

Functions

- Used in programming languages.
- What is the mathematical basis of functions?
- A function may be defined by a formula that tells how to calculate the output for a given input.



Eg: $f(x) = x - 1$

(I) Definition of a Function

→ It is a special type of relation with following properties:

(a) $\forall x \in \text{Domain}$, there is a mapping.

(b) Unique image $\forall x \in \text{Domain}$.

Eg:

$$A = \{p, q\}$$

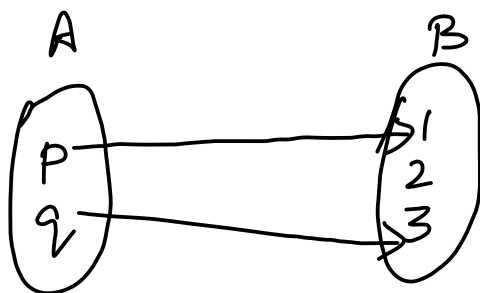
\hookrightarrow Domain

$$B = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

\hookrightarrow Co-Domain

$$F: A \rightarrow B$$

\hookrightarrow Mapping



$$\{p, q\}$$

\downarrow
Domain
or

Pre-image

$$\{1, 3\}$$

\hookrightarrow Range
or

Image

\rightarrow Let X and Y be two non-empty sets.

\rightarrow A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ where,

Set $X \rightarrow$ domain

Set $Y \rightarrow$ Co-domain

\rightarrow f maps every element $x \in X$ to the element $y \in Y$ and can be written as

$$\boxed{y = f(x)}$$

→ The element $y \in Y \} \rightarrow \text{Image of } x \in X$

→ The element $x \in X \} \rightarrow \text{Pre-image of } y \in Y$

→ The set of all image values $\{f(x): x \in X\}$ is called the range of f .

Note: Range is always a subset of co-domain

$\text{Dom}(f) \rightarrow \text{Domain}$

$\text{Ran}(f) \rightarrow \text{Range}$

Function denotes a mapping / transformation.

(4) Relation V/s Function

→ A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a special kind of relation $R: X \rightarrow Y$ if it satisfies the following additional properties:

1. Every element $x \in X$ has an image $y \in Y$.

2. One element of X can have only one image, that is

$\boxed{\text{if } (x, y) \in f \text{ and } (x, z) \in f \text{ then } y = z}$

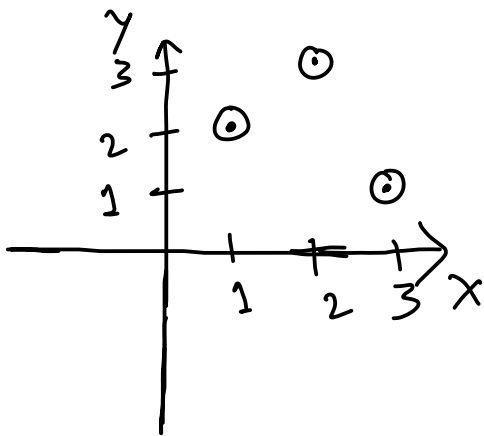
(b) Graphical Determination of a Relation as a Function.

- Use vertical line test.
- If the line intersects the graph of the relation at more than one point then not a function else a function.

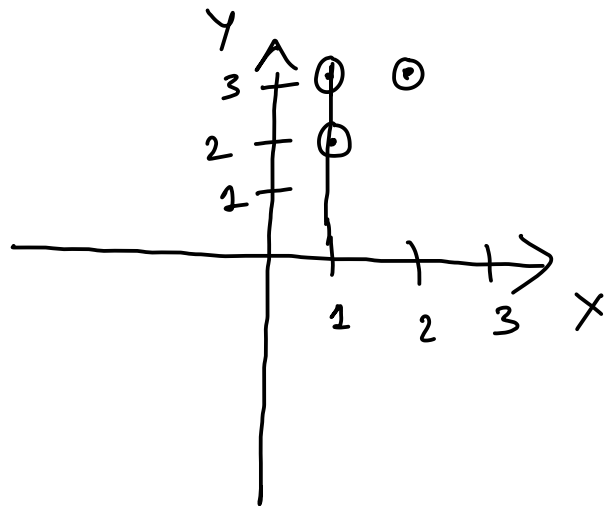
Eg: Let $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$

$$R_1 = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 1)\}$$

$$R_2 = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (1, 3)\}$$



R_1 is a function



R_2 is not a function

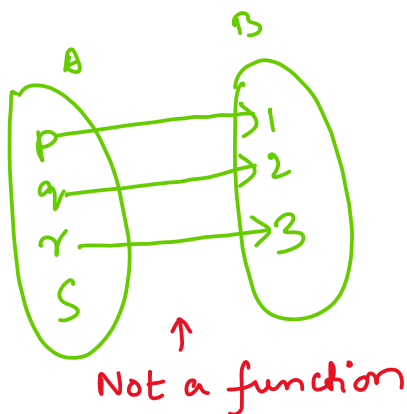
(c) Why do we need a function?

$\text{ADD}(2, 3) \rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{Guaranteed Result} \\ \text{Unambiguous Output} \end{cases}$
Result will always be 5 and not 1, 10, 20 etc.

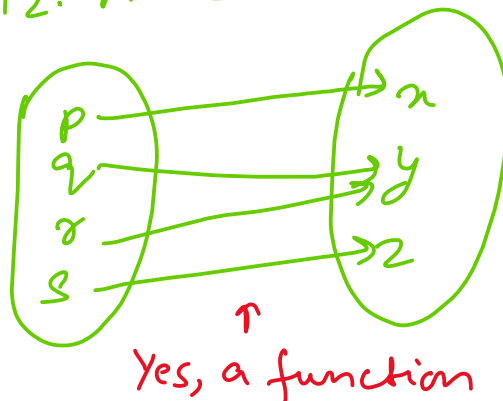
9) Determine which of the following are functions:

Let $A = \{p, q, r, s\}$, $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $C = \{x, y, z\}$

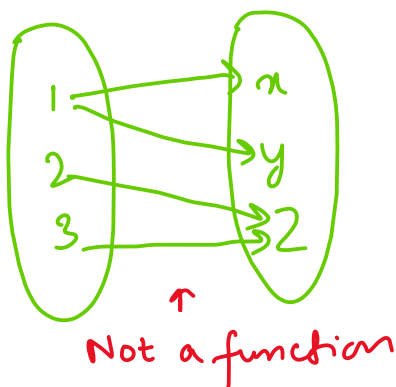
$F_1: A \rightarrow B$



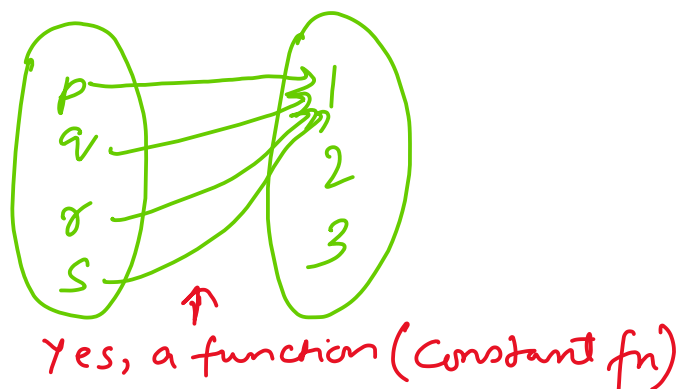
$F_2: A \rightarrow C$



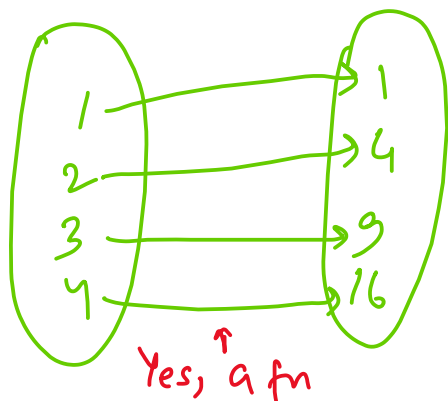
$F_3: B \rightarrow C$



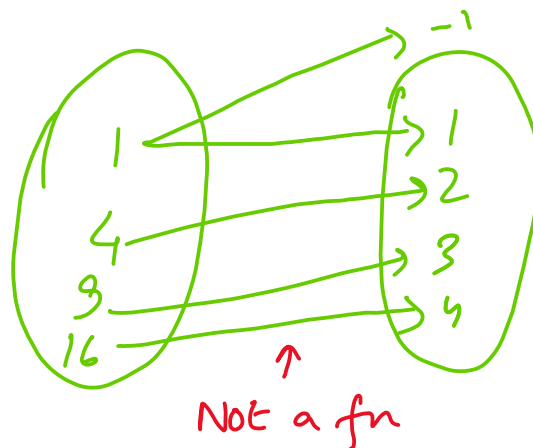
$F_4: A \rightarrow B$



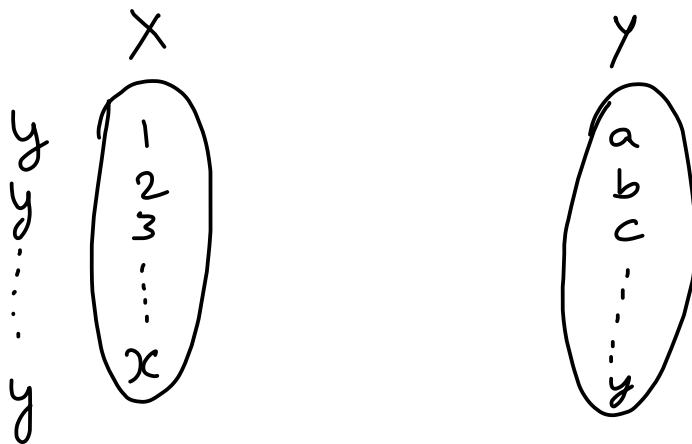
$F_5: \{(x, x^2) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$



$G = \{(x^2, x) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\}$



Q) How many functions are possible from a set of 'x' elements to a set of 'y' elements?



$$n(f) = yx \ yx \ yx \ \dots \ x \text{ times}$$

$$n(f) = y^x$$

(II) Types of Functions

(a) One-One Function

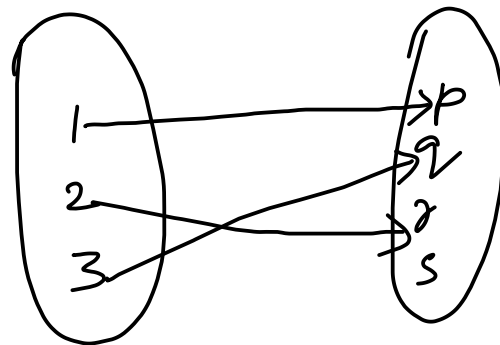
$f: X \rightarrow Y$ is one to one if

$$f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow (x_1) = (x_2)$$

or

$$(x_1) \neq (x_2) \Rightarrow f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$$

Eg:-



one - one

(Injection)

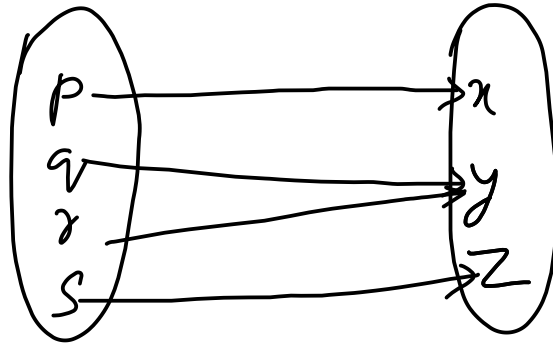
(b) Onto Function

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ is an onto function if

$$\text{Ran}(f) = Y \text{ i.e. for}$$

Each $y \in Y$, there is an $x \in X$ such that $f(x) = y$

Eg:-



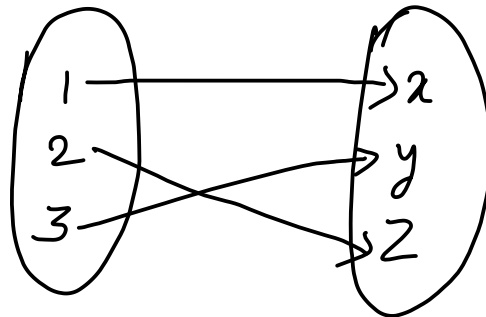
onto
(Surjection)

Note : Range = Codomain

(c) One - One Onto Function

- If it is both one-one as well as onto.
- Also called bijection.

Eg:-



Bijection

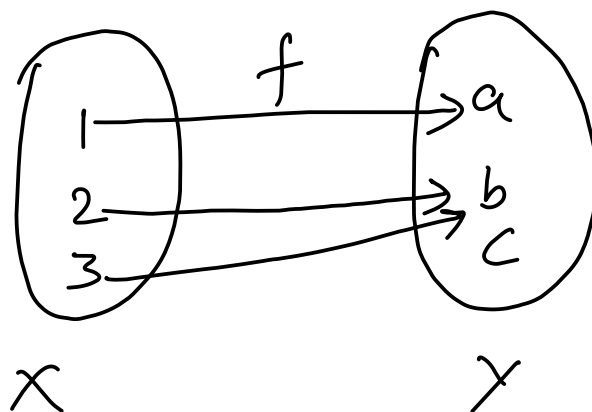
(d) Many - One Function

$f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a many to one if

$\exists x_1, x_2 \in X$ such that

$$x_1 \neq x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) = f(x_2)$$

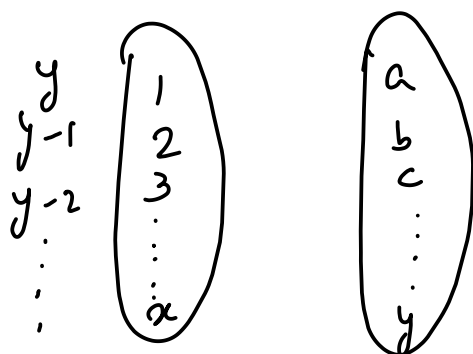
Eg :-



Many - one

Q) How many one-one functions are possible from a set of 'x' elements to a set of 'y' elements?

$$n(f) = y \times (y-1) \times (y-2) \times \dots \times (y-(x-1))$$



$$= {}^y P_x \text{ or } P(y, x)$$

$${}^n P_r \text{ or } P(n, r) = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

Q) How many one-one function are there from a set A with ' n ' elements onto itself?

$$f: X \rightarrow Y \quad n(f) = Y P_X$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ (x \rightarrow y) \\ \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} \\ \text{no. of elements} \end{array}$$

$$\therefore f: A \rightarrow A \quad n(f) = n P_n = \boxed{n!}$$

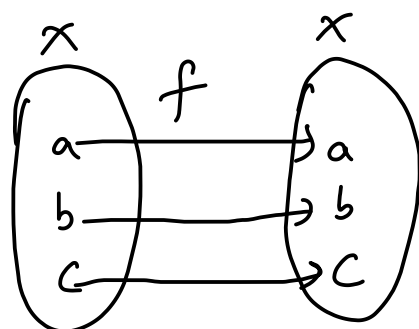
$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ (n \rightarrow n) \\ \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} \\ \text{no. of elements} \end{array}$$

(e) Identity Function

Let X be a non-empty set.

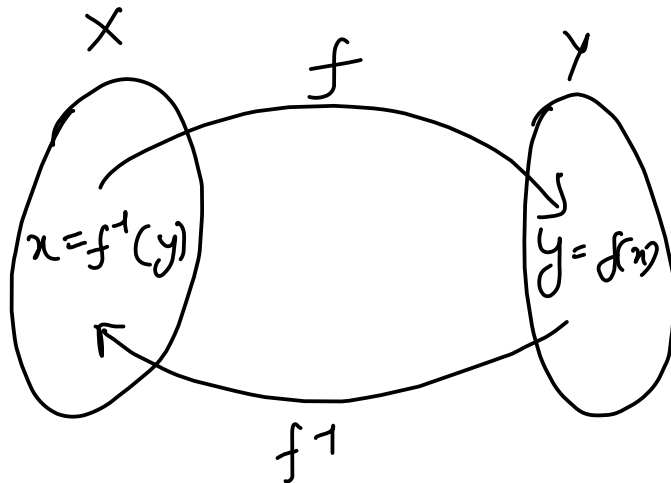
$I_X: X \rightarrow X$ is called an identity function

if $I_X(x) = x \quad \forall x \in X$



(f) Invertible Function

$f : X \rightarrow Y$ will be invertible if its inverse f^{-1} is a function from Y to X such that $\forall y \in Y$, f^{-1} assigns a unique value of X .



8) Check for $\boxed{f(x) = x^2}$ where $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ is invertible or not?

Note: (1) Inverse can be defined only for functions which are bijection.

(2) Not every function may have its inverse possible

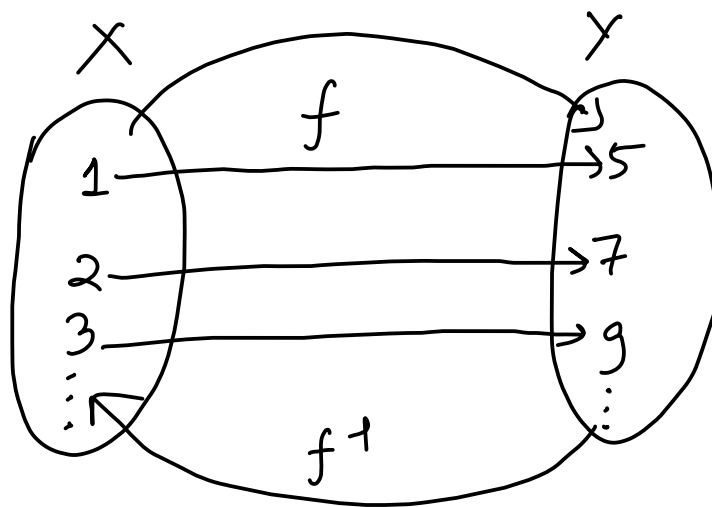
Q) Check whether $f(x) = (2x+3)$ is invertible or not for $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Given: $y = (2x+3)$ [Let $f(x) = y$]

$$\Rightarrow y - 3 = 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \left(\frac{y-3}{2} \right)$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{(y-3)}{2}$$



When $x=1$, $y = 2x+3 = 5$

$x=2$, $y = 2x+3 = 7$

$x=3$, $y = 2x+3 = 9$

\vdots

Yes, $f(x)$ is invertible.

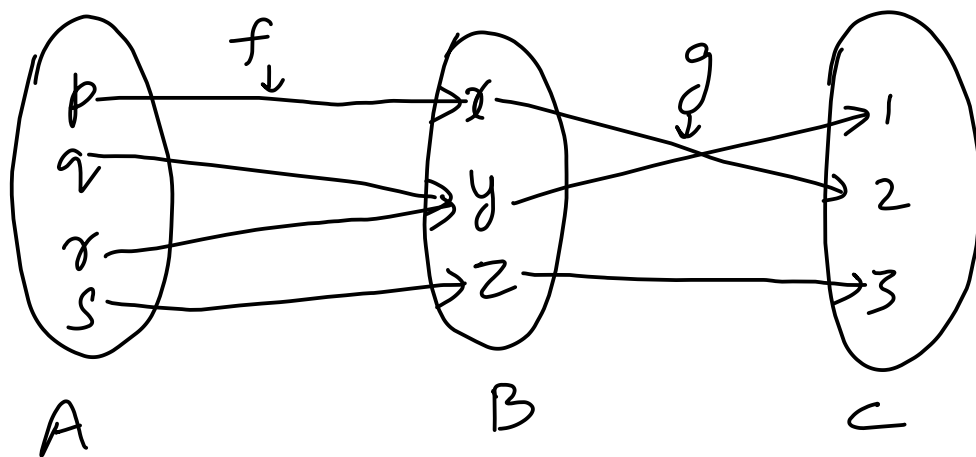
(III) Composition of Functions

→ Composition means function of a function

$$f: A \rightarrow B$$

$$g: B \rightarrow C$$

↳ 1st Codomain = Domain of 2nd



$$B = f(A), \quad C = g(B)$$

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

Therefore, if $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$

$$\text{then, } g \circ f = g(f(x)) \quad \forall x \in X$$

Q) Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be two functions defined as $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = 3x + 1$.

Find $g \circ f(x)$ and $f \circ g(x)$.

Also, determine whether $g \circ f(x) = f \circ g(x)$?

$$g \circ f(x) = g(x^2) = 3(x^2) + 1 = 3x^2 + 1$$

$$f \circ g(x) = f(3x + 1) = (3x + 1)^2 = 9x^2 + 6x + 1$$

$$\boxed{g \circ f(x) \neq f \circ g(x)}$$

Q) If $g(x) = (1-x)$ and $h(x) = \frac{x}{x-1}$ then,

$$\frac{g[h(x)]}{h[g(x)]} \quad \text{is}$$

(a) $\frac{h(x)}{g(x)}$ \nleftarrow Ans.

(b) $-1/x$

(c) $g(x)/h(x)$

(d) $x/(1-x)^2$

(IV) Sum and Product of Functions

Let f_1 and f_2 be functions from a set X to \mathbb{R} . Then $f_1 + f_2$ and $f_1 f_2$ are also functions from X to \mathbb{R} .

$$(f_1 + f_2)(x) = f_1(x) + f_2(x)$$

$$(f_1 f_2)(x) = f_1(x) * f_2(x)$$

Q) Let f_1 and f_2 be a function from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R} such that $f_1(x) = x + 2$ and $f_2(x) = x - 3$. Find $f_1 + f_2$ and $f_1 f_2$.

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 + f_2(x) &= f_1(x) + f_2(x) = x + 2 + x - 3 \\ &= 2x - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 f_2(x) &= f_1(x) * f_2(x) = (x + 2)(x - 3) \\ &= x^2 + 2x - 3x - 6 \\ &= (x^2 - x - 6) \end{aligned}$$

Q) Let f_1 and f_2 be functions from a set R to R such that $f_1(x) = x^2$ and $f_2(x) = x+1$. Find $(f_1 + f_2)(2)$ and $(f_1 f_2)(1)$.

(i) $(f_1 + f_2)(x) = x^2 + x + 1$

if $x=2$ then $2^2 + 2 + 1 = 7$ Ans.

(ii) $(f_1 f_2)(x) = (x^2)(x+1) = x^3 + x^2$

if $x=1$ then $1^3 + 1^2 = 1 + 1 = 2$ Ans.