
EXERCISES

1. Decide whether the following functions are *partial* or *total*:
 - (a) A function called *halve* which maps integers to integers so that any value which is in **ran** *halve* is exactly half of the corresponding value in **dom** *halve*.
 - (b) A function called *passport* that maps people to passport numbers.
 - (c) A function called *square* that maps integers to integers so that each value which is in **ran** *square* is the square of the corresponding value in **dom** *square*.
 2. Decide what category of function best models each of the following:
 - (a) The relationship between all the countries of the world and their capital cities.
 - (b) The relationship between the countries of Europe and their capital cities.
 - (c) The relationship between countries and their reigning monarchs.
 - (d) The relationship between countries and their currencies.
 - (e) The relationship between a month and its predecessor.
 - (f) The relationship between a month and its successor.
 - (g) The relationship between national flags and the countries to which they belong.
 3. Decide whether any of the following relations may be functions:
 - (a) *anagram* : letter_sequence \leftrightarrow letter_sequence
 - (b) *road_to* : town \leftrightarrow town
 - (c) *greater_than* : number \leftrightarrow number
 - (d) *has_number* : person \leftrightarrow phone_number
 - (e) *studies* : student \leftrightarrow subject
 - (f) *author_of* : person \leftrightarrow book
 4. Categorize each of the following relations as either a total function, a partial function or a relation which is not a function.
 - (a) *much_less_than* $\equiv \{ x, y : \mathbb{Z} \mid x < y - 99 \bullet x \mapsto y \}$
 - (b) The size of the population of each country of the world as a relation from countries of the world to the set of integers.
 - (c) The number of cars *owned* by a person as a relation from the set of people to \mathbb{N}_1 .
 5.
 - (a) If function *f* is a *bijection*, describe the kind of function that is the inverse of *f*.
 - (b) If function *f* is a *total injection*, describe the kind of function that is the inverse of *f*.
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6. Suppose COMPANY is a given set: $\text{COMPANY} = \{\text{bt}, \text{ici}, \text{glaxo}, \text{shell}\}$
 and share_price is a function: $\text{share_price} : \text{COMPANY} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$
 which models the share price of those companies which are members of COMPANY as
 a mapping from the set COMPANY to the set of natural numbers (in effect, the **range** of
 share_price gives the company share values in pence).

- (a) Suppose a regulatory committee bars bt from providing entertainment services
 over its phone-lines and the share price of bt consequently drops to 76 pence. If
 sharePrices is the value of the share_price function before the fall in bt shares and
 newSharePrices is the value after, write down an expression connecting
 sharePrices and newSharePrices .
- (b) If double is a function that maps any natural number onto a value which is twice
 the original value, write down a similar expression which will yield a doubling
 of the bt share price.

7. Explain using an example why $f \oplus g \neq (f \setminus g) \cup g$, for all f and g in $X \rightarrow Y$

8. A vending-machine offers the following selections:

Drink	Price (pence)
<i>Orange</i>	25
<i>Coffee</i>	30
<i>Cola</i>	20
<i>Tea</i>	15

- (a) If f is the function mapping *Drink* to *Price*, categorize f .
 (b) Write a formal expression for the price of *Cola* being increased to 35p.
 (c) If the price of *Cola* is changed to 25p, how will this affect the functional model?

9. Suppose f and g are functions given by:

$$f = \{(a, x), (b, y), (c, z)\} \text{ and } g = \{(1, a), (2, a), (3, c)\}$$

- (a) Determine $g \circ f$ as a set of ordered pairs.
 (b) If $h = g \circ f$, does h^{-1} exist?
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10.

(a) A Library system is to be modelled using the given sets:

- [BOOK] which contains, as elements, all the possible copies of books which are likely to appear on the Library shelves;
- [PERSON] which contains, as elements, all people ever likely to be members of the Library;
- [AUTHOR] which contains, as elements, all people who are ever likely to be the authors of the books owned by the Library;
- [TITLE] which contains, as elements, all book titles likely to appear in the Library catalogue;

and the derived sets:

- books* representing the set of book copies owned by a Library;
- on_loan* representing the set of books currently on loan;
- on_shelves* representing the set of books currently on the shelves;
- borrowers* representing the set of people with books on loan from the Library;
- members* representing the set of Library members.

Using these definitions, write expressions in set notation which are equivalent to the statements:

- (i) *A book owned by the Library is either on the shelves or on loan*
- (ii) *Only books owned by the Library can be on loan*
- (iii) *Only Library members are allowed to borrow books*
- (iv) *Borrowed books cannot still be on the shelves*

(b) Suppose *wrote* is a relation on the given sets AUTHOR and TITLE:

i.e. $_wrote_ : \text{AUTHOR} \leftrightarrow \text{TITLE}$

- (i) What sort of values would be contained in the sets **dom** *wrote* and **ran** *wrote*?
- (ii) *Thomas Hardy* wrote a book entitled *The Woodlanders*. Express that fact symbolically.
- (iii) If *lent_to* is a (partial) function declared by: $lent_to : \text{BOOK} \rightarrow \text{PERSON}$ write down an expression for the set of library books on loan to a particular person *p*. If *p* is not a member of *borrowers*, what does this expression denote?

11. At a particular bank, a person is allowed to open no more than one account. Suppose *accounts* is a function relating each customer at the bank to their account, while *balance* is a function relating accounts and account-balances (which are always in whole numbers of pounds).

If we have given sets [PERSON] and [ACCOUNT] representing, respectively, all possible people who may ever open an account and all possible accounts that may ever be opened, then we may define:

$$accounts : PERSON \rightarrow ACCOUNT$$
$$balances : ACCOUNT \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

- (a) Explain why *accounts* and *balances* are **partial** functions.
- (b)
 - (i) Write a symbolic expression to state that all customer accounts will have balances.
 - (ii) Create an expression which will yield a set containing ordered pairs where the first value in a pair is a *customer* and the second value is that customer's account balance.
- (c) Write symbolic expressions to give:
 - (i) all customers with accounts;
 - (ii) the account which belongs to customer *c*.
- (d) If the bank changes its rules so that any customer may have more than one account and customers can have joint accounts, modify the definition of *accounts* to reflect the change in the rules.
- (e) For the revised model, write symbolic expressions to give:
 - (i) the **number** of accounts owned by customer *c*;
 - (ii) the **set** of customers who have at least one account *overdrawn*.

12. A university awards degrees with classifications defined by the free type DEGREE_CLASS where:

$$DEGREE_CLASS ::= ordinary \mid pass \mid third \mid lower\ second \mid upper\ second \mid first$$

If [STUDENT] defines the given set of all possible students, *comp_sci* denotes the set of final-year students graduating in *Computer Science* and the relationship showing the degree classification obtained by each student is modelled by:

$$final_deg_results : STUDENT \rightarrow DEGREE_CLASS$$

- (a) Write a symbolic expression which shows, for those graduating in *Computer Science*, who obtained which degree classification.
 - (b) Write a symbolic expression giving the **number** of non-*Computer Science* graduating students who were awarded *first* class degrees.
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- (c) Write a symbolic expression giving those students graduating in *Computer Science* who *failed* to get a *lower second* or better.
 - (d) Write a symbolic expression giving the complete set of final year *Computer Science* results after the External Examiner persuades the Examination Board to upgrade to a *third* class degree all those *Computer Science* students previously recommended for *pass* degrees.