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CHAPTER 1 SOME TYPES OF FUNCTIONS

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Chapter One

Some Types of Functions

1. Inverse Function and Its Properties

We start this section by restate some basic and useful concepts.

Definition 1.1.1. (Inverse of a Relation)

Suppose $R \subseteq A \times B$ is a relation between A and B then the inverse relation $R^{-1} \subseteq B \times A$ is defined as the relation between B and A and is given by

$$bR^{-1}a \quad \text{if and only if} \quad aRb.$$

That is, $R^{-1} = \{(b, a) \in B \times A : (a, b) \in R\}$.

Definition 1.1.2. (Function)

(i) A relation f from A to B is said to be function iff

$$\forall x \in A \exists! y \in B \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f$$

(ii) A relation f from A to B is said to be function iff

$$\forall x \in A \forall y, z \in B, \text{ if } (x, y) \in f \wedge (x, z) \in f, \text{ then } y = z.$$

(iii) A relation f from A to B is said to be function iff

$$(x_1, y_1) \text{ and } (x_2, y_2) \in f \text{ such that if } x_1 = x_2, \text{ then } y_1 = y_2.$$

This property called **the well-defined relation**.

Notation 1.1.3. We write $f(a) = b$ when $(a, b) \in f$ where f is a function; that is, $(a, f(a)) \in f$. We say that b is the **image** of a under f , and a is a **preimage** of b .

Question 1.1.4. From Definition 1.1 and 1.2 that if $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a function, does $f^{-1} : Y \rightarrow X$ exist? If Yes, does $f^{-1} : Y \rightarrow X$ is a function?

Example 1.1.5.

(i) Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{a, b\}$ and f_1 be a function from A to B defined bellow. $f_1 = \{(1, a), (2, a), (3, b)\}$. Then f_1^{-1} is ----- .

(ii) Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and f_2 be a function from A to B defined bellow. $f_2 = \{(1, a), (2, b), (3, d)\}$. Then f_2^{-1} is ----- .

(iii) Let $A = \{1,2,3\}$, $B = \{a,b,c,d\}$ and f_3 be a function from A to B defined bellow. $f_3 = \{(1,a), (2,b), (3,a)\}$. Then f_3^{-1} is ----- .

(iv) Let $A = \{1,2,3\}$, $B = \{a,b,c\}$ and f_4 be a function from A to B defined bellow. $f_4 = \{(1,a), (2,b), (3,c)\}$. Then f_4^{-1} is ----- .

(v) Let $A = \{1,2,3\}$, $B = \{a,b,c\}$ and f_5 be a relation from A to B defined bellow. $f_5 = \{(1,a), (1,b), (3,c)\}$. Then f_5 is ----- and f_5^{-1} is ----- .

Definition 1.1.6. (Inverse Function)

The function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be has inverse if the inverse relation $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$ is function.

Example 1.1.7.

(i) $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = x + 3$, that is,

$$f = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} : y = x + 3\}$$

$$f = \{(x, f(x)) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$f = \{(x, x + 3) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Then

$$f^{-1} = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} : (y,x) \in f\}$$

$$f^{-1} = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} : x = y + 3\}$$

$$f^{-1} = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} : y = x - 3\}$$

$$f^{-1} = \{(x, f^{-1}(x)) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$f^{-1} = \{(x, x - 3) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}\}.$$

That is $f^{-1}(x) = x - 3$.

f^{-1} is function as shown below.

Let $(y_1, f^{-1}(y_1))$ and $(y_2, f^{-1}(y_2)) \in f^{-1}$ such that $y_1 = y_2$, T. P. $f^{-1}(y_1) = f^{-1}(y_2)$.

Since $y_1 = y_2$, then $y_1 - 3 = y_2 - 3$ (By add -3 to both sides)

$$\Rightarrow f^{-1}(y_1) = f^{-1}(y_2).$$

(ii) $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g(x) = x^2$; that is,

$$g = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}: y = x^2\}$$

$$g = \{(x, g(x)): x \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$g = \{(x, x^2) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Then

$$g^{-1} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}: (y, x) \in g\}$$

$$g^{-1} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}: x = y^2\}$$

$$g^{-1} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}: y = \pm\sqrt{x}\}$$

$$g^{-1} = \{(x, \pm\sqrt{x}) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}\}, \text{ that is } g^{-1}(x) = \pm\sqrt{x}.$$

g^{-1} is not function since $g^{-1}(4) = \pm 2$.

Remark 1.1.8: If f is a function, then $f(x)$ is always is an element in the $Ran(f)$ for all x in $Dom(f)$ but $f^{-1}(y)$ may be a subset of $Dom(f)$ for all y in $Cod(f)$.

Definition 1.1.9. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function and $A \subseteq X$ and $B \subseteq Y$.

(i) The set $f(A) = \{f(x) \in Y: x \in A\} = \{y \in Y: \exists x \in A \text{ such that } y = f(x)\}$ is called the **direct image of A by f**.

(ii) The set $f^{-1}(B) = \{x \in X: f(x) \in B\} = \{x \in X: \exists y \in B \text{ such that } f(x) = y\}$ is called the **inverse image of B with respect to f**.

(iii) A function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is **one-to-one** (1-1) or **injective** if each element of B appears at most once as the image of an element of A . That is, a function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is injective if $\forall x, y \in A, f(x) = f(y) \Rightarrow x = y$ or $\forall x, y \in A, x \neq y \Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)$.

(iv) A function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is **onto** or **surjective** if $f(A) = B$, that is, each element of B appears at least once as the image of an element of A . That is, a function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is surjective if $\forall y \in B, \exists x \in A$ such that $f(x) = y$.

(v) A function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is **bijective** iff it is one-to-one and onto.

Remark 1.1.10: Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function and $A \subseteq X$. If $y \in f(A)$, then not necessary $f^{-1}(y) \subseteq A$.

Example 1.1.11.

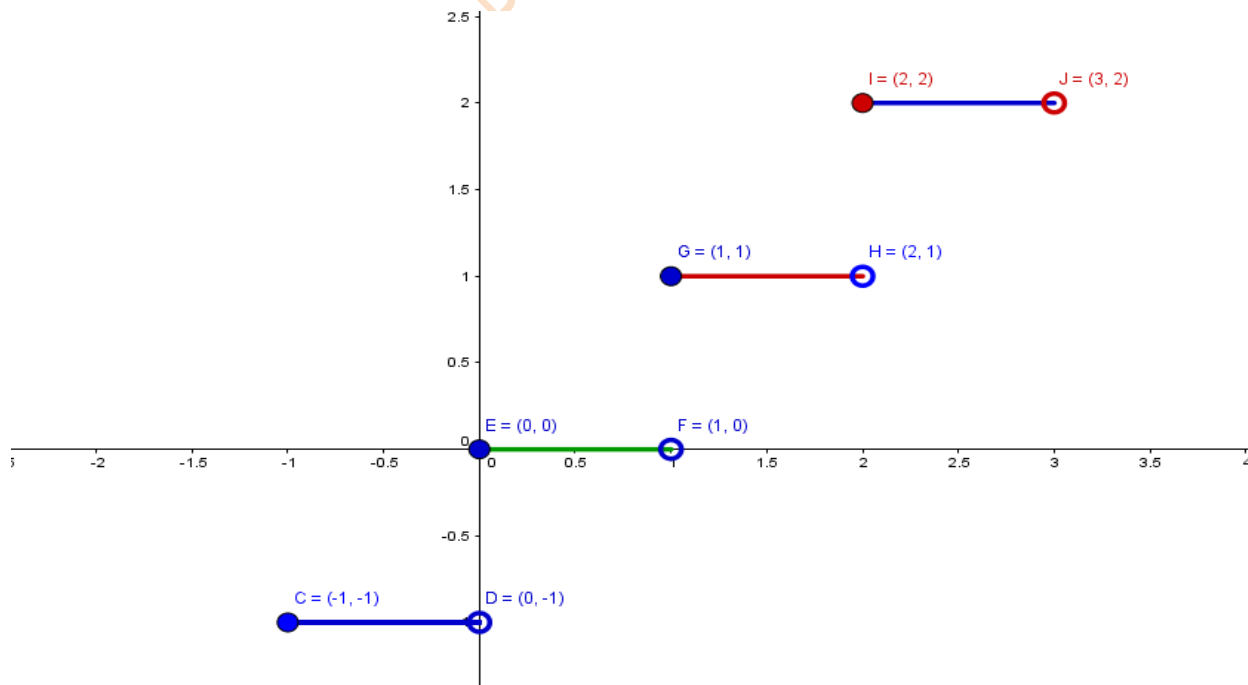
(i) Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = x^4 - 1. f^{-1}(15) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}: x^4 - 1 = 15\}$
 $= \{x \in \mathbb{R}: x^4 = 16\} = \{-2, 2\}.$

(ii) Let f be a function defined as follows: $f(x) = \begin{cases} -1, & -1 \leq x < 0 \\ 0, & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 1, & 1 \leq x < 2 \\ 2, & 2 \leq x < 3 \end{cases}.$

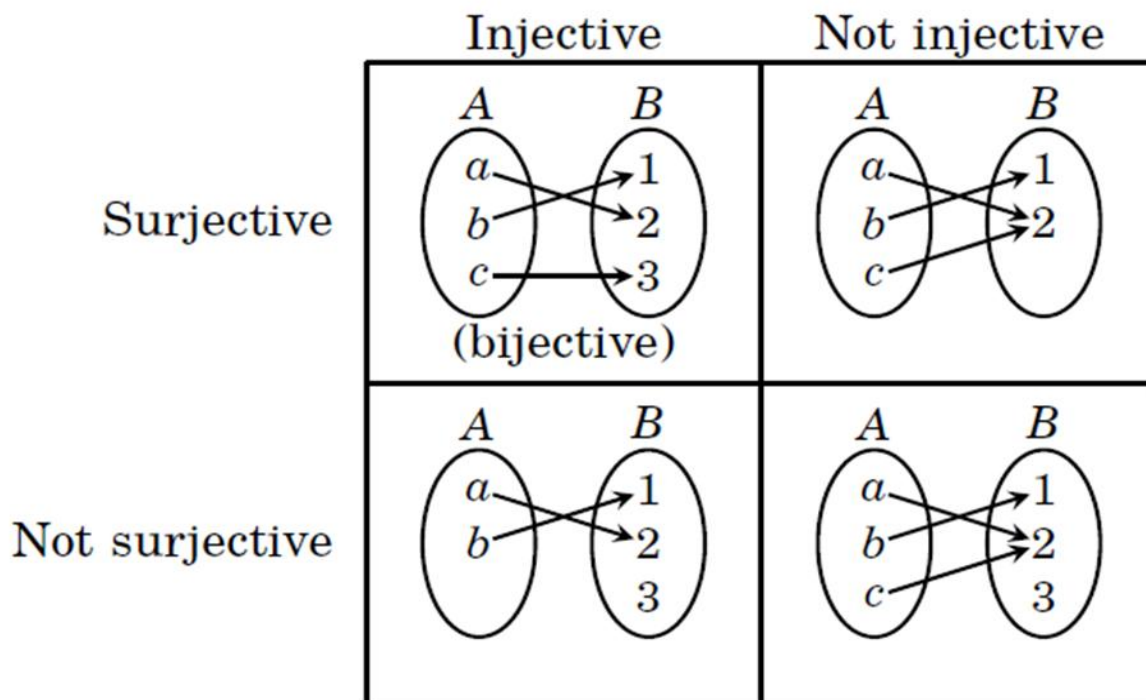
$D(f) = [-1, 3), R(f) = \{-1, 0, 1, 2\}.$

$f([-1, -1/2]) = -1. f([-1, 0]) = \{-1, 0\}.$

$f^{-1}(0) = [0, 1). f^{-1}([1, 3/2]) = [1, 2).$



(iii)



(iv) Let $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be a function defined as $f(x) = 3x + 7$.

$$f = \{\dots, (-3, -2), (-2, 1), (-1, 4), (0, 7), (1, 10), (2, 13), \dots\}.$$

(a) f is injective. Suppose otherwise; that is,

$$f(x) = f(y) \Rightarrow 3x + 7 = 3y + 7 \Rightarrow 3x = 3y \Rightarrow x = y$$

(b) f is not surjective. For $b = 2$ there is no a such that $f(a) = b$; that is, $2 = 3a + 7$ holds for $a = -\frac{5}{3}$ which is not in $\mathbb{Z} = D(f)$.

(v) Show that the function $f: \mathbb{R} - \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as $f(x) = (1/x) + 1$ is injective but not surjective.

Solution:

We will use the contrapositive approach to show that f is injective.

Suppose $x, y \in \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$ and $f(x) = f(y)$. This means

$\frac{1}{x} + 1 = \frac{1}{y} + 1 \rightarrow x = y$. Therefore, f is injective.

Function f is not surjective because there exists an element $b = 1 \in \mathbb{R}$ for which $f(x) = (1/x) + 1 \neq 1$ for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

(vi) Show that the function $f: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ defined by the formula $f(m, n) = (m + n, m + 2n)$, is both injective and surjective.

Solution:

Injective: Let $(m, n), (r, s) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} = \text{Dom}(f)$ such that $f(m, n) = f(r, s)$. To prove $(m, n) = (r, s)$.

- 1- $f(m, n) = f(r, s) \Rightarrow (m + n, m + 2n) = (r + s, r + 2s)$ Hypothesis
- 2- $m + n = r + s$ Def. of \times
- 3- $m + 2n = r + 2s$ Def. of \times
- 4- $m = r + 2s - 2n$ Inf. (3)
- 5- $n = s$ and $m = r$ Inf. (2),(4)
- 6- $(m, n) = (r, s)$ Def. of \times

Surjective: Let $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} = \text{Ran}(f)$. To prove $\exists(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} = \text{Dom}(f) \ni f(m, n) = (x, y)$.

- 1- $f(m, n) = (m + n, m + 2n) = (x, y)$ Def. of f
- 2- $m + n = x$ Def. of \times
- 3- $m + 2n = y$ Def. of \times
- 4- $m = x - n$ Inf. (2)
- 5- $n = y - x$ Inf. (3),(4)
- 6- $m = 2x - y$ Inf. (2),(5)
- 7- $(2x - y, y - x) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} = \text{Dom}(f), f(2x - y, y - x) = (x, y)$

Theorem 1.1.12. Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a function. Then f is bijective iff the inverse relation f^{-1} is a function from B to A .

Proof:

Suppose $f: A \rightarrow B$ is bijective. To prove f^{-1} is a function from B to A .
 $f^{-1} \neq \emptyset$ since f is onto.

(*) Let (y_1, x_1) and $(y_2, x_2) \in f^{-1}$ such that $y_1 = y_2$, to prove $x_1 = x_2$.

(x_1, y_1) and $(x_2, y_2) \in f$ Def. of f^{-1}

(x_1, y_1) and $(x_2, y_1) \in f$ By hypothesis (*)

$x_1 = x_2$ Def. of 1-1 on f

$\therefore f^{-1}$ is a function from B to A .

Conversely, suppose f^{-1} is a function from B to A , to prove $f: A \rightarrow B$ is bijective, that is, 1-1 and onto.

1-1: Let $a, b \in A$ and $f(a) = f(b)$. To prove $a = b$.

$(a, f(a))$ and $(b, f(b)) \in f$ Hypothesis (f is function)

$(a, f(a))$ and $(b, f(a)) \in f$ Hypothesis ($f(a) = f(b)$)

$(f(a), a)$ and $(f(a), b) \in f^{-1}$ Def. of inverse relation f^{-1}

$a = b$ Since f^{-1} is function

$\therefore f$ is 1-1.

onto: Let $b \in B$. To prove $\exists a \in A$ such that $f(a) = b$.

$(b, f^{-1}(b)) \in f^{-1}$ Hypothesis (f^{-1} is a function from B to A)

$(f^{-1}(b), b) \in f$ Def. of inverse relation f^{-1}

Put $a = f^{-1}(b)$.

$a \in A$ and $f(a) = b$ Hypothesis (f is function)

$\therefore f$ is onto.

Definition 1.1.13.

(i) A function $I_A : A \rightarrow A$ defined by $I_A(x) = x$, for every $x \in A$ is called the **identity** function on A . $I_A = \{(x, x) : x \in A\}$.

(ii) Let $A \subseteq X$. A function $i_A : A \rightarrow X$ defined by $i_A(x) = x$, for every $x \in A$ is called the **inclusion** function on A .

Theorem 1.1.14.

If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is a bijective function, then $f \circ f^{-1} = I_Y$ and $f^{-1} \circ f = I_X$.

Proof: Exercise.

Example 1.1.15. Let $f : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ be a function defined as

$$f(m, n) = (m + n, m + 2n).$$

f is bijective (**Exercise**).

To find the inverse f^{-1} formula, let $f(m, n) = (x, y)$. Then

$(m + n, m + 2n) = (x, y)$. So, the we get the following system

$$m + n = x \dots (1)$$

$$m + 2n = y \dots (2)$$

From (1) we get $m = x - n \dots (3)$

$n = y - x$ Inf (2) and (3) (4)

$m = 2x - y$ Rep ($n: y - x$) or sub(4) in (3)

Define f^{-1} as follows

$$f^{-1}(x, y) = (2x - y, y - x).$$

We can check our work by confirming that $f \circ f^{-1} = I_Y$.

$$(f \circ f^{-1})(x, y) = f(2x - y, y - x)$$

$$= ((2x - y) + (y - x), (2x - y) + 2(y - x))$$

$$= (x, 2x - y + 2y - 2x) = (x, y) = I_Y(x, y)$$

Remark 1.1.16. If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is one-to-one but not onto, then one can still define an inverse function $f^{-1}: \text{Ran}(f) \rightarrow X$ whose domain is the range of f .

Theorem 1.1.17. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function.

(i) If $\{Y_j \subseteq Y : j \in J\}$ is a collection of subsets of Y , then

$$f^{-1}(\cup_{j \in J} Y_j) = \cup_{j \in J} f^{-1}(Y_j) \text{ and } f^{-1}(\cap_{j \in J} Y_j) = \cap_{j \in J} f^{-1}(Y_j)$$

(ii) If $\{X_i \subseteq X : i \in I\}$ is a collection of subsets of X , then

$$f(\cup_{i \in I} X_i) = \cup_{i \in I} f(X_i) \text{ and } f(\cap_{i \in I} X_i) \subseteq \cap_{i \in I} f(X_i).$$

(iii) If A and B are subsets of X such that $A = B$, then $f(A) = f(B)$. The converse is not true.

(iv) If C and D are subsets of Y such that $C = D$, then $f^{-1}(C) = f^{-1}(D)$. The converse is not true.

(v) If A and B are subsets of X , then $f(A) - f(B) \subseteq f(A - B)$. The converse is not true.

(vi) If C and D are subsets of Y , then $f^{-1}(C) - f^{-1}(D) = f^{-1}(C - D)$.

Proof:

(i) Let $x \in f^{-1}(\cup_{j \in J} Y_j)$.

$\exists y \in \cup_{j \in J} Y_j$ such that $f(x) = y$ Def. of inverse image

$y \in Y_j$ for some $j \in J$ ($f(x) \in Y_j$ for some $j \in J$) Def. of \cup

$x \in f^{-1}(Y_j)$ Def. of inverse image

so $x \in \cup_{j \in J} f^{-1}(Y_j)$ Def. of \cup

It follows that $f^{-1}(\cup_{j \in J} Y_j) \subseteq \cup_{j \in J} f^{-1}(Y_j)$ Def. of \subseteq (*)

Conversely,

If $x \in \cup_{j \in J} f^{-1}(Y_j)$, then $x \in f^{-1}(Y_j)$, for some $j \in J$ Def. of \cup

So $f(x) \in Y_j$ and $f(x) \in \bigcup_{j \in J} Y_j$ Def. of inverse and U

$x \in f^{-1}(\bigcup_{j \in J} Y_j)$ Def. of inverse f^{-1}

It follow that $\bigcup_{j \in J} f^{-1}(Y_j) \subseteq f^{-1}(\bigcup_{j \in J} Y_j)$ Def. of \subseteq (**)

$\therefore f^{-1}(\bigcup_{j \in J} Y_j) = \bigcup_{j \in J} f^{-1}(Y_j)$ From (*), (**) and Def. of =

Example 1.1.18. Let $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be a function defined as $f(x) = 1$.

$\mathbb{Z}_e \cap \mathbb{Z}_o = \emptyset$. $f(\mathbb{Z}_e \cap \mathbb{Z}_o) = f(\emptyset) = \emptyset$. But $f(\mathbb{Z}_e) \cap f(\mathbb{Z}_o) = \{1\}$.

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2. Types of Function

Definitions 1.2.1.

(i) (Constant Function)

The function $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be **constant function** if there exist a unique element $b \in Y$ such that $f(x) = b$ for all $x \in X$.

(ii) (Restriction Function)

Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function and $A \subseteq X$. Then the function $g: A \rightarrow Y$ defined by $g(x) = f(x)$ all $x \in A$ is said to be **restriction function** of f and denoted by $g = f|_A$.

(iii) (Extension Function)

Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a function and $A \subseteq X$. Then the function $g: X \rightarrow B$ defined by $g(x) = f(x)$ all $x \in A$ is said to be **extension function** of f from A to X .

(iv) (Absolute Value Function)

The function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which defined as follows

$$f(x) = |x| = \begin{cases} x, & x \geq 0 \\ -x & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

is called the **absolute value function**.

(v) (Permutation Function)

Every bijection function f on a non empty set A is said to be **permutation** on A .

(vi) (Sequence)

Let A be a non empty set. A function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$ is called a sequence in A and denoted by $\{f_n\}$, where $f_n = f(n)$.

(vii) (Canonical Function)

Let A be a non empty set, R an equivalence relation on A and A/R be the set of all equivalence class. The function $\pi: A \rightarrow A/R$ defined by $\pi(x) = [x]$ is called the **canonical function**.

(viii) (Projection Function)

Let A_1, A_2 be two sets. The function $P_1: A_1 \times A_2 \rightarrow A_1$ defined by $P_1(x, y) = x$ for all $(x, y) \in A_1 \times A_2$ is called the **first projection**.

The function $P_2: A_1 \times A_2 \rightarrow A_2$ defined by $P_2(x, y) = y$ for all $(x, y) \in A_1 \times A_2$ is called the **second projection**.

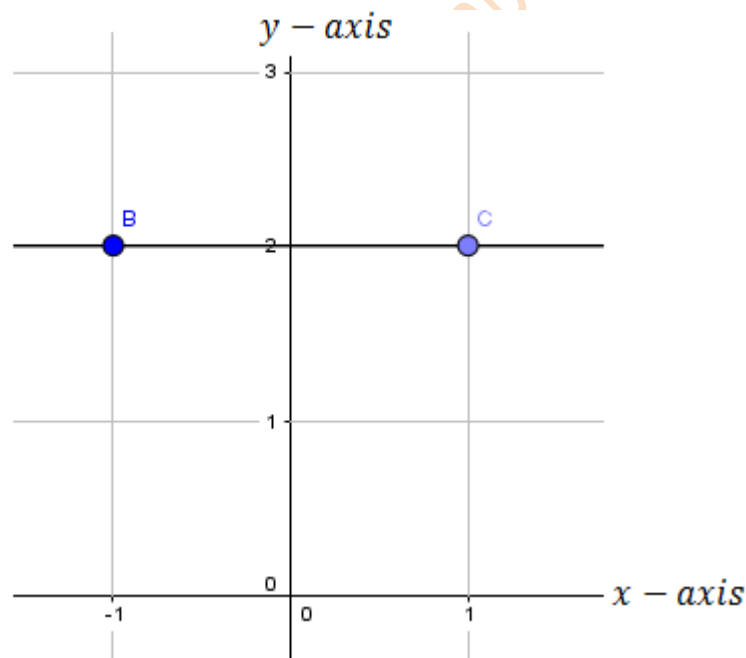
(ix) (Cross Product of Functions)

Let $f: A_1 \rightarrow A_2$ and $g: B_1 \rightarrow B_2$ be two functions. The cross product of f with g , $f \times g: A_1 \times B_1 \rightarrow A_2 \times B_2$ is the function defined as follows:

$$(f \times g)(x, y) = (f(x), g(y)) \text{ for all } (x, y) \in A_1 \times B_1.$$

Examples 1.2.2.

(i)(Constant Function). $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = 2, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$. $Dom(f) = \mathbb{R}, Ran(f) = \{2\}, Cod(f) = \mathbb{R}$.

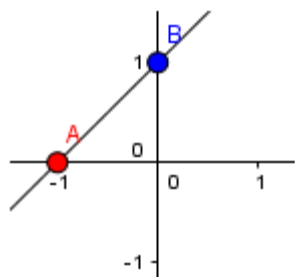


(ii) (Restriction Function). $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = x + 1, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.

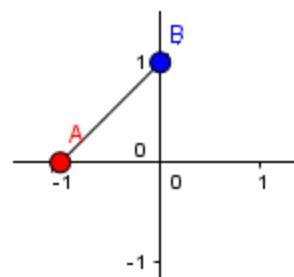
$Dom(f) = \mathbb{R}, Ran(f) = \mathbb{R}, Cod(f) = \mathbb{R}$. Let $A = [-1, 0]$.

$g = f|_A: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}. g(x) = f(x) = x + 1, \forall x \in A$.

$$D(g) = A, R(g) = [0,1], \text{Cod}(g) = \mathbb{R}.$$



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



$$g = f|_A$$

(iii) (Extension Function). $f: [-1,0] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = x + 1, \forall x \in [-1,0]$.

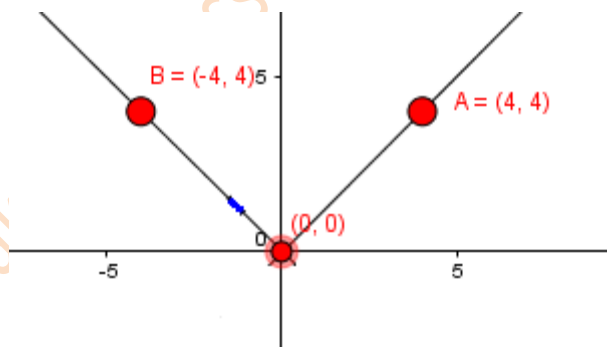
$$\text{Dom}(f) = [-1,0], R(f) = [0,1], \text{Cod}(f) = \mathbb{R}.$$

Let $A = \mathbb{R}. g: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}. g(x) = f(x) = x + 1, \forall x \in A.$

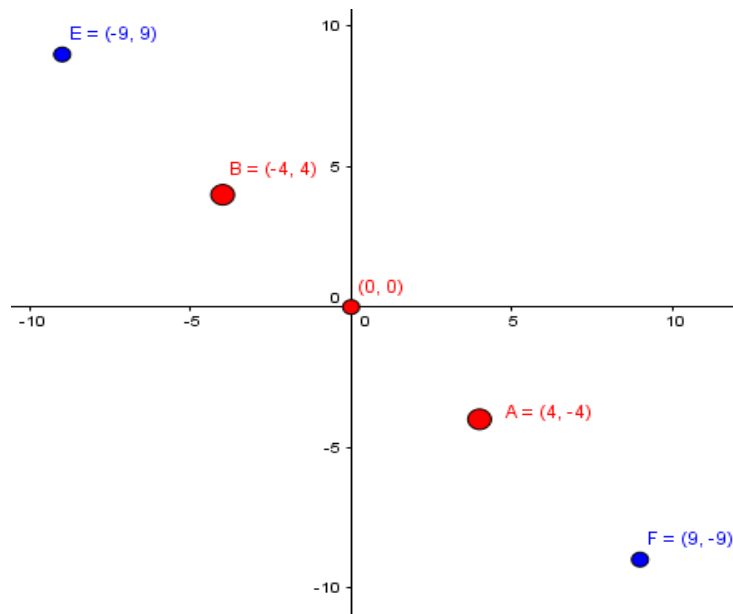
$$D(g) = A, R(g) = \mathbb{R}, \text{Cod}(g) = \mathbb{R}.$$

(iv) (Absolute Value Function) $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = |x| = \begin{cases} x, & x \geq 0 \\ -x & x < 0 \end{cases}$

$$\text{Dom}(f) = \mathbb{R}, R(f) = [0, \infty), \text{Cod}(f) = \mathbb{R}.$$



(v) (Permutation Function). $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}, f(x) = -x, \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}.$ The function is bijective, so it is permutation function. $\text{Dom}(f) = \mathbb{Z}, \text{Ran}(f) = \mathbb{Z}, \text{Cod}(f) = \mathbb{Z}.$



(vi) (Sequence). $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}, f(n) = \frac{1}{n}, \forall x \in \mathbb{N}. \{f_n\} = \left\{\frac{1}{n}\right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$.

(vii) (Canonical Function). Let R be an equivalence relation defined on \mathbb{Z} as follows:

xRy iff $x - y$ is even integer, that is, $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}: x - y \text{ even}\}$.

$[0] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}: x - 0 \text{ even}\} = \{\dots, -4, -2, 0, 2, 4, \dots\} = [2] = [-2] = \dots$

$[1] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}: x - 1 \text{ even}\} = \{\dots, -5, -3, -1, 1, 3, 5, \dots\} = [-1] = [3] = \dots$

$\mathbb{Z}/R = \{[0], [1]\}$.

$\pi(0) = [0] = \pi(2) = \pi(-2) = \dots$

$\pi(1) = [1] = \pi(-1) = \pi(-3) = \dots$

(viii) (Projection Function)

$P_1: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}, P_1(x, y) = x$ for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Q}. P_1\left(2, \frac{2}{5}\right) = 2. P_1\left(\mathbb{Z}, \frac{2}{5}\right) = \mathbb{Z}$.

$P_1^{-1}(3) = \{3\} \times \mathbb{Q}$.

(ix) (Cross Product of Functions)

$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}, f(n) = \frac{1}{n}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}, f(x) = -x, \forall x \in \mathbb{N}$

$$f \times g: \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Z}, (f \times g)(x, y) = (f(x), g(y))$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{x}, -y\right) \text{ for all } (x, y) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}.$$

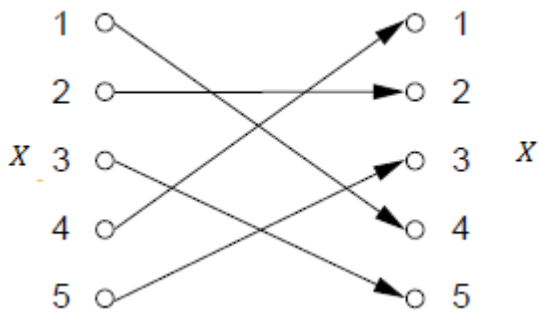
(x) (Involution Function)

Let X be a finite set and let f be a bijection from X to X (that is, $f: X \rightarrow X$).

The function f is called an *involution* if $f = f^{-1}$. An equivalent way of stating this is

$$f(f(x)) = x \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

The figure below is an example of an involution on a set X of five elements. In the diagram of an involution, note that if j is the image of i then i is the image of j .



Exercise 1.2.3.

(i) Let R be an equivalence relation defined on \mathbb{N} as follows:

$$R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} : x - y \text{ divisible by } 3\}.$$

1- Find \mathbb{N}/R .

2- Find $\pi([0])$, $\pi([1])$, $\pi^{-1}([2])$.

(ii) Prove that: the Projection function is onto but not injective.

(iii) Prove that: the Identity function is bijective.

(iv) Prove that: the inclusion function is bijective onto its image.

(v) Let $f: A_1 \rightarrow A_2$ and $g: B_1 \rightarrow B_2$ be two functions. If f and g are both 1-1 (onto), then $f \times g$ is 1-1(onto).

(vi) If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a bijective function, then f^{-1} is bijective function.

(vii) If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a bijective function, then

1- $f \circ f^{-1} = I_Y$ is bijective function. 2- $f^{-1} \circ f = I_X$ is bijective function.

(viii) Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow X$ be functions. If $g \circ f = I_X$, then f is injective and g is onto.

(ix) Let $f: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function defined as follows:

$$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2.$$

1- Find the $f(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R})$ (image of f).

2- Find $f^{-1}([0,1])$.

3- Does f 1-1 or onto?

4- Let $A = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} : x = \sqrt{2 - y^2}\}$. Find $f(A)$.