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## RECORDING

# Relations and Functions <br> CMSC250 

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## Definition

- Let $A, B$ be sets. A relation $R$ from $A$ to $B$ is any subset of $A \times B$.


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- $(R, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{N})$
- $\{(r, n) \mid n$ appears in the decimal expansion of $r\}$
- E.g: $\{\ldots,(\pi, 1),(e, 7),(1 / 3,3), \ldots\}$
- We would formally say that all of the above are elements of the relation $R$


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- $(<, \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N})$ is not reflexive, since $\sim(\forall n \in \mathbb{N})[n<n]$ (in fact, there is no such $n)$
- $(R, \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ ) defined as $\{(x, y) \mid x+y \geq 100\}$ is not reflexive (e.g $10 \in \mathbb{N}$, but $(10,10) \notin R)$ )


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- $(\leq, \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N})$ is not symmetric since $4 \leq 5$ but $\sim(5 \leq 4)$
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$$
((1,100) \in R) \wedge((100,5) \in R) \text {, but }(1,5) \notin R
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- Domain: $\{0,1,2,3,4\}$
- Co-domain: $\{0,1,4\}$
- Formula (that we came up with): $f(x)=x^{2} \bmod 5$

Just because two 'x's map to the same 'y' doesn't make this a non-function... it just makes it a non-injective (not "1-1") function

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- Every element of the domain should map to some co-domain element!


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Fails the
"vertical line" test (2 different `y's mapped to by the same ' $x$ ')

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(As long as the
 domain is $\mathbb{R}^{>0}$ !!)

Log function

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## Making functions onto or 1-1

- To make a function onto, we need to make the co-domain smaller.
- To make a function 1-1, we need to make the domain smaller.


## Bijective functions

- A function $f: X \mapsto Y$ is called bijective (or a bijection, or a 11 correspondence) iff it is both surjective and injective.
- We will try to avoid using the term "1-1 correspondence" (some books uses it) since it can confuse us with the notion of an injective (or 1-1) function.

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Non-surjective! Set $h(n)=y$ and solve for $n$ :

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There are infinitely many choices of $y$ for which $n \notin \mathbb{Z}$ !

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Surjective and injective! Surjective, since, if we set $h(n)=y$ and solve for $n$ :

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For every real $y$, there's always a real solution $n$. Injective, since it's of the form of (2) with $a \neq 0$.

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- In general, people considered "functions" to only be differentiable maps from $\mathbb{R}$ to $\mathbb{R}$.
- The reason for the restriction because of the tight coupling of math and physics at that time: a "function" was something that could come up in nature.


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- The view began to change around the era of Fourier.
- While studying heat, Fourier found out that the following function is discontinuous:

$$
\begin{gathered}
f(x, y, z, t)= \\
\text { at time } t .
\end{gathered}
$$

- Lighting a match at ( $0,0,0$ ) introduces a discontinuity in the function.


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- For a while people tried to extend the notion of function.
- Charles Hermite: ""I turn with terror and horror from this lamentable scourge of continuous functions with no derivatives."


Charles Hermite, pictured here turning away with terror and horror from the lamentable scourge of continuous functions with no derivatives.

## Modern View

- Owed primarily to Dirichlet and Lobachevsky.
- According to this view, any correspondence is a function.


Emanuel Dirichlet


Nicolai Lobachevsky

## STOP

