

RELATIONS & FUNCTIONS

KEY POINTS TO REMEMBER

- Relation R from set A to a set B is subset of $A \times B$.
- $A \times B = \{(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}$.
- If $n(A) = r$, $n(B) = s$ from set A to B then $n(A \times B) = rs$ & no. of relations $= 2^{rs}$.
- \emptyset is a relation defined on set A , called **empty or void relation**.
- $R = A \times A$ is called **universal relation**.
- **Reflexive relation** : Relation R defined on set A is said to be reflexive iff $(a, a) \in R \forall a \in A$.
- **Symmetric Relation** : Relation R defined on set A is said to be symmetric if $(a, b) \in R$, $(b, a) \in R \forall a, b \in A$.
- **Transitive Relation** : Relation R defined on set A is said to be transitive if $(a, b) \in R$, $(b, c) \in R$ implies $(a, c) \in R \forall a, b \in A$.
- **Equivalence Relation**: A relation R defined on set A is said to be equivalence relation iff it is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.
- **One - One function**: $f: A \rightarrow B$ is said to be one - one if distinct elements in A has distinct images in B . i.e. $\forall x_1, x_2 \in A$ s.t. $x_1 \neq x_2$ this implies $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$
OR
 $\forall x_1, x_2 \in A$ s.t. $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ implies $x_1 = x_2$
- One-one function is also called **injective function**.
- **Onto function (surjective)**: A function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is said to be an onto iff $R_f = B$ i.e. $\forall b \in B$, there exist $a \in A$ s.t. $f(a) = b$.
- **Invertible function**: A function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is invertible iff it is bijective.
- **Binary Operation**: A binary Operation $*$ defined on set A is a function from $A \times A \rightarrow A$. $*$ (a, b) is denoted by $a * b$.
- Binary operation is commutative and associative in nature.
- If $*$ is a binary operation on A , then element $e \in A$ is said to be the identity element iff $a * e = e * a \forall a \in A$.
- Identity element is unique.
- If $*$ is a binary operation on A , then element b is said to be inverse of $a \in A$ iff $a * b = b * a = e$
- Inverse of an element if exists, is unique.
- Total number of binary operations on a set consisting of n elements is n^{n^2} .
- Total number of binary commutative binary operations on a set consisting of n elements is $n^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}$.
- If A and B are two non empty finite sets containing m and n elements respectively, then
(i) Number of functions from A to $B = n^m$.

(ii) Number of one - one functions from A to B =

$$\begin{cases} n_{c_m \times m!}, & \text{if } n \geq m \\ 0, & \text{if } n < m \end{cases}$$

(iii) Number of on - to functions from A to B =

$$\sum_{r=1}^n (-1)^{n-r} n_{c_r} r^m, \quad \text{if } m \geq n$$

(iv) Number of one - one and onto functions from A to B =

$$\begin{cases} n!, & \text{if } n = m \\ 0, & \text{if } n \neq m \end{cases}$$

Total number of binary operations on a set consisting of n elements is n^{n^2} .

ASSIGNMENT

Q1. Discuss whether each of the following relations are reflexive, symmetric or transitive:

(i) Relation R_1 on the set R of all real numbers defined as $R_1 = \{(a,b) : a-b \geq 0\}$

(ii) $R = \{(a,b) : a = b\}$

Q2. Let $A = \{1,2,3,4\}$ and let $f = \{(1,4),(2,1),(3,3),(4,2)\}$ and $g = \{(1,3),(2,1),(3,2),(4,4)\}$, find fog, gof, fof and gog.

Q3. Find gof and fog if (i) $f(x) = |x|$ and $g(x) = |5x - 2|$

(ii) $f(x) = 8x^3$ and $g(x) = x^{1/3}$

Q4. Let $f : R \rightarrow R$ and $g : R \rightarrow R$ be defined as $f(x) = x^2 + 3x + 1$, $g(x) = 2x - 3$. Find fog and gof.

Q5. Let $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3$ $x < 3$

$$= x - 4 \quad x \geq 3$$

$$g(x) = x - 3 \quad x < 4$$

$$= x^2 + 2x + 2 \quad x \geq 4$$

Describe the function $\frac{f}{g}$.

Q6. $f(x) = x + 1$ $x \leq 1$

$$= 2x + 1 \quad 1 < x \leq 2$$

$$g(x) = x^2 \quad -1 < x < 2$$

$$= x + 2 \quad 2 \leq x \leq 3. \text{ Find fog and gof.}$$

Q7. Are the following functions invertible in their respective domains? If so find the inverse of each.

$$(i) f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1} \quad (ii) f(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2}$$

Q8. If the function $f : R \rightarrow R$ be defined by $f(x) = x^2 + 5x + 9$. Find $f^{-1}(8)$.

Q9. Let $S = \{0,1,2,3,4\}$ and $*$ be an operation on S defined by $a*b = a \oplus_3 b$. Prepare operation table for \otimes_3 and \oplus_3 .

Q10. Let $*$ be a binary operation on A defined by $a * b = \text{LCM of } (a,b)$ for all $(a,b) \in N$. Find

$$(i) 3*4$$

$$(ii) 5*7$$

$$(iii) 20*16$$

$$(iv) 6*9$$

Q11. Find the number of binary operations on the set $\{3,4,5\}$ having identity element as 3.

Q12. Find the number of binary operations on the set $\{6,7,8\}$ having identity element as 6 and $7^{-1} = 7$, $8^{-1} = 8$.

Q13. Check whether the following relations are functions or not. If yes, then find which functions are one one, onto or neither. $A = \{2,4,6,8\}$ and $B = \{a,b,c\}$

$$(i) f = \{(4,a),(6,c),(8,a)\}$$

$$(ii) g = \{(2,a),(4,b),(6,c),(8,a)\}$$

$$(iii) h = \{(2,a),(4,a),(6,b),(8,b)\}$$

Q14. Check whether the following function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is invertible or not. Describe f^{-1} .

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \quad B = \{2, 4, 6, 8\} \quad , \quad f(1)=2, f(2)=4, f(3)=6, f(4)=8.$$

Q15. Determine whether the function $f: S \rightarrow S$ where $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $f = \{(1, 2), (2, 1), (3, 1)\}$ invertible or not.

Q16. Find the number of binary operations that can be defined on a set of 2 elements.

Q17. Find the number of binary operations on set $\{1, 2, 3\}$ having $e=3$ and $4^{-1}=4, 5^{-1}=4$.

Q18. If R is the relation on $N \times N \rightarrow N$ defined by $(a, b) R (c, d)$ if $a + d = b + c$. Show that R is an equivalence relation.

Q19. Let a function $f: R \rightarrow R$ be defined by $f(x) = 3 - 4x$, prove that f is one one and onto.

Q20. Show that $f: N \rightarrow N$ given by $f(x) = x^2 + x + 1$ is not invertible.

Q21. Let $A = \{-1, 0, 1\}$ and $f = \{(x, x^2), x \in A\}$. Show that $f: A \rightarrow A$ is neither one one nor onto.

Q22. Show that $f: R \rightarrow \{x \in R : -1 < x < 1\}$ defined by $\frac{x}{1+|x|}$, $x \in R$ is one one and onto.

Q23. If $f: [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$, show that f is one one but not onto.

Q24. Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$. State the reason for the following where R_1 and R_2 are relations on A .

(i) $R_1 = \{(a, a), (b, b), (a, c)\}$ is not reflexive.

(ii) $R_2 = \{(a, b), (b, a), (a, c), (a, a), (b, b), (c, c)\}$ is not symmetric.

Q25. Let $A = N \times N$ and let $*$ be a binary operation on A defined by

$$\{(a, b) * (c, d) = (ad + bc) \text{ for all } (a, b), (c, d) \in N \times N\}.$$

(i) $*$ is commutative on A

(ii) $*$ is associative on A

(iii) $*$ has no identity element.

ANSWER KEY

1. (i) Reflexive, Transitive (ii) Reflexive, Symmetric, Transitive

2. $\text{fog} = \{(1, 3), (2, 4), (3, 1), (4, 2)\}$; $\text{gof} = \{(1, 4), (2, 3), (3, 2), (4, 1)\}$; $\text{fof} = \{(1, 2), (2, 4), (3, 3), (4, 1)\}$

$$\text{gog} = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 1), (4, 4)\}$$

3. (i) $(\text{fog})(x) = ||5x - 2||$ (gof) $(x) = |5|x| - 2|$

(ii) $(\text{fog})(x) = 8x$ (gof) $(x) = 2x$

4. $(\text{fog})(x) = 4x^2 - 6x + 1$ (gof) $(x) = 2x^2 + 6x - 1$

$$5. \left(\frac{f}{g} \right) (x) = \begin{cases} x - 1, & x < 3 \\ \frac{x-4}{x-3}, & 3 \leq x < 4 \\ \frac{x^2+2x+2}{x-4}, & x \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

6. $(\text{fog})(x) =$

7. (i) Yes, $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x}{1-x}$ (ii) No

$$8. \frac{-5+\sqrt{21}}{2}, \frac{-5-\sqrt{21}}{2}$$

10. (i) 12 (ii) 35 (iii) 80 (iv) 18

11. 81

12. 9

13. (i) Not a function (ii) Function but not one one (why) (iii) Function but not onto (why)

14. Yes, $f^{-1} = \{(2, 1), (4, 2), (6, 3), (8, 4)\}$

15. No (why)

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