

MAT2440, Classwork21, Spring2025

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1. The definition of a Function:

Let A and B be nonempty sets. A function f from A to B is an assignment of exactly one element of B to each element of A , denoted by $f: A \xrightarrow{\text{maps}} B$ which is read as f maps A to B . Then we say that A is the domain of f and B is the codomain of f .

2. If $f(a) = b$, we say that b is the image of a and the range of f is the set of all images of elements of A .

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

what is the difference between range and codomain

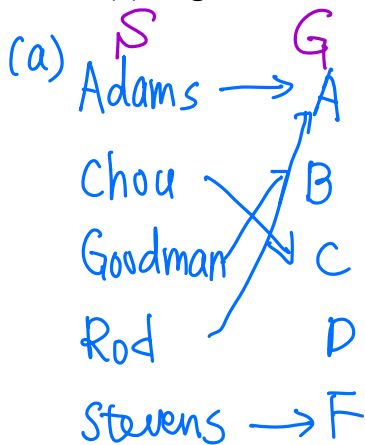
3. Suppose that each student in 2440 is assigned a letter grade from the set $G = \{A, B, C, D, F\}$.

And suppose that grades are A for Adams, C for Chou, B for Goodman, A for Rod, and F for Stevens. Let $S = \{\text{Adams, Chou, Goodman, Rod, Stevens}\}$ be the set of the students.

(a) Is $f: S \rightarrow G$ a function?

(b) What is the domain, range, and codomain of f ?

(c) Is $g: G \rightarrow S$ a function?

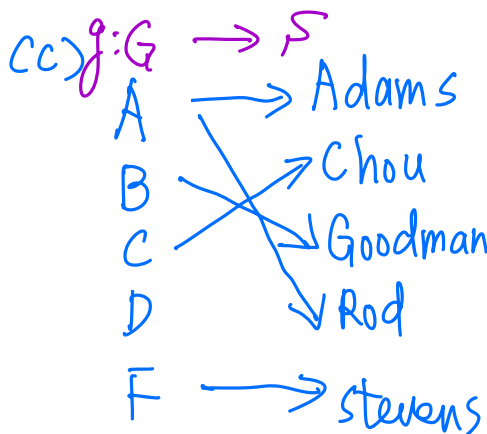


(b)

domain: $= S$

range: $= \{A, B, C, F\}$

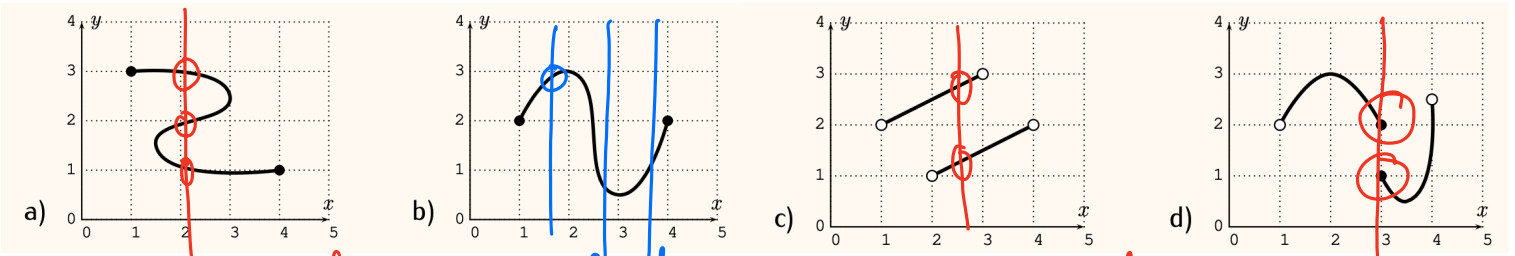
codomain: $= \{A, B, C, D, F\}$



Yes, f is a function

NO, g is NOT a function

4. Use **Vertical Line Test** to determine which of the following are the graphs of functions.



NOT a function

a function
(at most one intersection point per vertical line)

NOT a function

NOT a function

5. The definition of a One-to-One Function:

A function f is said to be One-to-One, or an injection, if and only if $f(a) = f(b)$ implies that $a = b$ for all a and b in the domain of f and we say f is **injective**. Hence, we have

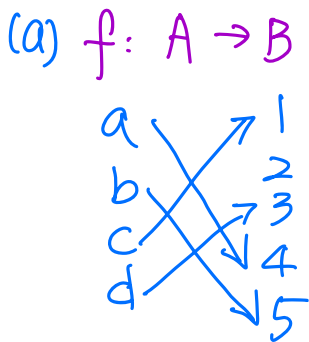
$$\forall a \forall b (f(a) = f(b) \rightarrow \underline{a=b}) \text{ or } \forall a \forall b (a \neq b \rightarrow \underline{f(a) \neq f(b)})$$

One-to-one function means different inputs will produce different outputs.

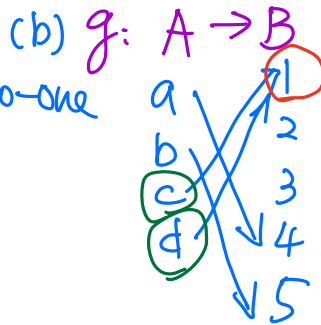
6. Let $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$ and $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$.

(a) Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ with $f(a) = 4, f(b) = 5, f(c) = 1$, and $f(d) = 3$. Is f one-to-one?

(b) Let $g: A \rightarrow B$ with $g(a) = 4, g(b) = 5, g(c) = 1$, and $g(d) = 1$. Is g one-to-one?



Yes, f is one-to-one



NO; g is NOT one-to-one
(an output has two inputs)

7. Is $f(x) = x^2$ a one-to-one function?

Is $a \neq b \rightarrow f(a) \neq f(b)$ for all real number?

Sol: Here is a counterexample when $a=1, b=-1$ ($a \neq b$)

$$f(a) = f(1) = 1^2 = 1$$

$$(a=2, b=-2)$$

$$f(b) = f(-1) = (-1)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow f(a) = f(b)$$

Therefore, it implies that $f(x) = x^2$ is NOT one-to-one.

• To prove f is NOT one-to-one:

need to provide a counterexample to show $a \neq b$, but $f(a) = f(b)$

• To prove f is one-to-one:

need to show $\forall a \forall b (f(a) = f(b) \rightarrow a = b)$

For example, to show $f(x) = 2x + 1$ is one to one, we assume

$f(a) = f(b)$ which implies $2a + 1 = 2b + 1$ for $\overset{\text{arbitrary}}{a, b}$ in the domain of f .

Then, we have $2a + 1 = 2b + 1$

$$\Rightarrow 2a = 2b$$

$$\Rightarrow a = b \quad \text{for arbitrary } a, b \text{ in domain of } f.$$

Therefore, since a, b are arbitrary and $f(a) = f(b)$ implies $a = b$,
then $f(x) = 2x + 1$ is one-to-one