

RELATIONS AND FUNCTIONS

✓ **Cartesian product** : Given two non-empty sets P and Q . The cartesian product $P \times Q$ is the set of all ordered pairs of elements from P and Q i.e., $P \times Q = \{(p, q) : p \in P, q \in Q\}$

If either P or Q is the null set, then $P \times Q$ will also be empty set, i.e. $P \times Q = \emptyset$

If $A = \{a_1, a_2\}$ and $B = \{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4\}$ then $A \times B = \{(a_1, b_1), (a_1, b_2), (a_1, b_3), (a_1, b_4), (a_2, b_1), (a_2, b_2), (a_2, b_3), (a_2, b_4)\}$

📍 **Note** : (i) Two ordered pairs are equal, if and only if the corresponding first elements are equal and the second elements are also equal.

(ii) If $n(A) = p$ and $n(B) = q$, then $n(A \times B) = pq$.

(iii) If A and B are non-empty sets and either A or B is an infinite set then, $A \times B$ is also an infinite set.

(iv) $A \times A \times A = \{(a, b, c) : a, b, c \in A\}$. Here (a, b, c) is called an ordered triplet.

✓ **Relations** :

A Relation R from a non-empty set A to a non-empty set B is a subset of the cartesian product $A \times B$. The subset is defined by describing a relationship between the first element and the second element of the ordered pairs in $A \times B$. The second element is called the image of the first element.

Domain : The set of all first elements of the ordered pairs in a relation R from a set A to a set B is called the domain of the relation R .

Range : The set of all second elements in a relation R from a set A to set B is called the range of the relation R .

Codomain : The whole set B is called the codomain of the relation R .

$$\text{range} \subseteq \text{codomain.}$$

📍 **Note** : A Relation R from A to A is also stated as a relation on A .

📍 **Note** : If $n(A) = p$ and $n(B) = q$,

then, $n(A \times B) = pq$

the total no. of relations is $= 2^{pq}$

✓ **function** : A relation f from a set A to a set B is said to be a function if every element of set A has one and only one image in set B .

If f is a function from A to B and $(a, b) \in f$, then b is called the image of a under f and a is called the preimage of b under f . The function f from A to B is denoted by $f: A \rightarrow B$

✓ **Real valued function** : A function which has either \mathbb{R} or one of its subsets as its range is called a real valued function

✓ **Some functions** :

1. **Identity function** : Let \mathbb{R} be the set of real numbers. Define the real valued function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $y = f(x) = x$ for each $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Such a function is called the identity function.

2. **Constant function** : Define the function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $y = f(x) = c$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ where c is a constant and each $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Here domain of f is \mathbb{R} and its range is $\{c\}$.

3. **Polynomial function** : A function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be polynomial function if for each x in \mathbb{R} ,
 $y = f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$, where n is a non-negative integer and $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$.

4. **Rational function** : Rational functions are functions of the type $\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$, where $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are polynomial functions of x defined in a domain, where $g(x) \neq 0$.

5. **The modulus function** : The function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = |x|$ for each $x \in \mathbb{R}$ is called modulus function

6. **Signum function** : The function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } x = 0 \\ -1, & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$ is called the signum function

7. **Greatest integer function** : The function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = [x]$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ assumes the value of the greatest integer, less than or equal to x . Such a function is called the greatest integer function.

✓ Algebra of real functions : Let $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ & $g: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

1. Addition of two real functions : $(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$ for all $x \in X$

2. Subtraction of a real function from another : $(f-g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$ for all $x \in X$

3. Multiplication by a scalar : $(\alpha f)(x) = \alpha f(x)$, $x \in X$

4. Multiplication of two real functions : $(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x)$ for all $x \in X$ (pointwise multiplication)

5. Quotient of two real functions : $\left[\frac{f}{g}\right](x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$, provided $g(x) \neq 0$, $x \in X$.