


# COMP 233 Discrete Mathematics

## Chapter 7 Functions

# Functions

## 7.1 Introduction to Functions

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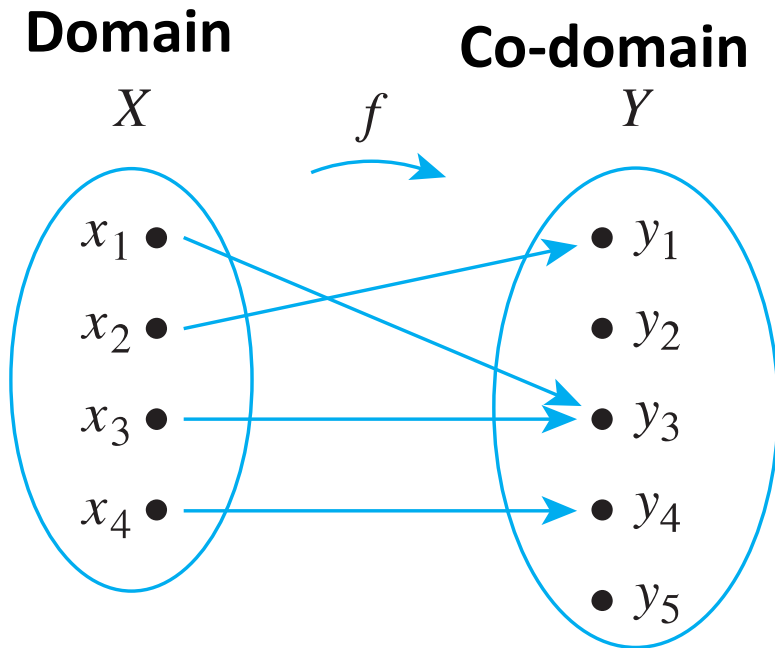
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- Part 1: **What is a function**
  - Part 2: Equality of Functions
  - Part 3: Examples of Functions
  - Part 3: Checking Well Defined Functions

# Motivation

Many issues in life can be mathematized and used as functions:

- $\text{Div}(x)$ ,  $\text{mod}(x)$ , ....
- $\text{FatherOf}(x)$ ,  $\text{TruthTable}(x)$
  
- In this chapter we focus on **discrete functions**

# What is a Function



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A function is a relation from  $X$ , the domain, to  $Y$ , the co-domain, that satisfies 2 properties:

- 1) Every element  $x$  is related to some element in  $Y$ ;
- 2) No element in  $X$  is related to more than one element in  $Y$

# Function Definition

## • Definition

A **function  $f$**  from a set  $X$  to a set  $Y$ , denoted  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ , is a relation from  $X$ , the **domain**, to  $Y$ , the **co-domain**, that satisfies two properties: (1) every element in  $X$  is related to some element in  $Y$ , and (2) no element in  $X$  is related to more than one element in  $Y$ . Thus, given any element  $x$  in  $X$ , there is a unique element in  $Y$  that is related to  $x$  by  $f$ . If we call this element  $y$ , then we say that “ $f$  sends  $x$  to  $y$ ” or “ $f$  maps  $x$  to  $y$ ” and write  $x \xrightarrow{f} y$  or  $f: x \rightarrow y$ . The unique element to which  $f$  sends  $x$  is denoted

$f(x)$  and is called  **$f$  of  $x$** , or  
**the output of  $f$  for the input  $x$** , or  
**the value of  $f$  at  $x$** , or  
**the image of  $x$  under  $f$** .

The set of all values of  $f$  taken together is called the *range of  $f$*  or the *image of  $X$  under  $f$* . Symbolically,

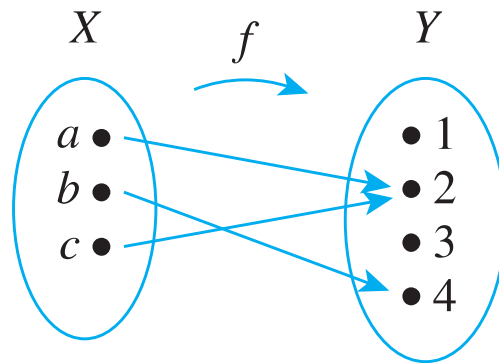
**range of  $f$  = image of  $X$  under  $f$  =  $\{y \in Y \mid y = f(x), \text{ for some } x \text{ in } X\}$ .**

Given an element  $y$  in  $Y$ , there may exist elements in  $X$  with  $y$  as their image. If  $f(x) = y$ , then  $x$  is called a **preimage of  $y$**  or **an inverse image of  $y$** . The set of all inverse images of  $y$  is called *the inverse image of  $y$* . Symbolically,

**the inverse image of  $y$  =  $\{x \in X \mid f(x) = y\}$**

# Example

Let  $X = \{a, b, c\}$  and  $Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ . Define a function  $f$  from  $X$  to  $Y$



- Write the domain and co-domain of  $f$ .
- Find  $f(a)$ ,  $f(b)$ , and  $f(c)$ .
- What is the range of  $f$ ?
- Is  $c$  an inverse image of  $2$ ? Is  $b$  an inverse image of  $3$ ?
- Find the inverse images of  $2$ ,  $4$ , and  $1$ .
- Represent  $f$  as a set of ordered pairs.

## Solution

a. domain of  $f = \{a, b, c\}$ , co-domain of  $f = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

b.  $f(a) = 2$ ,  $f(b) = 4$ ,  $f(c) = 2$

c. range of  $f = \{2, 4\}$

d. Yes, No

e. inverse image of 2 =  $\{a, c\}$

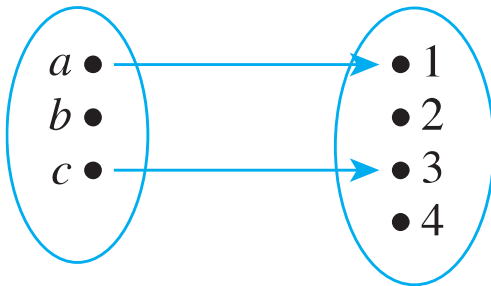
inverse image of 4 =  $\{b\}$

inverse image of 1 =  $\emptyset$  (since no arrows point to 1)

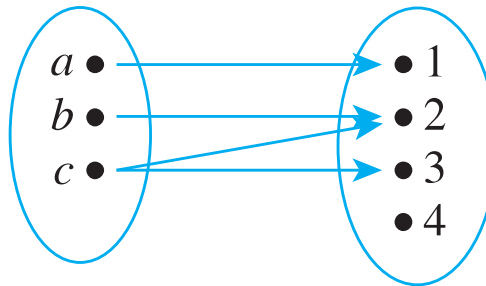
f.  $\{(a, 2), (b, 4), (c, 2)\}$

# Example

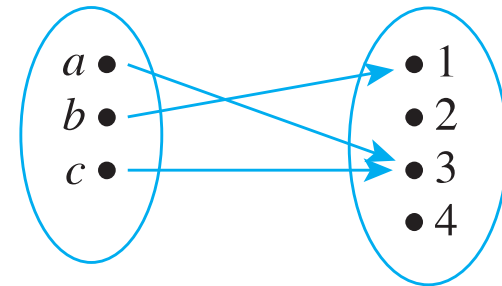
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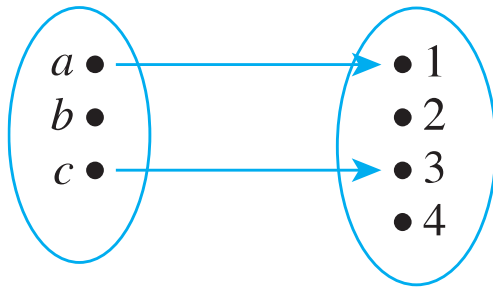


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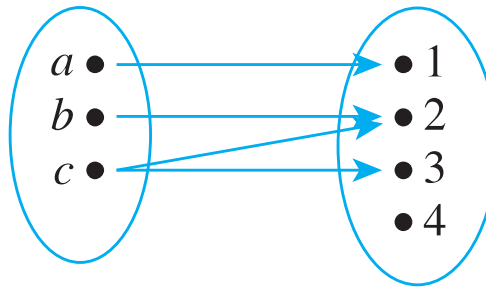


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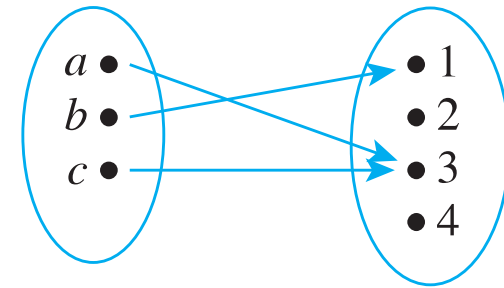
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(a) There is an element  $x$ , namely  $b$ , that is not sent to any element in of  $Y$  (i.e., there is no arrow coming out of  $Y$ )

(b) The element  $c$  isn't sent to a unique element of  $Y$ : that is, there are two arrows coming out of  $c$ ; one pointing to  $2$  and the other is pointing to  $3$

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# Equality of Functions

## Theorem 7.1.1 A Test for Function Equality

If  $F: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $G: X \rightarrow Y$  are functions, then  $F = G$  if, and only if,  $F(x) = G(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

### Example:

Let  $L = \{0, 1, 2\}$ , and define functions  $f$  and  $g$ :

For all  $x$  in  $L$

$$f(x) = (x^2 + x + 1) \text{ mod } 3 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = (x + 2)^2 \text{ mod } 3.$$

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$x$	$x^2 + x + 1$	$f(x) = (x^2 + x + 1) \text{ mod } 3$	$(x + 2)^2$	$g(x) = (x + 2)^2 \text{ mod } 3$
0	1	$1 \text{ mod } 3 = 1$	4	$4 \text{ mod } 3 = 1$
1	3	$3 \text{ mod } 3 = 0$	9	$9 \text{ mod } 3 = 0$
2	7	$7 \text{ mod } 3 = 1$	16	$16 \text{ mod } 3 = 1$

Equal functions in reality?

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$$(F + G)(x) = F(x) + G(x) \quad \text{and} \quad (G + F)(x) = G(x) + F(x).$$

**Does  $F + G = G + F$ ?**

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### Does $F + G = G + F$ ?


$$\begin{aligned}(F + G)(x) &= F(x) + G(x) && \text{by definition of } F + G \\ &= G(x) + F(x) && \text{by the commutative law for addition of real numbers} \\ &= (G + F)(x) && \text{by definition of } G + F\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $F + G = G + F$ .

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# Examples of Functions

## Identity Function

$$I_X(x) = x \text{ for all } x \text{ in } X.$$

**Identity function send each element of X to the element that is identical to it**

E.g.,  $I_x(y) = y$



# Examples of Functions

## Sequences

**An infinite sequence is a function defined on set of integers that are greater than or equal to a particular integer.**

E.g., Define the following sequence as a function from the set of positive integers to the set of real numbers

$$1, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{5}, \dots, \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1}, \dots$$

can be thought as a function  $f$  from the nonnegative integers to the real numbers that associate  $0 \rightarrow 1, 1 \rightarrow -1/2, 2 \rightarrow 1/3, \dots$

Send each integer  $n \geq 0$  to  $f(n) = \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1}$ .

$$g(n+1) = \frac{(-1)^{n+2}}{n+1}$$

# Examples of Functions

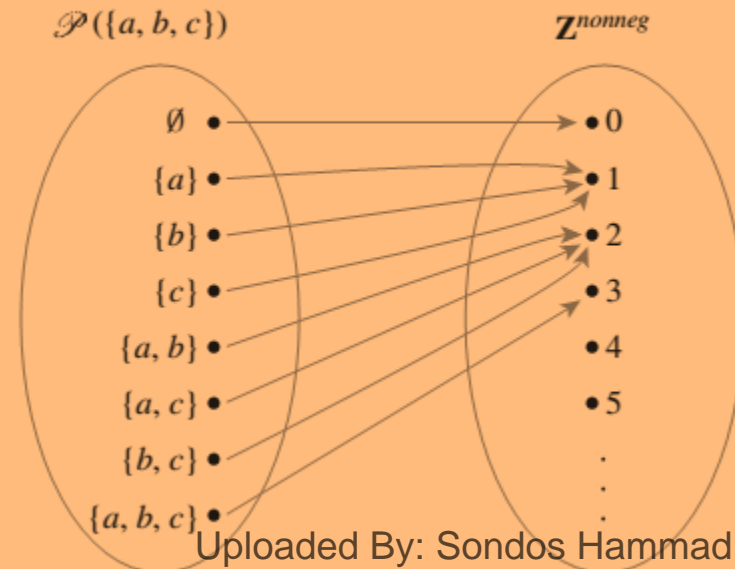
## Function Defined on a Power Set

Recall from Section 6.1 that  $P(A)$  denotes the set of all subsets of the set  $A$ .

Define a function  $F: P(\{a, b, c\}) \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}^{nonneg}$  as follows: For each  $X \in P(\{a, b, c\})$ ,

$F(X)$  = the number of elements in  $X$ .  
Draw an arrow diagram for  $F$ .

Solution



# Examples of Functions

## Cartesian product

Define functions  $M: \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  and  $R: \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}$  as follows: For all ordered pairs  $(a, b)$  of integers,

$$M(a, b) = ab \quad \text{and} \quad R(a, b) = (-a, b).$$

$M$  is the multiplication function that sends each pair of real numbers to the product of the two.

$R$  is the reflection function that sends each point in the plane that corresponds to a pair of real numbers to the mirror image of the point across the vertical axis.

Find the following

a.  $M(-1, -1)$

b.  $M\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

c.  $M(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2})$

d.  $R(2, 5)$

e.  $R(-2, 5)$

f.  $R(3, -4)$

a.  $(-1)(-1) = 1$

b.  $(1/2)(1/2) = 1/4$

c.  $\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{2} = 2$

d.  $(-2, 5)$

e.  $(-(-2), 5) = (2, 5)$

f.  $(-3, -4)$

# Examples of Functions

## Logarithmic functions

### • Definition Logarithms and Logarithmic Functions

Let  $b$  be a positive real number with  $b \neq 1$ . For each positive real number  $x$ , the **logarithm with base  $b$  of  $x$** , written  $\log_b x$ , is the exponent to which  $b$  must be raised to obtain  $x$ . Symbolically,

$$\log_b x = y \iff b^y = x.$$

The **logarithmic function with base  $b$**  is the function from  $\mathbf{R}^+$  to  $\mathbf{R}$  that takes each positive real number  $x$  to  $\log_b x$ .

- $\log_3 9 = 2$  because  $3^2 = 9$ .
- $\log_2 (1/2) = -1$  because  $2^{-1} = 1/2$ .
- $\log_{10}(1) = 0$  because  $10^0 = 1$ .
- $\log_2(2^m) = m$  because the exponent to which 2 must be raised to obtain  $2^m$  is  $m$ .
- $2^{\log_2 m} = m$  because  $\log_2 m$  is the exponent to which 2 must be raised to obtain  $m$ .

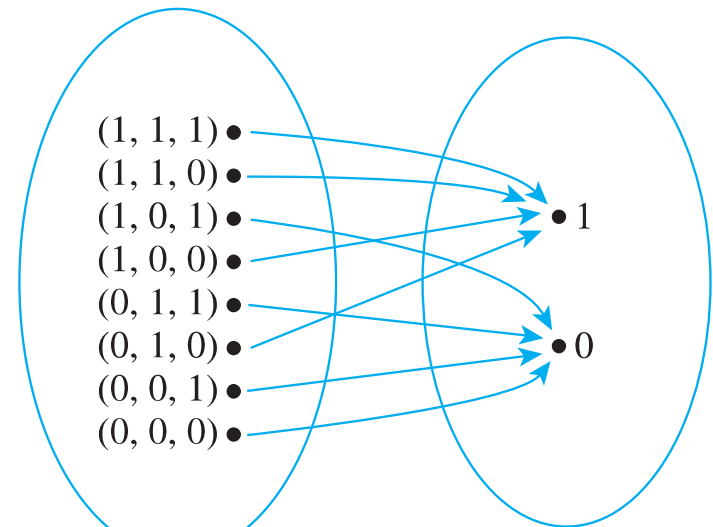
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## Boolean Functions

### • Definition

An ( $n$ -place) **Boolean function**  $f$  is a function whose domain is the set of all ordered  $n$ -tuples of 0's and 1's and whose co-domain is the set  $\{0, 1\}$ . More formally, the domain of a Boolean function can be described as the Cartesian product of  $n$  copies of the set  $\{0, 1\}$ , which is denoted  $\{0, 1\}^n$ . Thus  $f: \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ .

Input			Output
$P$	$Q$	$R$	$S$
1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	0	0	1
0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	0	0	0



# Examples of Functions

## Boolean Functions

Consider the three-place Boolean function defined from the set of all 3-tuples of 0's and 1's to  $\{0, 1\}$  as follows: For each triple  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  of 0's and 1's,

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_2 + x_3) \text{ mod } 2.$$

Describe  $f$  using an input/output table.

$$f(1, 1, 1) = (1 + 1 + 1) \text{ mod } 2 = 3 \text{ mod } 2 = 1$$

$$f(1, 1, 0) = (1 + 1 + 0) \text{ mod } 2 = 2 \text{ mod } 2 = 0$$

and so on to calculate the other values

Input			Output
$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$(x_1 + x_2 + x_3) \text{ mod } 2$
1	1	1	1
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# Well-defined Functions

## *Checking Whether a Function Is Well Defined*

A function is **NOT** well defined if it fails to satisfy at least one of the requirements of being a function

E.g., Define a function  $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  by specifying that for all real numbers  $x$ ,  $f(x)$  is the real number  $y$  such that  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ .

There are two reasons why this function is not well defined:  
For almost all values of  $x$  either (1) there is no  $y$  that satisfies the given equation or (2) there are two different values of  $y$  that satisfy the equation

Consider when  $x=2$

Consider when  $x=0$



# Well-defined Functions

## *Checking Whether a Function Is Well Defined*

$f: \mathbf{Q} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$  defines this formula:

$$f\left(\frac{m}{n}\right) = m \quad \text{for all integers } m \text{ and } n \text{ with } n \neq 0.$$

Is  $f$  a well defined function?

It is not a well defined function since fractions have more than one representation as quotients of integers.

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad f\left(\frac{3}{6}\right) = 3,$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \neq f\left(\frac{3}{6}\right).$$

# Well-defined Functions

## *Checking Whether a Function or not*

Y= BrotherOf(x)

Y= SonOf(x)

Y= FatherOf(x)

Y= Wife Of(x)

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# Functions

## 7.2 Properties of Functions

In this lecture:

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- Part 1: **One-to-one Functions**
  - Part 2: Onto Functions
  - Part 3: one-to-one Correspondence Functions
  - Part 4: Inverse Functions
  - Part 5: Applications: Hash and Logarithmic Functions

# One-to-One Functions

## • Definition

Let  $F$  be a function from a set  $X$  to a set  $Y$ .  $F$  is **one-to-one** (or **injective**) if, and only if, for all elements  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  in  $X$ ,

if  $F(x_1) = F(x_2)$ , then  $x_1 = x_2$ ,

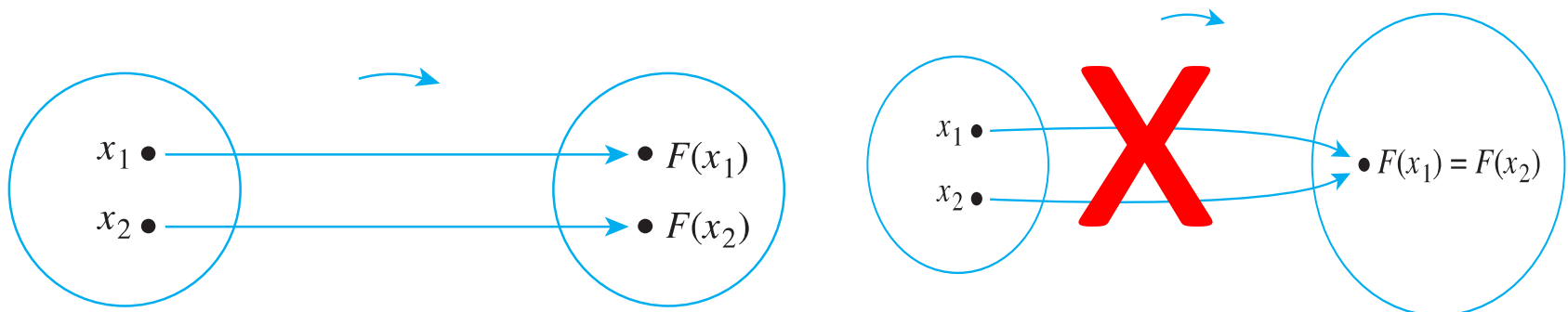
or, equivalently,

if  $x_1 \neq x_2$ , then  $F(x_1) \neq F(x_2)$ .

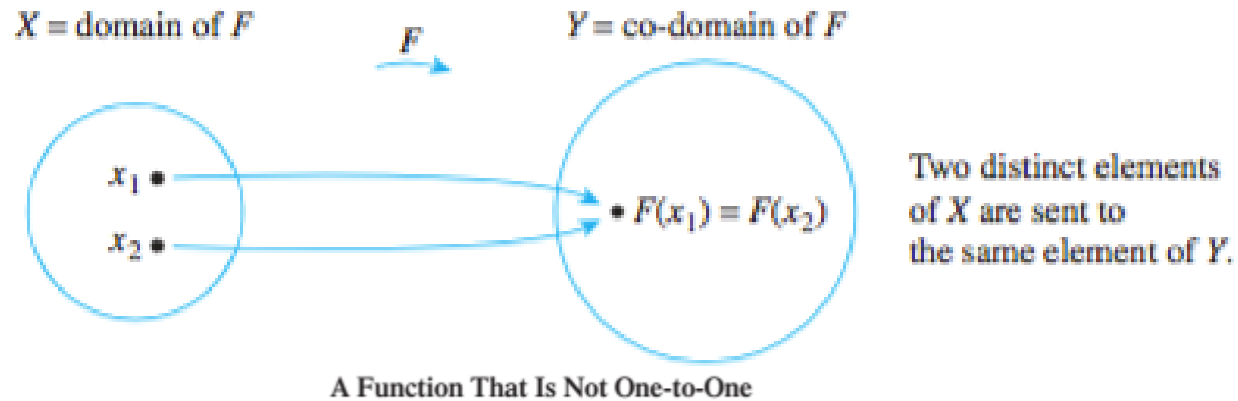
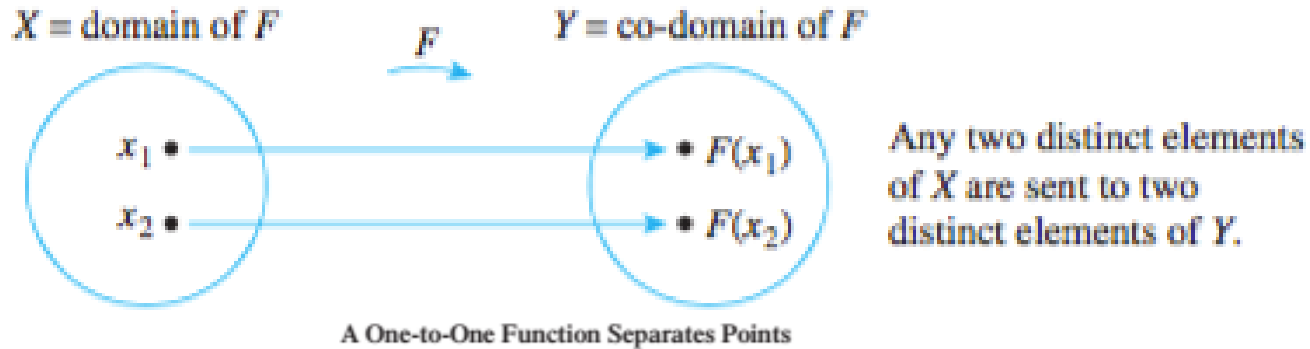
Symbolically,

$F: X \rightarrow Y$  is one-to-one  $\Leftrightarrow \forall x_1, x_2 \in X$ , if  $F(x_1) = F(x_2)$  then  $x_1 = x_2$ .

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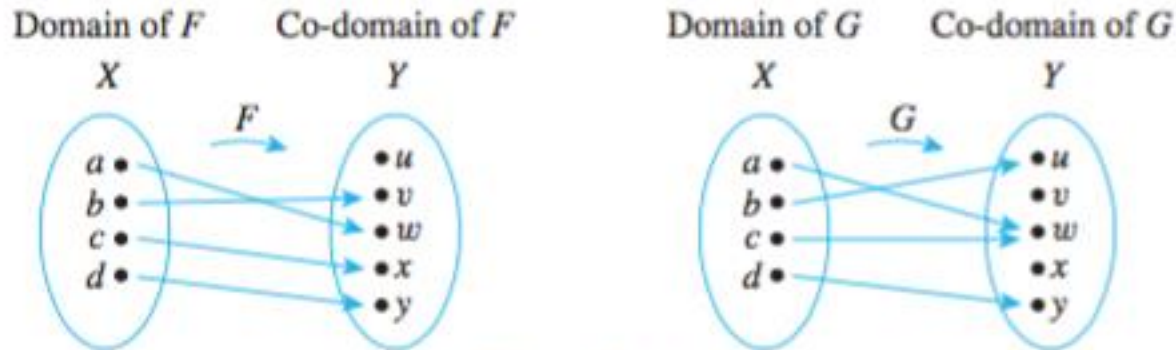


Figure 7.2.2

b. Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ . Define  $H: X \rightarrow Y$  as follows:  $H(1) = c$ ,  $H(2) = a$ , and  $H(3) = d$ . Define  $K: X \rightarrow Y$  as follows:  $K(1) = d$ ,  $K(2) = b$ , and  $K(3) = d$ . Is either  $H$  or  $K$  one-to-one?

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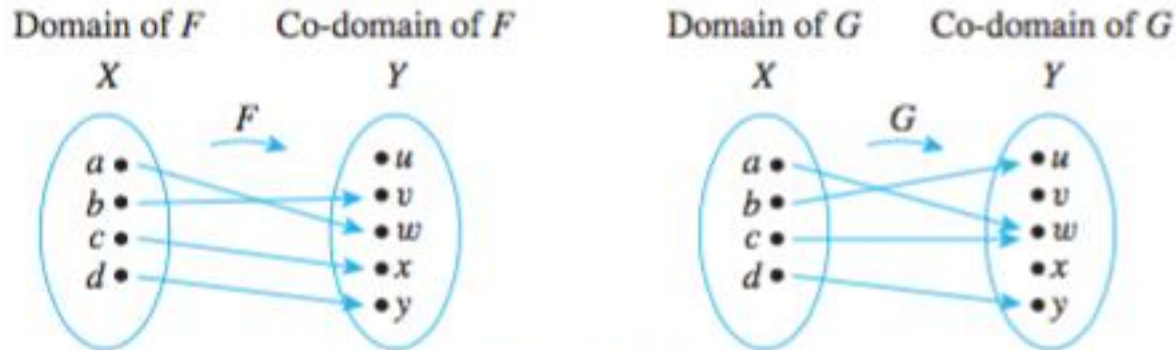


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(a)  $F$  is one-to-one but  $G$  is not.  $F$  is one-to-one because no two different elements of  $X$  are sent by  $F$  to the same element of  $Y$ .  $G$  is not one-to-one because the elements  $a$  and  $c$  are both sent by  $G$  to the same element of  $Y$ :  $G(a) = G(c) = w$  but  $a \neq c$ .

(b)  $H$  is one-to-one but  $K$  is not.  $H$  is one-to-one because each of the three elements of the domain of  $H$  is sent by  $H$  to a different element of the co-domain:  $H(1) \neq H(2)$ ,  $H(1) \neq H(3)$ , and  $H(2) \neq H(3)$ .  $K$ , however, is not one-to-one because  $K(1) = K(3) = d$  but  $1 \neq 3$ .

# Proving/Disproving Functions are One-to-One

To prove  $f$  is **one-to-one** (Direct Method):

**suppose**  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are elements of  $X$  |  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ , and  
**show** that  $x_1 = x_2$ .

To show that  $f$  is **not** one-to-one:

**Find** elements  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  in  $X$  so  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$  but  $x_1 \neq x_2$ .



# Proving/Disproving Functions are One-to-One

## Example 1

Define  $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  by the rule

$$f(x) = 4x - 1 \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbf{R}$$

Is  $f$  one-to-one? Prove or give a counterexample.

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Suppose  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are real numbers such that  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ .  
[We must show that  $x_1 = x_2$ ] By definition of  $f$ ,

$$4x_1 - 1 = 4x_2 - 1. \text{ Adding 1 to both sides gives}$$

$$4x_1 = 4x_2, \text{ and dividing both sides by 4 gives}$$

$x_1 = x_2$ , which is what was to be shown.

# Proving/Disproving Functions are One-to-One

## Example 2

Define  $g: \mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$  by the rule

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### Counterexample:

Let  $n_1 = 2$  and  $n_2 = -2$ . Then by definition of  $g$ ,

$$g(n_1) = g(2) = 2^2 = 4 \text{ and also}$$

$$g(n_2) = g(-2) = (-2)^2 = 4.$$

Hence  $g(n_1) = g(n_2)$  but  $n_1 \neq n_2$ ,  
and so  $g$  is **not** one-to-one.

# Proving/Disproving Functions are One-to-One

## Example 3

Define  $g : \mathbf{MobileNumber} \rightarrow \mathbf{People}$  by the rule  
$$g(x) = \mathit{Person} \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbf{MobileNumber}$$

Is  $g$  one-to-one? Prove or give a counterexample.

**Counter example:**

0599123456 and 0569123456 are both for Sami

# Proving/Disproving Functions are One-to-One

## Example 4

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 $g(x) = \mathit{Person}$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$  **Fingerprint**



Is  $g$  one-to-one? Prove or give a counterexample.

**Prove:**

In biology and forensic science: “The flexibility of friction ridge skin means that no two finger or palm prints are ever exactly alike in every detail” [w].

# Functions

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# Onto Functions

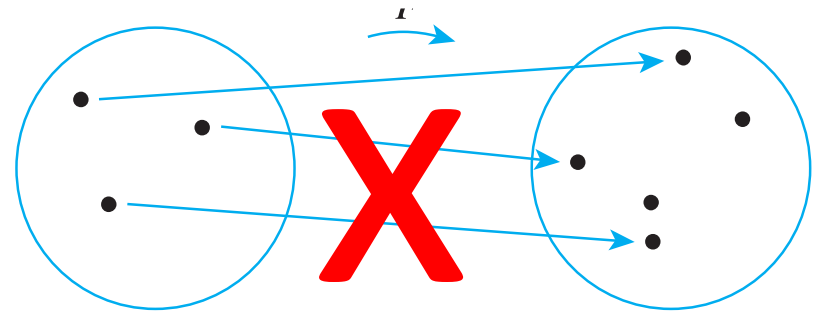
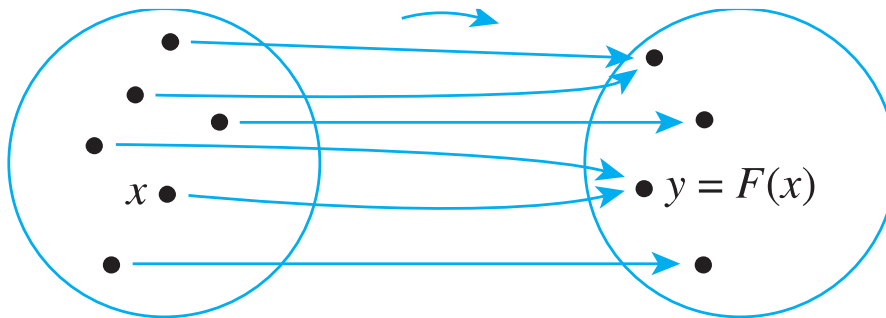
## • Definition

Let  $F$  be a function from a set  $X$  to a set  $Y$ .  $F$  is **onto** (or **surjective**) if, and only if, given any element  $y$  in  $Y$ , it is possible to find an element  $x$  in  $X$  with the property that  $y = F(x)$ .

Symbolically:

$$F: X \rightarrow Y \text{ is onto} \Leftrightarrow \forall y \in Y, \exists x \in X \text{ such that } F(x) = y.$$

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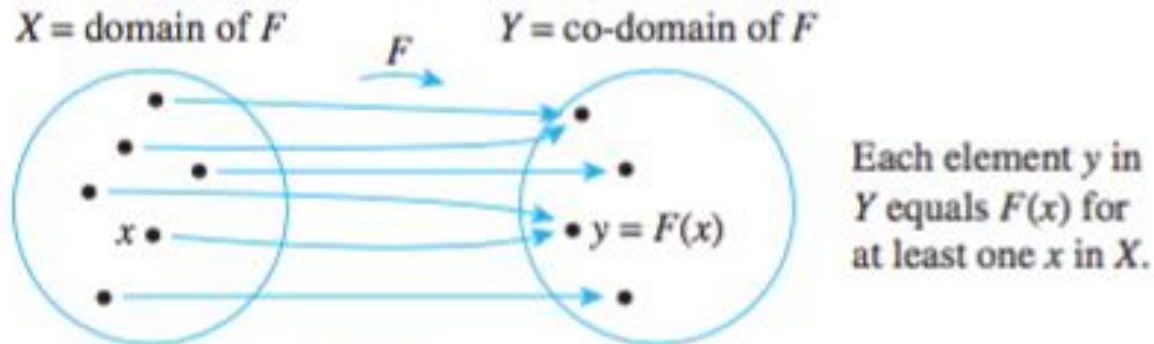


Figure 7.2.3(a) A Function That Is Onto

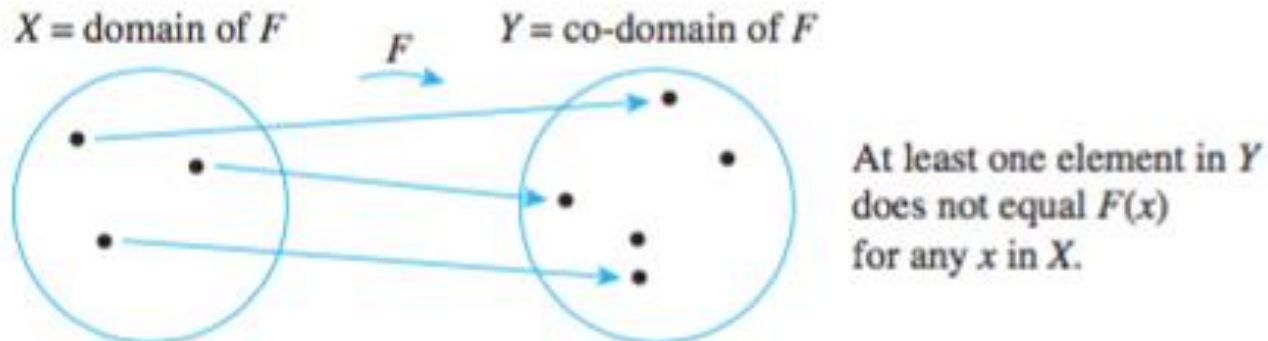


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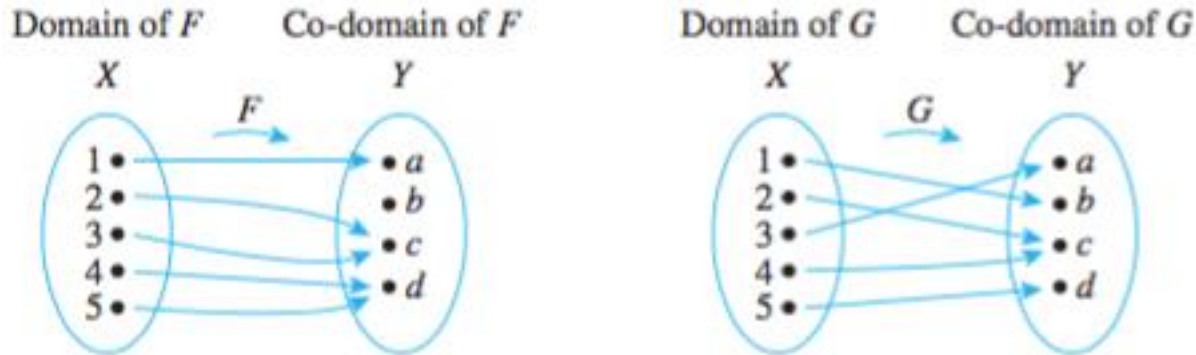


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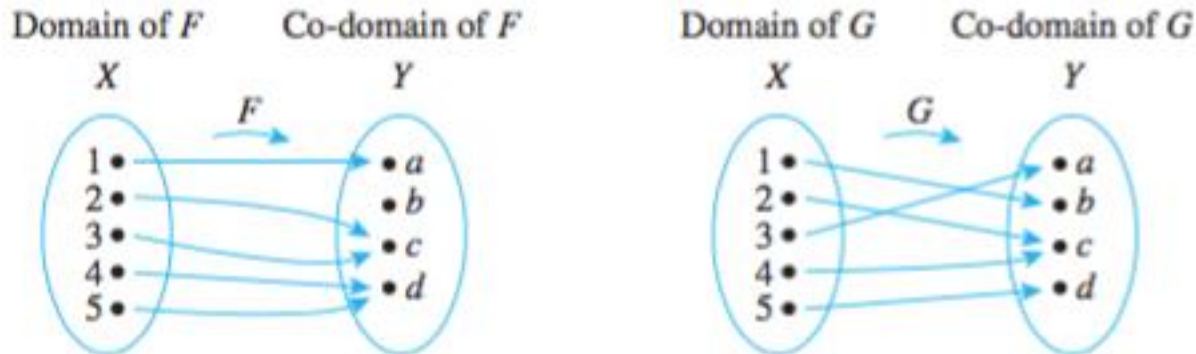


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$G$  is onto because each element of  $Y$  equals  $G(x)$  for some  $x$  in  $X$ :  
 $a = G(3)$ ,  $b = G(1)$ ,  $c = G(2) = G(4)$ , and  $d = G(5)$ .

(b)  $H$  is onto but  $K$  is not.

$H$  is onto because each of the three elements of the co-domain of  $H$  is the image of some element of the domain of  $H$ :  $a = H(2)$ ,  $b = H(4)$ , and  $c = H(1) = H(3)$ .

$K$ , however, is not onto because  $a \neq K(x)$  for any  $x$  in  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

# Proving/Disproving Functions are Onto

To prove  $F$  is **onto**, (method of generalizing from the generic particular)

**suppose** that  $y$  is any element of  $Y$

**show** that there is an element  $x$  of  $X$  with  $F(x) = y$ .

To prove  $F$  is **not** onto, you will usually

**find** an element  $y$  of  $Y$  |  $y \neq F(x)$  for *any*  $x$  in  $X$ .

# Proving/Disproving Functions are Onto

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Let  $y \in \mathbf{R}$ . [We must show that  $\exists x$  in  $\mathbf{R}$  such that  $f(x) = y$ .] Let  $x = (y + 1)/4$ . Then  $x$  is a real number since sums and quotients (other than by 0) of real numbers are real numbers. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f\left(\frac{y+1}{4}\right) && \text{by substitution} \\ &= 4 \cdot \left(\frac{y+1}{4}\right) - 1 && \text{by definition of } f \\ &= (y+1) - 1 = y && \text{by basic algebra.} \end{aligned}$$

[This is what was to be shown.]

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**Counterexample:**

The co-domain of  $h$  is  $\mathbf{Z}$  and  $0 \in \mathbf{Z}$ . But  $h(n) \neq 0$  for any integer  $n$ . For if  $h(n) = 0$ , then

$$4n - 1 = 0 \quad \text{by definition of } h$$

which implies that

$$4n = 1 \quad \text{by adding 1 to both sides}$$

and so

$$n = \frac{1}{4} \quad \text{by dividing both sides by 4.}$$

But  $1/4$  is not an integer. Hence there is no integer  $n$  for which  $f(n) = 0$ , and

$h$  is not onto.



# Proving/Disproving Functions are Onto

## Example 3

Define  $g: \mathbf{MobileNumber} \rightarrow \mathbf{People}$  by the rule  
 $g(x) = \mathit{Person}$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{MobileNumber}$

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**Counter example:**

Sami does not have a mobile number

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**Prove:**

In biology and forensic science: there is no person without fingerprint

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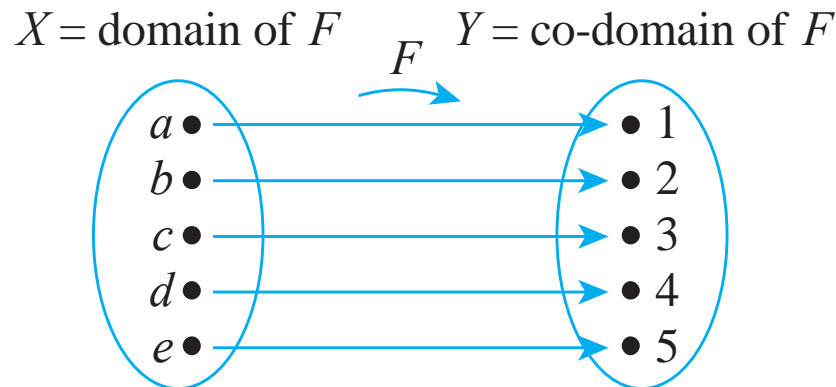
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# One-to-One Correspondences

## • Definition

A **one-to-one correspondence** (or **bijection**) from a set  $X$  to a set  $Y$  is a function  $F: X \rightarrow Y$  that is both one-to-one and onto.

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# String-Reversing Function

Let  $T$  be the set of all finite strings of  $x$ 's and  $y$ 's.

Define

$g: T \rightarrow T$  by the rule: For all strings  $s \in T$ ,  
 $g(s)$  = the string obtained by writing the characters of  
 $s$  in reverse order.

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## (a) one-to-one:

- suppose that for some strings  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  in  $T$ ,  
 $g(s_1) = g(s_2)$ . [*We must show that  $s_1 = s_2$ .*]
- Now to say that  $g(s_1) = g(s_2)$  is the same as saying that the string obtained by writing the characters of  $s_1$  in reverse order equals the string obtained by writing the characters of  $s_2$  in reverse order.
- But if  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are equal when written in reverse order, then they must be equal to original.

In other words,  $s_1 = s_2$  [*as was to be shown*].

# String-Reversing Function

**(b) onto:** suppose  $t$  is a string in  $T$ .

- *[We must find a string  $s$  in  $T$  such that  $g(s) = t$ .]*
- Let  $s = g(t)$ .
- By definition of  $g$ ,  $s = g(t)$  is the string in  $T$  obtained by writing the characters of  $t$  in reverse order.
- But when the order of the characters of a string is reversed once and then reversed again, the original string is recovered.
- $g(s) = g(g(t))$ 
  - = the string obtained by writing the characters of  $t$  in reverse order and then writing those characters in reverse order again
  - =  $t$

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## A Function of Two Variables

Define a function  $F: \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}$  as follows: For all  $(x, y) \in \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}$ ,

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# Inverse Functions

## Theorem 7.2.2

Suppose  $F: X \rightarrow Y$  is a one-to-one correspondence; that is, suppose  $F$  is one-to-one and onto. Then there is a function  $F^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$  that is defined as follows:

Given any element  $y$  in  $Y$ ,

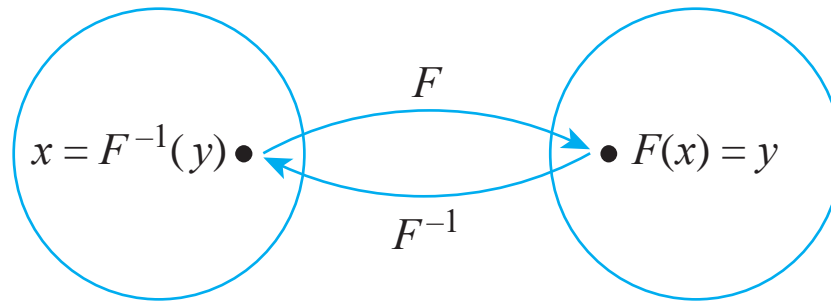
$F^{-1}(y) =$  that unique element  $x$  in  $X$  such that  $F(x)$  equals  $y$ .

In other words,

$$F^{-1}(y) = x \Leftrightarrow y = F(x).$$

$X =$  domain of  $F$

$Y =$  co-domain of  $F$



➔ Is it always that the inverse of a function is a function?

# Finding Inverse Functions

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 $f(x) = 4x - 1$  for all real numbers  $x$

*(was shown one-to-one and onto)*

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**Solution** For any [particular but arbitrarily chosen]  $y$  in  $\mathbf{R}$ , by definition of  $f^{-1}$ ,

$f^{-1}(y) =$  that unique real number  $x$  such that  $f(x) = y$ .

But

$$f(x) = y$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4x - 1 = y \quad \text{by definition of } f$$


$$\Leftrightarrow x = \frac{y + 1}{4} \quad \text{by algebra.}$$

$$\text{Hence } f^{-1}(y) = \frac{y + 1}{4}.$$

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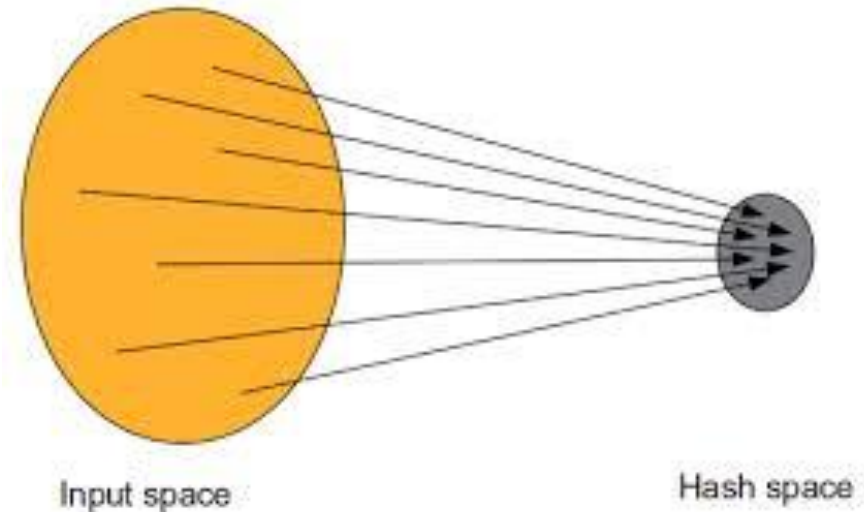
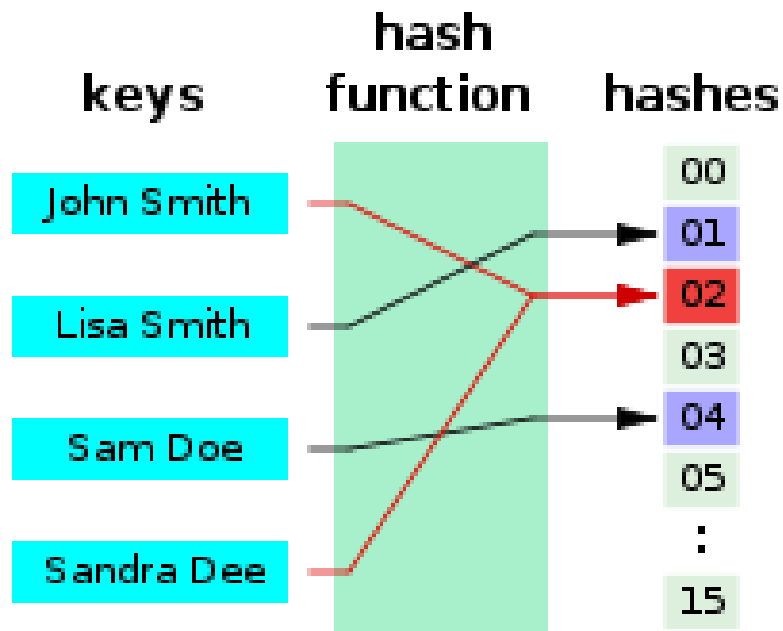
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# Hash Functions

- Maps data of arbitrary length to data of a fixed length.
- Very much used in databases and security



# Hash Functions

How to store long (ID numbers) for a small set of people

For example:  $n$  is an ID number, and  $m$  is number of people we have

$$\text{Hash}(n) = n \bmod m$$

$$\text{Hash}(n) = n \bmod 7 \quad \text{for all numbers } n.$$

0	356-63-3102
1	
2	513-40-8716
3	223-79-9061
4	
5	328-34-3419
6	

collision?



# Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

$$\text{Log}_b x = y \iff b^y = x$$

# Relations between Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

## Laws of Exponents

If  $b$  and  $c$  are any positive real numbers and  $u$  and  $v$  are any real numbers, the following laws of exponents hold true:

$$b^u b^v = b^{u+v} \quad 7.2.1$$

$$(b^u)^v = b^{uv} \quad 7.2.2$$

$$\frac{b^u}{b^v} = b^{u-v} \quad 7.2.3$$

$$(bc)^u = b^u c^u \quad 7.2.4$$

The exponential and logarithmic functions are one-to-one and onto. Thus the following properties hold:

For any positive real number  $b$  with  $b \neq 1$ ,

$$\text{if } b^u = b^v \text{ then } u = v \quad \text{for all real numbers } u \text{ and } v, \quad 7.2.5$$

and

$$\text{if } \log_b u = \log_b v \text{ then } u = v \quad \text{for all positive real numbers } u \text{ and } v. \quad 7.2.6$$

# Relations between Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

We can derive additional facts about exponents and logarithms, e.g.:

## Theorem 7.2.1 Properties of Logarithms

For any positive real numbers  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $x$  with  $b \neq 1$  and  $c \neq 1$ :

a.  $\log_b(xy) = \log_b x + \log_b y$

b.  $\log_b\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log_b x - \log_b y$

c.  $\log_b(x^a) = a \log_b x$

d.  $\log_c x = \frac{\log_b x}{\log_b c}$

**How to prove this?**

# Using the One-to-Oneness of the Exponential Function

Prove that:

$$\log_c x = \frac{\log_b x}{\log_b c}.$$

**Solution** Suppose positive real numbers  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $x$  are given. Let

$$(1) \ u = \log_b c \quad (2) \ v = \log_c x \quad (3) \ w = \log_b x.$$

Then, by definition of logarithm,

$$(1') \ c = b^u \quad (2') \ x = c^v \quad (3') \ x = b^w.$$

Substituting (1') into (2') and using one of the laws of exponents gives

$$x = c^v = (b^u)^v = b^{uv} \quad \text{by 7.2.2}$$

But by (3),  $x = b^w$  also. Hence

$$b^{uv} = b^w,$$

and so by the one-to-oneness of the exponential function (property 7.2.5),

$$uv = w.$$

Substituting from (1), (2), and (3) gives that

$$(\log_b c)(\log_c x) = \log_b x.$$

And dividing both sides by  $\log_b c$  (which is nonzero because  $c \neq 1$ ) results in