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UNIT 3: FUNCTIONS & TRANSFORMATIONS

3.1 Relations, Domain, Range and Functions

A. Definitions

Relation: A **relation** is an identified relationship between two variables that may be expressed as a set of **ordered pairs**, a **table of values**, a **graph**, or an **equation**.

Domain: The **domain, D**, is the set of all first elements (*x*-values) of a relation.

Range: The **range, R**, is the set of all second elements (*y*-values) of a relation.

Function: A **function** is a relation in which each first element (*x*-value) corresponds to exactly one second element (*y*-value).

Vertical Line Test: If any **vertical line** intersects the graph of a relation more than once, then the relation is not a function.

B. Examples

1. State the domain of each of the following relations.

a) $y = \frac{x-1}{x^2-3x-4}$

$y = \frac{x-1}{(x-4)(x+1)}$, $x = -1, 4$

$D = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \neq -1, 4\}$

"The Domain equals the set of *x*-values that are elements of the real numbers such that *x* is not equal to -1 or 4"

b) $s = \sqrt{8-2t}$

$8-2t \geq 0$

$-2t \geq -8$

$t \leq 4$

$D = \{t \in \mathbb{R} \mid t \leq 4\}$

"is the set of" (pointing to the curly braces)
 "is an element of..." (pointing to $t \in \mathbb{R}$)
 "such that" (pointing to $t \leq 4$)

c) $y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-9}}$

$x^2-9 > 0$

$(x-3)(x+3) > 0$

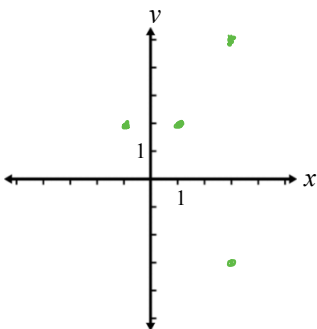
zeros are $x = -3$ & $x = 3$



$D = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x < -3 \text{ or } x > 3\}$

2. State the domain and range. Determine if the relation is a function. Explain.

a) $\{(1,2), (3,5), (3,-3), (-1,2)\}$



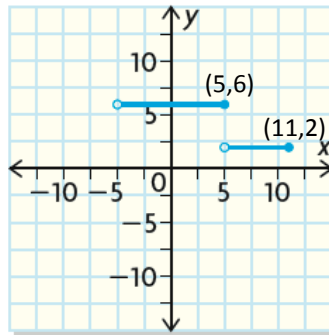
i) $D = \{-1, 1, 3\}$

ii) $R = \{-3, 2, 5\}$

iii) Function? No

The *x*-value of 3 has more than one *y*-value.

b)



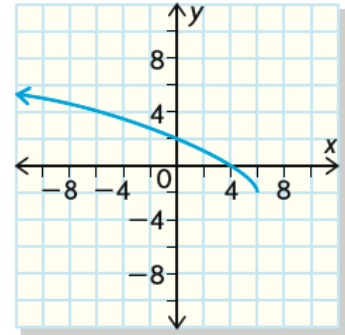
i) $D = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -5 < x \leq 11\}$

ii) $R = \{2, 6\}$

iii) Function? Yes

The graph passes the vertical line test.

c)



i) $D = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \leq 6\}$

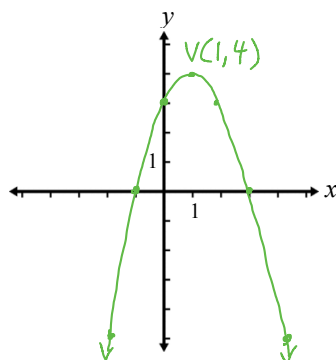
ii) $R = \{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid y \geq -2\}$

iii) Function? Yes

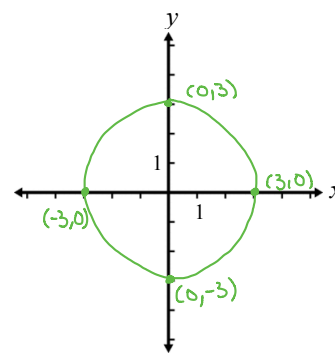
The graph passes the vertical line test.

3. Graph, and state the domain and range. Determine if the relation is a function. Explain.

a) $y = -x^2 - 2x + 3$
 $y = -(x^2 + 2x + 1 - 1) + 3$
 $y = -(x+1)^2 + 4$
 - $V(-1, 4)$
 - opens down
 - congruent to $y = x^2$



b) $x^2 + y^2 = 9$
 Circle
 Centre $(0, 0)$
 $r^2 = 9$
 $r = 3$



i) $D = \{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

ii) $R = \{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid y \leq 4\}$

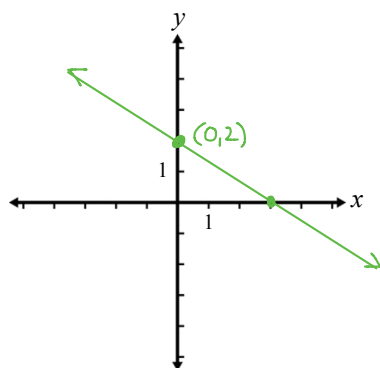
iii) Function? Yes
 The graph passes the vertical line test.

i) $D = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -3 \leq x \leq 3\}$

ii) $R = \{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid -3 \leq y \leq 3\}$

iii) Function? No
 The graph fails the vertical line test.

c) $2x + 3y = 6$
 $3y = -2x + 6$
 $y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 2$
 slope: $m = -\frac{2}{3}$
 y-int: $b = 2$



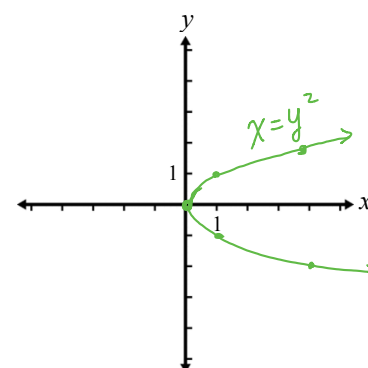
i) $D = \{x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

ii) $R = \{y \in \mathbb{R}\}$

iii) Function? Yes
 The graph passes the vertical line test.

d) $x = y^2$

x	y
4	-2
1	-1
0	0
1	1
4	2



i) $D = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \geq 0\}$

ii) $R = \{y \in \mathbb{R}\}$

iii) Function? No
 The graph fails the vertical line test.

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3.2 Function Notation**A. Definition**

Symbols such as $f(x)$, read as “ f at x ” or “ f of x ”, $g(x)$ and $h(x)$, are called **function notation**. $f(x)$ represents the value of y for a given value of x , so $y = f(x)$.

B. Examples

1. Rewrite the following equations in **function notation**.

a) $y = -3x + 2$

$f(x) = -3x + 2$

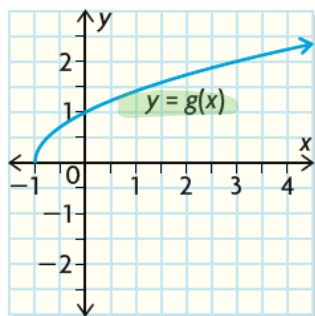
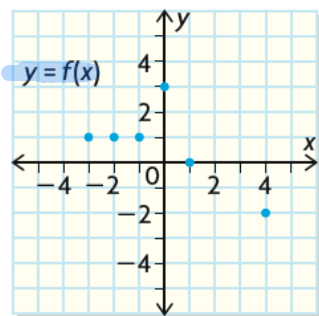
b) $y = -2x^2 - 5x + 2$

$g(x) = -2x^2 - 5x + 2$

c) $h = -5t^2 + 30t + 4$

$h(t) = -5t^2 + 30t + 4$

2. Using the graphs of $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ determine value(s) for each of the following.



a) $D_f = \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 4\}$

$R_f = \{-2, 0, 1, 3\}$

b) $D_g = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \geq 1\}$

$R_g = \{y \in \mathbb{R} \mid y \geq 0\}$

c) $f(0) = 3$

d) $g(-1) = 0$

e) $g(3) - f(4) = 2 - (-2) = 4$

f) x if $g(x) = 1$
 $x = 0$

g) x if $f(x) = 1$
 $x = -3$ or $x = -2$ or $x = -1$

3. If $f(x) = -3x + 2$, find

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

b) $f(0) = -3(0) + 2 = 2$

c) $f(2) = -3(2) + 2 = -4$

d) $f\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) - f\left(-\frac{1}{9}\right) = -3\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 2 - \left[-3\left(-\frac{1}{9}\right) + 2\right] = -\frac{1}{2} + 2 - \frac{1}{3} - 2 = -\frac{3}{6} - \frac{2}{6} = -\frac{5}{6}$

e) $f(-3a) = -3(-3a) + 2 = 9a + 2$

f) $f(x-3) = -3(x-3) + 2 = -3x + 9 + 2 = -3x + 11$

4. If $g(x) = -2x^2 - 5x + 2$, find

a) $g(-1) = -2(-1)^2 - 5(-1) + 2 = -2 + 5 + 2 = 5$

b) $g(3) = -2(3)^2 - 5(3) + 2 = -18 - 15 + 2 = -31$

c) $g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - 5\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{2}{1} = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{5}{2} + \frac{4}{2} = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{5}{2} + \frac{4}{2} = -\frac{2}{2} = -1$

d) $g(3x) = -2(3x)^2 - 5(3x) + 2 = -2(9x^2) - 15x + 2 = -18x^2 - 15x + 2$

e) $g(a+3) = -2(a+3)(a+3) - 5(a+3) + 2 = -2(a^2 + 6a + 9) - 5(a+3) + 2 = -2a^2 - 12a - 18 - 5a - 15 + 2 = -2a^2 - 17a - 31$

5. If $f(x) = 5x + 8$, $g(x) = x^2 + 3x$ and $h(x) = \sqrt{4x+1}$, find the value(s) of x , if

a) $f(x) = -7$

$$5x + 8 = -7$$

$$5x = -15$$

$$x = -3$$

b) $g(x) = 18$

$$x^2 + 3x = 18$$

$$x^2 + 3x - 18 = 0$$

$$(x+6)(x-3) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = -6 \text{ or } x = 3$$

c) $f(x-1) = g(2x+1)$

$$5(x-1) + 8 = (2x+1)(2x+1) + 3(2x+1)$$

$$5x - 5 + 8 = 4x^2 + 4x + 1 + 6x + 3$$

$$5x + 3 = 4x^2 + 10x + 4$$

$$0 = 4x^2 + 5x + 1$$

$$0 = (4x+1)(x+1)$$

$$\therefore x = -1 \text{ or } x = -\frac{1}{4}$$

d) $h(x) = 3\sqrt{5}$

$$\sqrt{4x+1} = 3\sqrt{5}$$

$$(\sqrt{4x+1})^2 = (3\sqrt{5})^2$$

$$4x+1 = 9(5)$$

$$4x+1 = 45$$

$$4x = 44$$

$$x = 11$$

e) $h(x^2 - x) = 0$

$$\sqrt{4(x^2-x)+1} = 0$$

$$(\sqrt{4x^2-4x+1})^2 = (0)^2$$

$$4x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$$

$$(2x-1)(2x-1) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{2}$$

6. Sarah has 24 m of fencing to enclose a rectangular garden against the back of her house.

a) Express the area, A , in m^2 of the garden as a function of its width, w , in m.

b) Determine the domain and range of the area function.

c) Determine the dimensions that give the maximum area.

a) $A = l \times w$

$$A = w(24 - 2w)$$

$$A = -2w^2 + 24w$$

$$\therefore A(w) = -2w^2 + 24w$$

b) For the domain, $A(w) > 0$

$$-2w^2 + 24w > 0$$

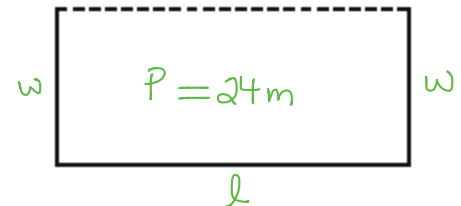
$$2w^2 - 24w < 0$$

$$2w(w - 12) < 0$$



$$\therefore D = \{w \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 < w < 12\}$$

$$R = \{A(w) \in \mathbb{R} \mid 0 < A(w) \leq 72\}$$



* Find l in terms of w :

$$l + 2w = 24$$

$$l = 24 - 2w$$

For Range:

$$A(w) = -2(w^2 - 12w + 36 - 36)$$

$$A(w) = -2(w - 6)^2 + 72$$

$$V(6, 72)$$

c) For the maximum area $w = 6\text{m}$ and $l = 12\text{m}$.