



CHAPTER: RELATIONS AND FUNCTIONS

POINTS TO REMEMBER:

- ⊙ A Relation R from a set A to a set B is a subset of $A \times B$.
If $n(A) = r, n(B) = s$ from set A to set B then $n(A \times B) = rs$. and no. of relations from A to B = 2^{rs} .
- ⊙ Empty relation: $R = \phi$ is a relation defined on set A, $\phi \subset A \times A$, also known as the void (null) relation.
Universal relation: $R = A \times A$ is known as universal relation.
Identity relation: $R = \{(x,y) : x,y \in A, x=y\}$
Inverse relation: let $R: A \rightarrow B$, then $R^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$ defined by $\{(y,x) : (x,y) \in R\}$
- ⊙ **Reflexive Relation**: Relation R defined on set A is said to be reflexive iff $(a,a) \in R \quad (a \in A) \quad \forall a \in A$.
Symmetric Relation: Relation R defined on set A is said to be symmetric
iff $(a, b) \in R \Rightarrow (b, a) \in R \quad (a R b \Rightarrow b R a) \quad \forall a, b \in A$
Transitive Relation : Relation R defined on set A is said to be transitive
iff $(a, b), (b, c) \in R \Rightarrow (a, c) \in R \quad (a R b \text{ and } b R c \Rightarrow a R c) \quad \forall a, b, c \in R$
Equivalence Relation : A relation defined on set A is said to be an equivalence relation iff it is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.
- ⊙ **One-One Function (injective)**: $f: A \rightarrow B$ is said to be one-one if distinct elements in A has distinct images in B.
i.e. if $f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 \quad \forall x_1, x_2 \in A$ OR if $x_1 \neq x_2 \Rightarrow f(x_1) \neq f(x_2) \quad \forall x_1, x_2 \in A$
Onto function (surjective): A function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is said to be onto iff $R_f = B$ (Co Domain). (Atleast one pre-image)
i.e. For every $y \in B$, there exist $x \in A$ s.t. $f(x) = y$
Bijjective Function: A function which is both injective(1-1) and surjective(onto) is called bijective.
- ⊙ A and B are finite sets. $F: A \rightarrow B$ is a function.
 f is one-one $\Rightarrow n(A) \leq n(B)$; f is onto $\Rightarrow n(A) \geq n(B)$; f is bijective $\Rightarrow n(A) = n(B)$;
- ⊙ If $n(A) = p$ and $n(B) = q$; no. of functions from A to B = q^p .
- ⊙ Number of 1-1 and onto functions from a finite set A to finite set B = $m!$, where $n(A) = n(B) = m$. otherwise zero.
- ⊙ **Composition of Two Functions**: If $f: A \rightarrow B, g: B \rightarrow C$ are two functions, then composition of f and g denoted by $g \circ f$ is a function from A to C given by, $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) \quad \forall x \in A$
Clearly $g \circ f$ is defined if Range of f \subseteq domain of g. ($R_f \subseteq D_g$) Similarly $f \circ g$ can be defined.
- ⊙ **Invertible Functions**: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is invertible iff it is bijective.
If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is bijective function, then function $g: Y \rightarrow X$ is said to be inverse of f and is denoted by f^{-1} .
iff $f \circ g = I_Y$ and $g \circ f = I_X$ where I_X, I_Y are identity functions on X and Y resp.
- ⊙ Number of binary operations on A with $n(A) = m$ is equal to m^{m^2}
- ⊙ **Binary Operation**: A binary operation * defined on set A is a function from $A \times A \rightarrow A$. $*(a, b) = a * b$.
i.e. $a * b \in A \quad \forall a, b \in A$. (closure property)
Binary operation * defined on set A is said to be commutative iff $a * b = b * a \quad \forall a, b \in A$.
Binary operation * defined on set A is called associative iff $a * (b * c) = (a * b) * c \quad \forall a, b, c \in A$
For a binary * on A, a unique element $e \in A$ is said to be the identity element iff $a * e = e * a \quad \forall a \in A$.
If * is binary operation on A, then an element b is said to be inverse of a $\in A$ iff $a * b = e = b * a$
Inverse of an element, if it exists, is unique.

ASSIGNMENT QUESTIONS

1. Show that the relation R in the set $A = \{x \in W, 0 \leq x \leq 17\}$ given by $R = \{(a,b) : |a-b| \text{ is a multiple of } 5\}$ is an equivalence relation. Also find [3] and [2].
2. Is the relation R in the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ defined as $R = \{(a, b) : b = a + 1\}$ reflexive or transitive ?
3. Let R be a relation on R defined by $\{(a,b) : a+b \text{ is even}\}$. Is R an equivalence relation?

4. Prove that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = x^3 + 3$ is a bijection. Find $f^{-1}(x)$. Also find $f^{-1}(-5)$ and $f^{-1}(30)$.
Does truthfulness and honesty have any relation?
 5. Is the relation R on \mathbb{R} of real numbers defined by $R = \{(a,b): 1+ab > 0, a,b \in \mathbb{R}\}$, reflexive, symmetric and transitive. Justify your answer.
 6. Let $R = \{(1,1), (2,2), (2,1), (3,3), (3,2)\}$ be a relation on $A = \{1,2,3\}$. Determine whether R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive. Justify your answer.
 7. Let R be a relation from $A = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}$ to $B = \{3, 6, 7, 10\}$ given by $x R y$ iff x is relatively prime to y . find the domain and range of R . Determine whether R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive. Justify your answer.
 8. Show that the relation R on the set $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ defined by $(a,b)R(c,d) \Leftrightarrow ad=bc$, is an equivalence relation.
 9. If $n(A) = n(B) = 3$, How many bijective functions can be formed from A to B ?
 10. If $f: A \rightarrow B$ is bijective function such that $n(A) = 10$, then $n(B) = ?$
 11. If $f(x) = \log\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)$, show that $f\left(\frac{2x}{1+x^2}\right) = 2f(x)$
 12. Show that $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ defined by $f(x) = x^2 + x$ is many-one and into (neither 1-1 nor onto) but $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = x^3 + x$ is a bijection.
 13. Let $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x + 1, & \text{if } x \text{ is odd} \\ 2x - 1, & \text{if } x \text{ is even} \end{cases}$. Find (a) $f(3)$ (b) $f(4)$ (c) x when $f(x) = -9$.
Is this function one-one and onto.
 14. Let $f, g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be two functions. Consider the product function $f \times g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. With the help of an example show that
(a) if both f and g are onto, $f \times g$ need not be onto.
(b) if both f and g are one-one, $f \times g$ need not be one-one.
 15. Determine whether $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = |2x - 3|$ is 1-1 and onto.
 16. Is the function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ defined by $f(m) = m^2 + m + 2$ one-one?
 17. If $f(x) = x + 1$, $g(x) = x - 1$, Then find the value of $(g \circ f)(3)$
 18. If $f, g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = 3x + 2$ and $g(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 + 1}$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, find the following:
(a) $f \circ f$ (b) $f \circ g$ (c) $g \circ f$ (d) $g \circ g$
 19. $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = ax + b \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, then find the constants a, b such that $f \circ f = I_{\mathbb{R}}$.
 20. Let $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow Y$ defined as $f(x) = 4x^2 + 12x + 15$, where Y is range of $f(x)$. Show that f is invertible. Also find $f^{-1}(x)$.
 21. If $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = 5x - 3$, find $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $f \circ g = I_{\mathbb{R}} = g \circ f$
 22. If $f = \{(1,5), (2,3), (3,0), (4,-2)\}$, find f^{-1} .
 23. Prove that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = \frac{2x-7}{4}$ is invertible. Find $f^{-1}(x)$.
 24. Let $*$ be a binary operation on \mathbb{R} defined by $a * b = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. Examine whether $*$ is binary or not. Discuss the associativity and commutativity of $*$. Also find the identity element and invertible elements, if any in \mathbb{R} .
 25. Let $*$ be a binary operation on \mathbb{R} defined by $a * b = \frac{3ab}{7}$. Examine whether $*$ is binary or not. Discuss the associativity and commutativity of $*$. Also find the identity element and invertible elements, if any in \mathbb{R} .
 26. Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and $*$ be a binary operation on A defined by $a * b = \max(a, b)$. construct the operation/composition table for $*$. Prove that $*$ is commutative and associative. Find the identity element. Also find all invertible elements.
 27. Determine whether the relation $R = \{(x, y): x \text{ and } y \text{ are honest.}\}$ in a set A of students in a school at a particular time is symmetric and transitive. What are the advantages of students being honest?
 28. Let $A = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5\}$ and $B = \{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4\}$ where a_i, b_i represent school going children. Define a relation from A to B by $x R y$ iff y is a true friend of x . If $R = \{(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_1), (a_3, b_3), (a_4, b_4), (a_5, b_2)\}$; determine whether R is bijective or not. Justify your answer. Do you think true friendship is important in life? Give two reasons.
 29. Prove that a function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ defined by $f(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{n-1}{2} & n \text{ is odd} \\ -\frac{n}{2} & n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$ is bijective. Find its inverse.
 30. Let $*$ be an operation on $\mathbb{Q} - \{-1\}$ defined by $a * b = a + b + ab$. Check whether $*$ is binary, commutative or associative. Find the identity element, if any. Also find the invertible elements and their inverses.
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31. Let $g(x) = 1 + x - [x]$ and $f(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & x < 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \\ 1 & x > 0 \end{cases}$ find $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$.
32. If $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, 2)$ defined by $f(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}} + 1$ is invertible, find $f^{-1}(x)$.
33. Find $f^{-1}(x)$, if $f: [1, \infty) \rightarrow [1, \infty)$ defined by $f(x) = 2^{x(x-1)}$ is invertible.
34. Let $R = \{ (a, b): a^2 + b^2 = 1 \}$ be a relation on \mathbb{R} . Check whether R is reflexive, symmetric or transitive.
35. Prove that the relation "congruence modulo m " on \mathbb{Z} is an equivalence relation.
36. If R and S are two equivalence relations on a set A , prove that $R \cap S$ is also an equivalence relation.
37. Show that union of two equivalence relations is not necessarily an equivalence relation.
38. Prove that R^{-1} is an equivalence relation if R is an equivalence relation.
39. R is a relation on \mathbb{Z} given by $R = \{ (a, b): |a - b| \leq 1 \}$. Determine whether R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.
40. Let $A = \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$ and let $*$ be a binary operation on A defined by $(a, b) * (c, d) = (ac, b+ad)$. Determine whether $*$ is commutative and associative. Find the identity element in A . Find the invertible elements of A .
41. Let $A = \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ and let $*$ be a binary operation on A defined by $(a, b) * (c, d) = (ad+bc, bd)$. Determine whether $*$ is commutative and associative. Show that A has no identity element.
42. Consider a set $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$. Define a binary operation $*$ on S as $a * b = r$, where r is the least non-negative remainder when ab is divided by 7. Determine whether $*$ is binary, commutative and associative. Find the identity element and invertible elements. Also find the inverse.
43. Let X be a non-empty set and let $*$ be a binary operation on $P(X)$ defined by $A * B = A \cup B$. Prove that $*$ is commutative and associative. Find the identity element and invertible elements.
44. Show that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (-1, 1)$ given by $f(x) = \frac{-x|x|}{1+x^2}$ is invertible. Also find $f^{-1}(x)$.
45. Is $f: [1, \infty) \rightarrow [2, \infty)$ given by $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$ bijective? If yes, find $f^{-1}(x)$.
46. Find the value of a for which $f(x) - 1 + ax$ is the inverse of itself.
47. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 + x, & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 3 - x, & 2 < x \leq 3 \end{cases}$ find $f \circ f$.
48. Let $f(x) = \frac{3x-2}{2x-3}$, find $f \circ f$ in $\mathbb{R} - \left\{ \frac{3}{2} \right\}$. Hence find its inverse.
49. Let $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ given by $f(x) = e^x$. Is f invertible? If yes, find $f^{-1}(x)$.
50. Let $f: A \rightarrow B$, $g: B \rightarrow A$ be two functions such that $g \circ f = I_A$. Prove that f is one-one and g is onto.
51. Let $f: A \rightarrow B$, $g: B \rightarrow C$ such that $g \circ f$ is 1-1 and f is onto, prove that g is 1-1.
52. If $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = \sin^2 x + \sin^2 \left(x + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) + \cos x \cos \left(x + \frac{\pi}{3} \right) \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be such that $g\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) = 1$. Then prove that $g \circ f$ is a constant function.
53. Show that $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x^2}$ is neither 1-1 nor onto.
54. Write all one-one functions on $\{a, b, c\}$
55. Let $A = [0, 1]$, if $f: A \rightarrow A$ is given by $f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 1 - x, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$ prove that $f \circ f = I_A$
56. Let $*$ be a binary operation on \mathbb{Z} defined by $a * b = a + b - 15 \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Check commutativity and associativity. Prove that identity is 15 and $a^{-1} = 30 - a$.
57. If $f(x + y, x - y) = xy$ prove that $f(x, y) = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{4}$
58. If $f(x) = \log_{x^2} x$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^+ - \{1\}$, prove that f is many-one.
59. Show that sum of two one-one functions may not be one-one.
60. Let $f(x) = [x]$ and $g(x) = |x|$, evaluate $f \circ g(1/3) - g \circ f(-1/3)$.
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