Section 2.1a – Relations and Functions

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• We use **graphs** in Math, like History books use pictures. Graphs give us a quick way to make comparisons, draw conclusions, and approximate quantities. The next section will involve different names of graphing relationships and how to plot and read information.

Coordinate System

- Similar to a real number on a real number line, **ordered pairs** can be represented by points on the Cartesian Plane.
- Ordered pairs are written in the form (*x*, *y*)
- There is a unique point on the plane that corresponds to every ordered pair



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- The ordered pair *A* (0, 0) is located at the origin.
- The ordered pair **B** (3, 2) is located three units to the right and two units up from the origin.
- The ordered pair C(-3, 0) is located three units to the left of the origin on the x axis.
- The ordered pair D(0,3) is located three units up from the origin on the y axis.
- The ordered pair E(-3, -4) is located three units to the left and four units down from the origin.
- The ordered pair F(4, -3) is located four units to the right and three units down from the origin.
- The ordered pair G(-3, 4) is located three units to the left and four units up from the origin.

Ordered pairs (4, -3) and (-3, 4) plot different points. That is why they are called **ordered pairs**, it makes a **significant difference** which **number comes first**.

Relations

- Relations are sets of **ordered pairs** (*x*, *y*)
- The set of the first components, or x values, is the **DOMAIN**
- The set of the second components or y values, is called the **RANGE**
- To find solutions to a relation, values are arbitrarily assigned for the *x term* from the set of real numbers.
- This makes *x* the *independent variable*
- Choosing input values for *x* provides us with output values for *y*
- This makes *y* the *dependant variable*

Example:

Input	Relation	Output		
x	y = 2x + 1	у		
-3	2(-3) + 1	-5		
0	2(0) + 1	1		
2	2(2) + 1	5		

These values represent **3** solutions to the infinitely many for the relation y = 2x + 1.

These solutions can be represented as:

- 1. Ordered pairs: (-3, -5), (0, 1), (2, 5)
- 2. In a table:

x	-3	0	2
у	-5	1	5

3. Using Mapping Notation



x – values

y – values

4. Or by graphing



Functions

• A function is a special type of relation

Function

- For every value of the *domain* (*x value*), there is one and only one, value for the range (*y value*)
- Each element in the **domain** corresponds to **exactly one** element in the **range**.

One-to-One Function

- A function in which every individual value of the *domain* (x value) is associated with one value of the range (y value), and vice versa.
- This means that if the function is a **one-to-one function**, then for each *x* in the domain, there is **one, and only one**, *y* in the range, and no *y* in the range is the image **of more than one** *x* in the domain.

Hierarchy of Relations, Functions, and One-to-one Functions



Note: The Range (Output) depends on the Domain (Input)

Example 3: Given the ordered pairs: (-5, 4), (-3, 2), (-2, 0), (0, -2), (1, -3), (4, -4), what is the value of **y** (*output*) when **x** (*input*) is 0?

Solution 3: From (0, -2) the output is -2 or y = -2

Vertical Line Test for Functions

• An equation defines y as a function of x if and only if every vertical line in the coordinate plane intersects the graph of the equation only once.

Horizontal Line Test for One-to-One Functions

• A function *y* is a one-to-one function of *x* if and only if every horizontal line in the coordinate plane intersects the function at most only once.





Solution 4:

- a) A vertical line intersects the graph once so it is a function. A horizontal line intersects the graph once, therefore it is a one-to-one function.
- b) A vertical line intersects the graph once, so it is a function. A horizontal line intersects the graph more than once, therefore the graph is not a one-to-one function.
- c) A vertical line intersects the graph more than once, so it is not a function, just a relation.

Section 2.1a – Practice Questions

Without plotting on a grid, which quadrant do the following points belong to?

1. (4,-2)	2. (6,3)
3. (-1,3)	4. (-2,-6)
5. (-3,0)	6. (0,0)

7. Plot the points of the grid provided

A(-3,1)	B(-4,-2)	C(-5,0)	D(0,2)
E(3,-5)	<i>F</i> (4,3)	<i>G</i> (4,0)	H(0,-4)



- 8. A relation is:
 - a) Any set of ordered pairs
 - b) Two sets of ordered pairs that are related
 - c) A graph of ordered pairs
 - d) A set of ordered pairs where the domain corresponds to exactly one range
- 9. A function is:
 - a) Any set of ordered pairs
 - b) A set or ordered pairs in which a value in the domain corresponds to exactly one value in the range
 - c) A set of ordered pairs in which a value in the range corresponds to exactly one value in the domain
 - d) A graph of ordered pairs

Use the vertical line test to determine if the following are relations or functions



Do the mapping notations into functions, 1-1 functions, or neither?



Section 2.1a – Answer Key

- 1. IV
- 2. I
- 3. II
- 4. III
- 5. No Quadrant
- 6. No Quadrant
- 7. See Website
- 8. a
- 9. *b*
- 10. Function
- 11. Function
- 12. Not a Function
- 13. Function
- 14. Function
- 15. Function
- 16. 1 1
- 17. Function
- 18. Function
- 19. Neither

Extra Work Space