

COLLEGE ALGEBRA

GPS #1

1.1 FUNCTIONS AND MODELS

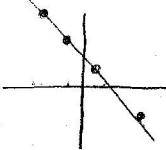
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Useful Definitions: Let X and Y be two nonempty sets.

- * A relation is a set of ordered pairs. For example: $\{(-1, 4), (-3, 5), (1, 2), (7, -2)\}$
- * A function is a relation in which, for each value of the first component of the ordered pairs, there is exactly one value of the second component.
- * A function from X into Y is a relation that associates with each element of X exactly one element of Y .
- * In a relation, the set of all values of the independent variable is the domain; the set of all values of the dependent variable is the range.
- * Vertical Line Test: If every vertical line intersects the graph of a relation only once, the relation is a function.

1. State whether each relation defines a function and give the domain and range.

a) $\{(-1, 4), (-3, 5), (1, 2), (7, -2)\}$

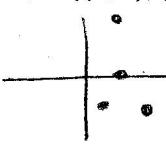


Function

$$d: \{-1, -3, 1, 7\}$$

$$r: \{4, 5, 2, -2\}$$

b) $\{(2, 7), (3, -4), (2, 0), (1, -2)\}$



not a function

$$d: \{2, 3, 1\}$$

$$r: \{7, -4, 0, -2\}$$

2. Use "vertical line test" to check whether each relation defines y as a function of x . Give the domain.

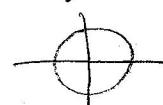
a) $y = x^2$



Function

$$d: (-\infty, \infty)$$

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



Not a function

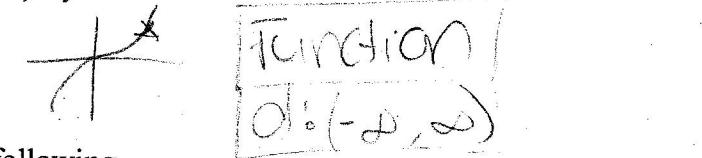
$$d: [-1, 1]$$

c) $x = y^2$



Not a function

$$d: [0, \infty)$$



Function

$$d: (-\infty, \infty)$$

3. Let $f(x) = -2x + 3$ and $g(x) = -\frac{1}{4}x^2 + 3x + 1$. Find the following.

a) $f(1) = -2(1) + 3 = f(1) = 1$

b) $g(-2) = -\frac{1}{4}(-2)^2 + 3(-2) + 1 = g(-2) = -6$

c) $f(m) = -2(m) + 3 \Rightarrow f(m) = -2m + 3$

d) $g(-x) = -\frac{1}{4}(-x)^2 + 3(-x) + 1 = g(-x) = -\frac{1}{4}x^2 - 3x + 1$

e) $f(x+1) = -2(x+1) + 3 = f(x+1) = -2x + 1$

e) $g(-k) = -\frac{1}{4}(-k)^2 + 3(-k) + 1 = g(-k) = -\frac{1}{4}k^2 - 3k + 1$

f) $f(x+h) - f(x) = -2(x+h) + 3 - (-2x + 3)$
 $= -2x - 2h + 3 + 2x - 3$
 $= f(x+h) - f(x) = -2h$

g) $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = \frac{-2h}{h} = -2$

$\Rightarrow \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} = -2$

4. Find the domain of each of the following functions:

a) $f(x) = x^2 + 5$

$$d: (-\infty, \infty)$$

b) $g(x) = \frac{1}{4}x - 3$

$$d: (-\infty, \infty)$$

c) $r(t) = \frac{2t}{t^2 - 9} \quad (t-3)(t+3)=0$

$$d: \{t | t \neq \pm 3\}$$

b) $h(u) = \sqrt{10 - 2u}$

$$d: (-\infty, 5]$$