

1.1 Functions

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Relation: is a set of ordered pairs that represent different quantities and are related by a rule.

Function: is a relation where each x-value in the domain is assigned to **One and only one** y-value in the range.

To be a function, NO DOMAIN VALUES CAN REPEAT!

Domain

The set of **INPUTS**; independent variable and is usually x-values.

Range

The set of **OUTPUTS**; dependent variable and is usually y-values.

Characteristic of Functions

- 1) Each element in the domain must be matched with an element in the range.
- 2) Some elements in the range may not be matched with any element in the domain.
- 3) Two or more elements in the domain may be matched up with the same element in the range.

ex: Time vs Temp

1	88
2	90
3	89
4	88
5	86
6	86

This is a function!

Ex. 1

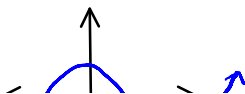
Determine whether the description represents "y" as a function of "x".

a)

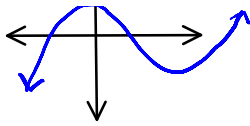
input	2	3	4	2	5
output	11	8	5	10	1

Not a function b/c the input value 2 repeats.

b)



Is a function, passes the vertical line test.



vertical line test.

If y is a function of x ; then the independent variable is x and the dependent is y .

$$y = 8x + 3$$

$$f(x) = 8x + 3$$

function notation

Ex. 2

Which equation represents "y" as a function of "x"?

a) $x^2 + y = 1$

$$y = -x^2 + 1$$

This is a function, where y is a function of x.

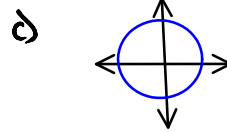
b) $-x + y^2 = 1$

$$y^2 = x + 1$$

$$\sqrt{y^2} = \sqrt{x+1}$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{x+1}$$

$$x = y^2 - 1$$



Not a function

This \pm indicates that for a given value of x, there corresponds two values of y. "y" is not a function of x.

Function Notion

$f(x)$; read as "f of x"

$f(x)$ is the value of "f" at "x".

"f" is the name of the function.

Ex. 3

Evaluate the function for the given value.

$$g(x) = -x^2 + 4x + 1$$

a) $g(2)$

$$g(2) = -(2)^2 + 4(2) + 1$$

$$g(2) = 5$$

b) $g(t)$

$$g(t) = -(t)^2 + 4(t) + 1$$

$$g(t) = -t^2 + 4t + 1$$

c) $g(x+2)$

$$g(x+2) = -(x+2)^2 + 4(x+2) + 1$$

$$= -(x^2 + 4x + 4) + 4x + 8 + 1$$

$$= -x^2 - 4x - 4 + 4x + 9$$

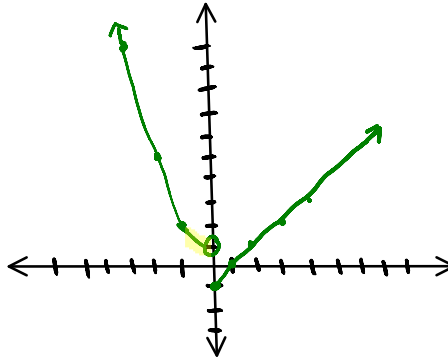
$$g(x+2) = -x^2 + 5$$

Piecewise Function

Is a function defined by two or more equations over a specified domain.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 1, & x < 0 \\ x - 1, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

Domain $\{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$



$x < 0$

$-3, -2, -1$

$$f(x) = x^2 + 1$$

$$f(0) = (0)^2 + 1 = 1$$

$$f(-3) = (-3)^2 + 1 = 10$$

$$f(-2) = (-2)^2 + 1 = 5$$

$$f(-1) = (-1)^2 + 1 = 2$$

$x \geq 0$

$0, 1, 2, 3$

$$f(x) = x - 1$$

Ex. 4

Evaluate the piecewise function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x^2 + 1, & x < -2 \\ x - 3, & -2 \leq x \leq 5 \\ x^2 + 2, & x > 5 \end{cases}$$

a) $D \{-2, -7, 0, 15\}$

$x < -2$

-7

$$f(-7) = 3(-7)^2 + 1 = 148$$

$-2 \leq x \leq 5$

$-2, 0$

$$f(-2) = (-2) - 3 = -5$$

$$f(0) = (0) - 3 = -3$$

$x > 5$

15

$$f(15) = (15)^2 + 2 = 227$$

Sometimes values of the domain will be **undefined** and you will have to identify them; cannot divide by zero or find the even root of a negative number.

ex: $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 1}$

set denominator = to 0 and solve.

$$x^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$x^2 = 1$$

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{1}$$

$$x = \pm 1$$

Domain is all real #'s other than $x = \pm 1$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x}$$

Radical

$x \geq 0$

Domain is all positive #'s

$[0, \infty)$

Interval notation

← SAME →

Both of the above examples are Implied Domains

Ex.5 State the domain of each function.

a) $h(x) = \frac{1}{x-3}$

$x-3 \neq 0$
 $x \neq 3$

Domain all real #'s except $x=3$

b) $f(x) = \sqrt{6+4x}$

$6+4x \geq 0$
 $4x \geq -6$
 $x \geq -\frac{3}{2}$

Domain is all real #'s except where $x \geq -\frac{3}{2}$

\mathbb{R} - all real numbers!

c) $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$

Domain is all positive numbers.

d) $h(x) = 6x^2 - 8x + 6$
Domain \mathbb{R}

e) $\{(6,3), (5,8), (0,-6), (1,8)\}$

Domain $\{6, 5, 0, 1\}$

One of the basic definitions in calculus employs the ratio

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}, \quad h \neq 0$$

This is called the **Difference Quotient**.

Ex.6 Evaluating a Difference Quotient.

a) $f(x) = -2x + 4$ find $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

$$\frac{[-2(x+h) + 4] - (-2x + 4)}{h}$$

$$\frac{[-2x - 2h + 4] + 2x - 4}{h} \rightarrow \frac{-2h}{h} \rightarrow -2; h \neq 0$$

* substitute "x+h" for "x" into the original function.

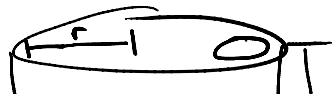
b) $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 7$ find $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

$$\frac{[(x+h)^2 - 4(x+h) + 7] - (x^2 - 4x + 7)}{h}$$

$$\frac{[x^2 + 2xh + h^2 - 4x - 4h + 7] - x^2 + 4x - 7}{h} \rightarrow \frac{h^2 + 2xh - 4h}{h} \rightarrow h + 2x - 4; h \neq 0$$

Ex.7 Applications of Functions

a) example # 6 pg 79



1) Express the volume of the can as a function of the radius.

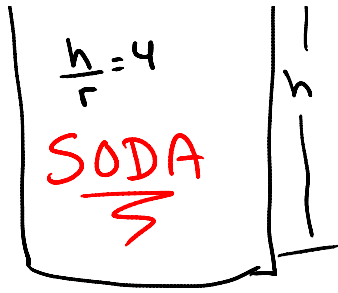
$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

$$\frac{h}{r} = 4$$

$$V = \pi r^2 (4r)$$

$$h = 4r$$

$$V = 4\pi r^3$$



2) Express the volume of the can as a function of the height.

$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

$$\frac{h}{r} = 4 \rightarrow r = \frac{h}{4}$$

$$V = \pi \left(\frac{h}{4}\right)^2 h$$

$$V = \frac{\pi h^3}{16}$$

b) Example #7 pg 79

$$f(x) = -0.0032x^2 + x + 3$$



1) Will the ball clear a 10ft fence at 300 ft?

$$\begin{aligned} f(300) &= -0.0032(300)^2 + (300) + 3 \\ &= 15 \text{ ft} \end{aligned}$$

2) Will the ball clear a 20ft fence at 300 ft?

No