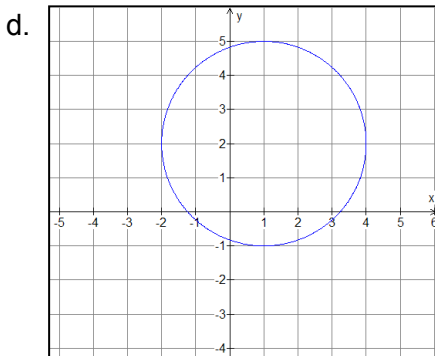
Function?: yes



Domain: $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \geq -3\}$

Range: $\{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid y \geq 0\}$

Function?: Relation



Domain: $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -2 \leq x \leq 4\}$

Range: $\{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid -1 \leq y \leq 5\}$

Function?: Relation

e. $\{(-2, -2), (-3, 3), (-4, 4), (-3, 5), (-1, 6)\}$

Domain: $\{-2, -3, -4, -1\}$

Range: $\{-2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

Function?: Relation

Domain

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