

Lesson 1: Relations

Lesson Objective:

Dear learner, at the end of this lesson you will be able to:

- define relations
- write domain and range of a relation in interval notation, inequalities and set notation

Brainstorming Activities:

Dear learner can you give the correct answer for the following activity?

Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $B = \{$

Definition:

- **Given two sets A and B, any set $R = \{ (x, y) : x \in A \text{ and } y \in B \}$, is called a relation from set A to set B**

Example: 1

1. Let $A = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$ and, $B = \{6, 8\}$ and R be the relation “less than” from A to B . Then,
 $R = \{ (1, 6), (1, 8), (3, 6), (3, 8), (5, 6), (5, 8), (7, 8) \}$.
2. Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ and, $B = \{a, b, c\}$. The following are relations from A to B
 - i) $R_1 = \{(1, a)\}$
 - ii) $R_2 = \{(2, b), (3, b), (4, c), (5, a)\}$
 - iii) $R_3 = \{(1, a), (2, b), (3, c)\}$

Note: A relation is the set of ordered pairs

1.1.Domain and Range of relations

Given a relation R from set A to B;

Domain of R: the set of all the first components of the elements of R.

$Dom(R) = \{x \in A \mid (x, y) \in R \text{ for some } y \in B\}$

Range of R: the set of all the second components of the elements of R

$Ran(R) = \{y \in B \mid (x, y) \in R \text{ for some } x \in A\}$.

Example: 2

1. In a certain city there are 5 secondary schools. the number of mathematics teachers taught in each school are listed in the table as shown below:

School Name	Number of math teachers
School 1	23
School 2	18
School 3	27
School 4	19
School 5	31

Table 1.1:

- Find the relation defined by the given table ?
- Determine domain and range of the relation?

Solution:

a). In the table school names are the first components while number of mathematics teachers are taken to be the second components of the relation, then

$$R = \{(\text{school 1}, 23), (\text{school 2}, 18), (\text{school 3}, 27), (\text{school 4}, 19), (\text{school 5}, 31)\}$$

b). Domain (R) = {school 1, school 2, school 3, school 4, school 5}

$$\text{Range (R)} = \{18, 19, 23, 27, 31\}$$

- Let R is a relation defined as $R = \{(x, y): y = 2x^2 - 1\}$ for $x \in \{-2, -1, -0.1, 0, 1, 2\}$ then Find domain and range of R?

Solution:

Let the value of x be any real number and y is determined by substituting x in the formula $y = 2x^2 - 1$ as follows:

$$\text{When } x = -2, y = 2(-2)^2 - 1 = 8 - 1 = 7$$

$$\text{When } x = -1, y = 2(-1)^2 - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1$$

$$\text{When } x = -0.1, y = 2(-0.1)^2 - 1 = 0.02 - 1 = -0.98$$

$$\text{When } x = 0, y = 2(0)^2 - 1 = 0 - 1 = -1$$

$$\text{When } x = 1, y = 2(1)^2 - 1 = 1$$

$$\text{When } x = 2, y = 2(2)^2 - 1 = 7$$

$$\text{Then } R = \{(-2, 7), (-1, 1), (-0.1, -0.98), (0, -1), (1, 1), (2, 7)\}$$

$$\text{Domain (R)} = \{-2, -1, -0.1, 0, 1, 2\}$$

$$\text{Range (R)} = \{-1, -0.98, 1, 7\}$$

1.2. Representation of relations

A relation is represented by either of :

- ❖ Set of ordered pairs
- ❖ Correspondence between domain and range
- ❖ Graph
- ❖ Equations
- ❖ An inequality or combination of any of these.

A. Set of ordered pairs:

Example 3: Let R be a relation defined by $R = \{(1, 2), (3, 4), (5, 6)\}$ determine domain and range of R

Solution: Domain = {1, 3, 5} is the set of first components and

Range = {2, 4, 6} is the set of the second components

B. Correspondence between domain and range:

Example 4: A and B are two given sets and the relation from set A to B is given by using the diagram below, determine the relation R and find domain and range ?

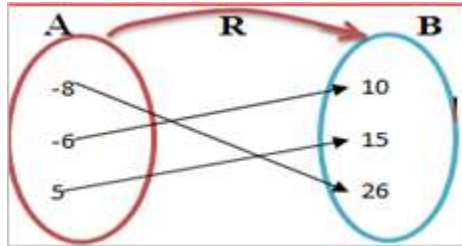


Figure 1.1

Solution: From the given diagram, the relation as a set of ordered pairs is given as:

$R = \{(-8, 26), (-6, 10), (5, 15)\}$ Whereas
Domain = {-8, -6, 5} and Range = {10, 15, 26}

C. Graph:

Example 5: Find the domain and Range of the relation given by the graph below?

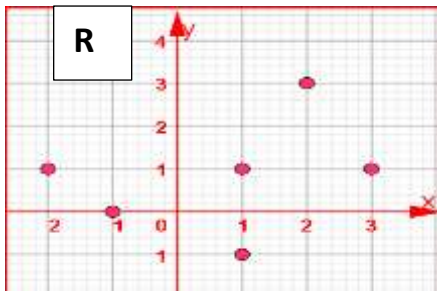


Figure 1.2

Solution :

R is represented as the set of ordered pairs of x and y.

$R = \{(-2, 1), (-1, 0), (1, -1), (1, 1), (2, 3), (3, 1)\}$

And

Domain (R) = {-2, -1, 1, 2, 3}

Range (R) = {-1, 0, 1, 3}

D. Equations

Example 6: A relation R is defined by $R = \{(x, y): x \in R, y \in R \text{ and } y = 3x + 1\}$ find domain and range of R?

Solution:

R is defined as an infinite set of ordered pairs. The first coordinate can be any of the set of real numbers while the second coordinate becomes a real number for which it is

determined by the first coordinate. As $y \in R$, then $x = \frac{y-1}{3} \in R$ or $x \in R$, then $y = 3x + 1 \in R$

Therefore Domain = the set of all real numbers

Range = the set of real numbers

E. Inequalities (region):

Example 7:

Given a. $R = \{(x, y): y \geq x^2 - 1 \text{ and } y = 3\}$

b. $R = \{(x, y): y \leq x + 1, y \leq -x + 1 \text{ and } y > -4\}$

i. Draw the graph of each relation

ii. Find Domain and Range

Solution:

Steps to draw graphs

- ✓ Identify x- intercepts and y- intercepts
- ✓ Identify broken and solid lines
- ✓ Connect intercepts with broken or solid lines
- ✓ Identify shaded region

a. $R = \{(x, y): y \geq x^2 - 1 \text{ and } y \leq 3\}$

Step1: - x and y – intercepts

❖ x – intercept where $y = 0$

$$y = x^2 - 1$$

$$0 = x^2 - 1$$

$$x^2 = 1$$

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

$$x = \pm 1$$

y – intercepts where $x = 0$

$$y = x^2 - 1$$

$$y = 0 - 1$$

$$y = -1$$

Step 2: line type, solid line and draw the graph

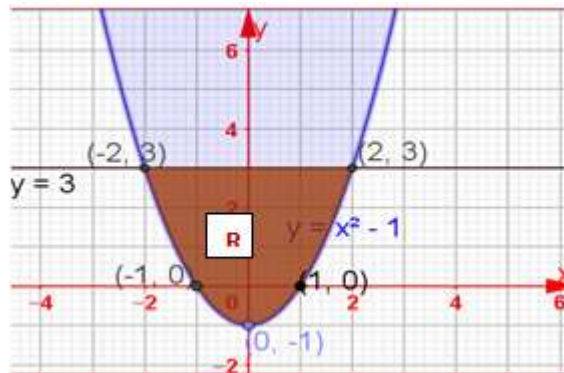


Figure 1.3

Then we just determine domain and range by:

Step 3: Find intersection points:-

$$y = x^2 - 1 \text{ and } y = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 1 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 3 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 4 \text{ then } x = \pm\sqrt{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 2$$

$$\text{Domain of } R = \{x: -2 \leq x \leq 2\}$$

$$\text{Range of } R = \{y: -1 \leq y \leq 3\}$$

b. $R = \{(x, y): y \leq x + 1, y \leq -x + 1 \text{ and } y > -4\}$

Solution:

Intersection point:

$$y = x + 1, y = 1 - x \text{ and } y = -4$$

$$\text{intersection point of lines } y = 1 - x \text{ and } y = -4$$

intersection of lines $y = x + 1$ and $y = 1 - x$ $\Rightarrow -4 = 1 - x \Rightarrow x = 1 + 4 \Rightarrow x = 5$
 $\Rightarrow x + 1 = 1 - x$ *.intersection point* $(5, -4)$
 $\Rightarrow x + x = 1 - 1$
 $\Rightarrow 2x = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ and $y = 0 + 1 \Rightarrow y = 1$
 \Rightarrow *intersection point* $(0, 1)$

Intersection point of lines: $y = x + 1$ and $y = -4$
 $x + 1 = -4 \Rightarrow x = -4 - 1 \Rightarrow x = -5$
 And *intersection point* $(-5, -4)$

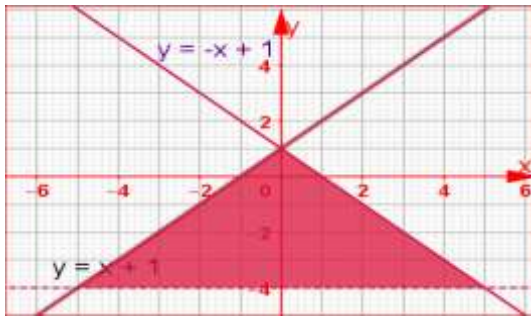


Figure 1.4

Therefore i. domain of $R = \{x: -5 \leq x \leq 5\}$ ii. Range of $R = \{y: -4 < y \leq 1\}$