

CHAPTER 1

RELATIONS AND FUNCTION

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1. Consider the relation R in the set N of natural numbers defined as

$$R = \{(a, b) : ab \text{ is a factor of } 6\}.$$
 Determine

whether the relation is reflexive, symmetric or transitive. (3)

2. Consider the binary operation $*$ on the set R of real numbers, defined real numbers, defined by

$$a * b = \frac{ab}{4}.$$

- a) Prove that $*$ is commutative and associative (2)
- b) Find the identity element of $*$ on R (1)
- c) Find the inverse of 5. (1)

3. Let $A = N \times N$ and $*$ be a binary operation on A defined by $(a, b) * (c, d) = (a + c, b + d)$

- a) Find $(1, 2) * (2, 3)$ (1)
- b) Prove that $*$ is commutative. (1)
- c) Prove that $*$ is commutative. (2)

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4. If $f(x) = \frac{x}{x-1}, x \neq 1$

- a) Find $f \circ f(x)$ (2)
- b) Find the inverse of f . (1)

5. Let $A = N \times N$ and $*$ be a binary operation on A defined by $(a, b) * (c, d) = (a + c, b + d)$

- a) Find $(1, 2) * (2, 3)$ (1)

- b) Prove that $*$ is commutative. (1)

- c) Prove that $*$ is commutative. (2)

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6. a) If $R = \{(x, y) : x, y \in Z, x - y \in Z\}$, then the relation R is

- a) Reflexive but not transitive
- b) Reflexive but not symmetric
- c) Symmetric but not transitive
- d) an Equivalence relation (1)

- b) Let $*$ be a binary operation on the set Q of rational numbers by $a * b = 2a + b$
Find $2 * (3 * 4)$ and $(2 * 3) * 4$ (2)

- c) Let $f : R \rightarrow R, g : R \rightarrow R$ be two one- one function. Check whether $g \circ f$ is one-one or not. (2)

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7. a) Let R be a relation defined on $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ by $R = \{(1, 3), (3, 1), (2, 2)\}$. R is

- a) Reflexive b) Symmetric
- c) Transitive d) Reflexive but not transitive (1)

- b) Find $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$ if $f(x) = |x + 1|$ and $g(x) = 2x - 1$ (2)

- c) Let $*$ be a binary operation defined on $N \times N$ by $(a, b) * (c, d) = (a + c, b + d)$.
Find the identity element for $*$ if it exists. (2)

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8. a) If $f : R \rightarrow R$ and $g : R \rightarrow R$ defined by $f(x) = x^2$ and $g(x) = x + 1$, then $g \circ f(x)$ is

- i) $(x + 1)^2$ ii) $x^3 + 1$
- iii) $x^2 + 1$ iv) $x + 1$ (1)

b) Consider the function $f : N \rightarrow N$, given by

$f(x) = x^3$. Show that the function f is injective but not surjective. (2)

c) The given table shown an operation $*$ on

$$A = \{p, q\}$$

$*$	p	q
p	p	q
q	p	q

i) Is $*$ a binary operation on A ?

ii) Is $*$ commutative? Give reason. (2)

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9. a) The function given $f : N \rightarrow N$, by

$$f(x) = 2x \text{ is} \quad (1)$$

i. one-one and onto

ii. one-one but not onto

iii. not one-one and not onto

iv. onto, but not one-one

b) Find $gof(x)$, if $f(x) = 8x^3$ and $g(x) = x^{1/3}$. (2)

c) Let $*$ be an operation such that $a * b = \text{LCM of } a \text{ and } b$ defined on the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. Is $*$ binary operation? Justify your answer. (2)

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10. a) When a relation R on set A is said to be reflexive? (1)

b) Find gof and fog , if $f(x) = 8x^3$ and $g(x) = x^{\frac{1}{3}}$. (2)

c) Show that $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow R$ is given by $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+2}$ is one-one. (2)

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11. a) What is the minimum number of ordered pairs to form a non-zero reflexive relation on a set of n elements? (1)

b) On the set R of real numbers, S is a relation defined as

$S = \{(x, y) \mid x \in R, y \in R, x + y = xy\}$. Find $a \in R$ such that 'a' is never the first element of an ordered pair in S . Also find $b \in R$ such that 'b' is never the second element of an ordered pair in S . (2)

c) Consider the function $f(x) = \frac{3x+4}{x-2}, x \neq 2$.

Find a function $g(x)$ on a suitable domain such that $(gof)(x) = x = (fog)(x)$. (2)

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12. a) Let $f : R \rightarrow R$ be given by $f(x) = \frac{2x+1}{3}$. Find fof and show that f is invertible. (2)

b) Find the identity element of the binary operation $*$ on N defined by $a * b = ab^2$. (2)

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13. a) Let R be the relation on the set N of the natural numbers given by

$R = \{(a, b) : a - b > 2, b > 3\}$. Choose the correct answer. (1)

A) $(4, 1) \in R$ B) $(5, 8) \in R$

C) $(8, 7) \in R$ D) $(10, 6) \in R$

b) If $f(x) = 8x^3$ and $g(x) = x^{1/3}$, Find $g(f(x))$ and $f(g(x))$. (2)

c) Let $*$ be a binary operation on the set Q of rational numbers defined by $a * b = \frac{ab}{3}$. Check whether $*$ is commutative and associative? (2)

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14. Consider the set $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$,
 $B = \{1, 4, 9, 16, 25\}$ and a function $f : A \rightarrow B$
 defined by $f(1) = 1, f(3) = 9, f(4) = 16$ and
 $f(5) = 25$

- Show that f is one-to-one. (2)
- Show that f is onto. (2)
- Does f^{-1} exist? Explain. (1)

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15. Consider $f : R \rightarrow R$ given by $f(x) = 5x + 2$.

- Show that f is one-to-one. (1)
- Is f invertible? Justify your answer. (2)
- Let $*$ be a binary operation on N defined by
 $a * b = \text{HCF of } a \text{ and } b$.
 - Is $*$ commutative? (1)
 - Is $*$ associative? (1)

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- $*$: $R \times R \rightarrow R$ is given by $a * b = 3a^2 - b$. Find the value of $2 * 3$. Is $*$ commutative? Justify your answer. (2)
- If $f : R \rightarrow R$ is defined by
 $f(x) = x^2 - 3x + 2$, find $(f \circ f)(x)$ and
 $(f \circ f)(1)$. (3)

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- Give an example of a relation on a set
 $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, which is reflexive, symmetric
 but not transitive. (1)

- Show that $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow R$ is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{x+2} \text{ is one-one. (2)}$$

- Let $*$ be a binary operation on Q^+ defined
 by $a * b = \frac{ab}{6}$. Find inverse of 9 with
 respect to $*$. (2)

SAY 2011

- Let N be the set of natural numbers. Consider the
 function $f : N \rightarrow N$ defined by

$$f(x) = x + 1, x \in N$$

- Prove that f is not an onto function. (2)
- If $g(x) = \begin{cases} x-1 & \text{if } x > 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 1 \end{cases}$, then
 find $g \circ f$. (2)
- Check whether $g \circ f$ is an onto function. (1)

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- $f : \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \rightarrow \{5\}$ defined by
 $f = \{(1, 5), (2, 5), (3, 5), (4, 5)\}$.
 Does the function f invertible? (1)
 - $A = R - \left\{\frac{7}{5}\right\}$ $B = R - \left\{\frac{3}{5}\right\}$ $f : A \rightarrow B$
 defined by $f(x) = \frac{3x+4}{5x-7}$ $g : B \rightarrow A$
 defined by $g(y) = \frac{7y+4}{5y-3}$.
 Find $g \circ f$. (2)
- Let $A = N \times N$ (N -set of natural nos.) and
 $*$ be a binary operation on A defined by
 $(a, b) * (c, d) = (ac - bd, ad + bc)$. Show
 that $*$ is commutative on A . (2)

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20. Let $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x-3}, x \neq 3$ and $g(x) = \frac{x-3}{x-1}, x \neq 1$

be two real valued functions defined on $\mathbb{R}$.

- a) Find $(fog)(x), x \neq 0$ (1)
 - b) Find $f^{-1}(x)$ and $g^{-1}(x), x \neq 1$ (2)
 - c) Find $(gof)^{-1}(x)$ (2)
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