

2 RELATIONS AND FUNCTIONS

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CONCEPTS & FORMULAS - I

I) RELATIONS

2.1 Ordered Pair (a, b): A pair of elements arranged in a particular order.

Ex : (1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 1), (x, y)....

- **Equality of Ordered Pairs:** If $(a, b) = (x, y)$ then $a = x$ and $b = y$.
- **Ordered Pair Vs Set :** $(1, 2) \neq (2, 1)$, but $\{1, 2\} = \{2, 1\}$;

2.2 Cartesian Product of Sets (A × B): The cartesian product of two non-empty sets A and B is the set of all ordered pairs of elements from A to B.

- $A \times B = \{(a, b) / a \in A, b \in B\}$
- If $n(A) = p$ and $n(B) = q$ then $n(A \times B) = pq$

Ex 1: Let $A = \{a, b\}$, $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$ then

$$\text{i) } A \times B = \{a, b\} \times \{1, 2, 3\} = \{(a, 1), (a, 2), (a, 3), (b, 1), (b, 2), (b, 3)\}$$

$$\text{ii) } B \times A = \{1, 2, 3\} \times \{a, b\} = \{(1, a), (1, b), (2, a), (2, b), (3, a), (3, b)\}$$

Here, $n(A) = 2$, $n(B) = 3 \therefore n(A \times B) = 2 \times 3 = 6$. Thus, $A \times B$ contains 6 elements.

Ex 2: In the co-ordinate system, the cartesian product of a set of all elements (R) on the X-axis and the set of all elements (R) on the Y-axis is **the xy plane**.

Thus, $R \times R = \{(x, y) : x, y \in R\} = \text{co-ordinates of all points in the xy plane.}$

[Upto Exercise 2(a)]

2.3 Relation : In general, a relation describes a connection (link) between the elements of two sets.

Ex 1: Students in a class and their respective friends form a relation (friendship).

Ex 2: A group of people and their respective age form a relation (people - age relation).

Relation (R : A → B): Mathematically, any subset of $A \times B$ is called a relation from A to B. In other words, relation is any element (set) of power set of $A \times B$.

- If an element a is related with b by the relation R then it is denoted by $a R b$ (or) $(a, b) \in R$
- If $n(A) = p$, $n(B) = q$ then (i) number of elements in $A \times B = pq$ (ii) number of relations from A to B = 2^{pq}

Ex : Let $A = \{a, b\}$, $B = \{1, 2\}$.

Then $A \times B = \{a, b\} \times \{1, 2\} = \{(a, 1), (a, 2), (b, 1), (b, 2)\} \Rightarrow n(A \times B) = 4$

\therefore no. of relations from A to B = $2^{2 \times 2} = 2^4 = 16$

Representation of a Relation: Relation is basically a set. So, it is represented in the following ways.

- (i) Roster form (ii) Set-builder form (iii) Tabular form
(iv) Arrow diagram (v) Expression between 2 variables (like $y = f(x)$) (vi) Graph

Domain & Range of a Relation: If a relation is expressed as a set of ordered pairs then the set of all first elements of ordered pairs is called **domain** and the set of all second elements is called **range**.

- If $R : A \rightarrow B$ is said to be a relation then A is called a **domain** and B is called **codomain** of R.

Note: Range of a relation is always a subset to its codomain.

[Upto Exercise 2(b)]

II) FUNCTIONS

2.4 1) A function $f:A \rightarrow B$ is a **special type of relation** satisfying the following two conditions.

i) Domain totality: 'All the elements' of the domain A must be paired.

So, if there is any element with 'no mapping image' then that relation is not a function.

ii) Uniqueness: Any element of A should have **one and only one** (unique) image.

That means, any element of A 'should not be paired' with two or more elements of B .

Ofcourse, two or more elements of A may have the same image in B .

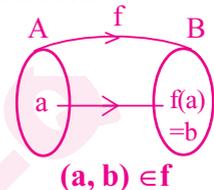
☞ In a relation, if any one of the above two conditions fails then it is not a function.

Thus, every function is a relation but every relation need not be a function.

2) Function: A relation $f : A \rightarrow B$ is said to be a function, if **every** element in A is related to a **unique** image in B .

If $a \in A$ then $f(a) = b$ is called the **f image of a**

and **a** is known as the **pre- image of f(a)**



3) Domain (A), Codomain (B) & Range f(A) of the function (f : A → B):

If $f : A \rightarrow B$ is a function then A is called its domain and B is called codomain.

• **Range:** In the function $f : A \rightarrow B$, the set of all images is called the **range** of f . It is denoted by $f(A)$.

Thus, $f(A) = \{f(a) / a \in A\}$ (or) $f(A) = \{b / b = f(a)\}$.

Note: $f(A) \subseteq B$. That means, range of a function is always a subset to its codomain.

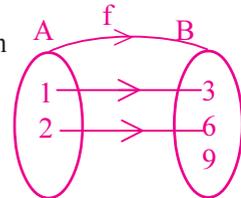
Ex: Let $A = \{1, 2\}$, $B = \{3, 6, 9\}$ and $f : A \rightarrow B$ is defined as $f = \{(1, 3), (2, 6)\}$ then

i) Domain of f is $A = \{1, 2\}$

ii) Codomain of f is $B = \{3, 6, 9\}$

iii) Range of f is $f(A) = \{3, 6\}$

Here, $f(A) \subseteq B$



4) Real Function: $f : A \rightarrow B$ is said to be a real function when all the elements of A, B are reals.

5) Algebra of real functions:

Let $f : A \rightarrow R$, $g : B \rightarrow R$ be 2 real functions such that $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$ then f, g can be operated algebraically in the following manner with domains indicated in the brackets

(i) $(f+g)(x) = f(x)+g(x)$, ($\forall x \in A \cap B$);

(ii) $(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x)$, ($\forall x \in A \cap B$)

(iii) $(kf)(x) = kf(x)$, ($\forall x \in A$);

(iv) $f^n(x) = [f(x)]^n$, ($\forall x \in A, n \in \mathbb{N}$)

(v) $\sqrt{f}(x) = \sqrt{f(x)}$, ($\forall x \in A$ such that $f(x) \geq 0$);

(vi) $\frac{f}{g}(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ ($\forall x \in A \cap B, g(x) \neq 0$)

6) Hints to find the domains of real functions:

Type I: If the function is of the form $\sqrt{f(x)}$ then its domain is $\{x / f(x) \geq 0\}$

Type II: If the function is of the form $\frac{1}{\sqrt{f(x)}}$ (or) $\log f(x)$ then its domain is $\{x / f(x) > 0\}$

Type III: If the function is of the form $\frac{1}{f(x)}$ then its domain is $R - \{x / f(x) = 0\}$

[Upto Exercise 2(c)& 2(d)]

Note: Refer P.Nos. 52,53 **Concepts & Formulas -II** for '**Real functions and Graphs**' .