

Math 60 8.3 Introduction to Functions (2 days)

Objectives 1) Determine if a relation is a function if given

a) a map or a list of ordered pairs

↳ check that each input value has only one output value

b) an equation using x and y .

↳ solve for y if necessary

↳ does one x value result in only one y value?

c) a graph

↳ Vertical line test

Does every possible imaginary vertical line cross the graph once?

DAY 2

2) Find the value of a function
= "Evaluate a function"

↳ substitute given number for x

↳ use order of operations to simplify

3) Find the domain of a function

• polynomials: all real numbers

• rational functions: all real numbers except those that make expression undefined.

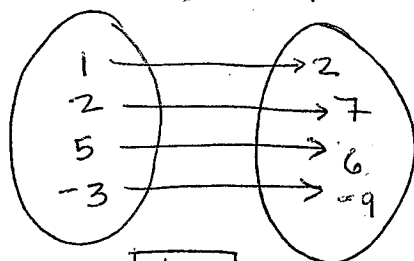
Definition

A function is a relation where each input value has only one y -value.

Determine if each of the following is a function.

①

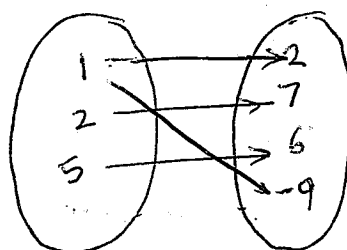
Each input has one output



Yes.

②

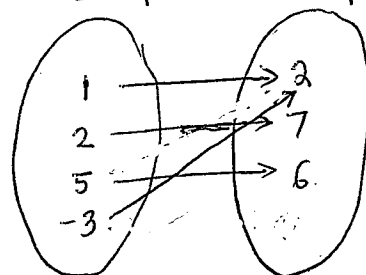
$1 \rightarrow 2$ but $1 \rightarrow -9$
1 has two outputs



No

③

Each input has one output.
(Outputs can be equal.)



Yes

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Find the domain of each function in previous example.

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① domain $\{1, 2, 5, -3\}$

② not a function. [Domain of the relation is $\{1, 2, 5\}$]

③ domain $\{1, 2, 5, -3\}$

Find the range of each function

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① range $\{2, 7, 6, -9\}$

② not a function. [Range of relation is $\{2, 7, 6, -9\}$]

③ range $\{2, 6, 7\}$

* CAUTION * Do not list duplicates in domain or range.

Ex: not $\{2, 2, 6, 7\}$
Ex not $\{1, 1, 2, 5\}$

Determine if each is a function.

If it is a function, find its domain and range.

④ $\{(-3, 2), (-1, -1), (1, -3), (3, -5)\}$

↑ ↑ ↑ ↑
no inputs are repeated, function

domain $\{-3, -1, 1, 3\}$

range $\{2, -1, -3, -5\}$

⑤ $\{(-2, -2), (-1, 1), (0, 2), (1, 1), (2, -2)\}$

↑ ↑ ↑ ↑ ↑
no inputs are repeated function

domain $\{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$

range $\{-2, 1, 2\}$

⑥ $\{(-5, 2), (0, 2), (5, 6), (6, 5), (2, 0), (2, -5)\}$

The input 2 is repeated.
2 has more than one
output value

not a function

Determine if each equation gives y as a function of x .

⑦ $y = 3x + 5$

yes

yes If we choose a value for x , that value can produce only one y value

ex: if $x=2$, then $y=3(2)+5=11$

We can't put in $x=2$ and also get some other y -value.

⑧ $y = \pm \sqrt{x}$

Read the symbol $\pm$ as "plus or minus".

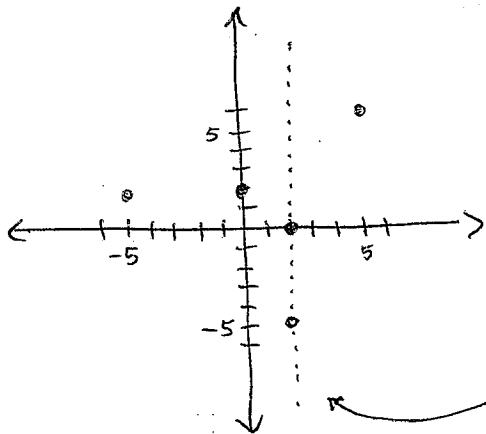
no

[no] If we choose a value for x , we get two y -values.

ex: if $x=4$, then $y=+\sqrt{4}=2$

then $y = +\sqrt{4} = 2$ or $y = \pm 2$
and $y = -\sqrt{4} = -2$

⑨ Graph the points in ex. ⑥ and identify the two points that made it not a function.



The points $(2, 0)$ and $(2, -5)$ lie on the vertical line $x = 2$.

Vertical Line Test: (VLT)

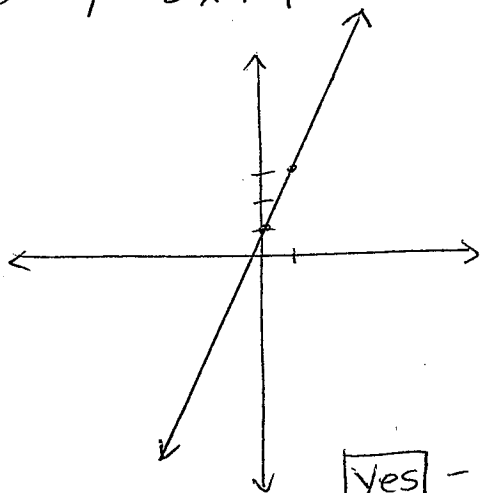
If a vertical line could be drawn so it passes through two or more points on the graph, we say

- the graph fails the VLT
- the graph is not a function

If every possible imaginary vertical line crosses the graph once or not at all, we say

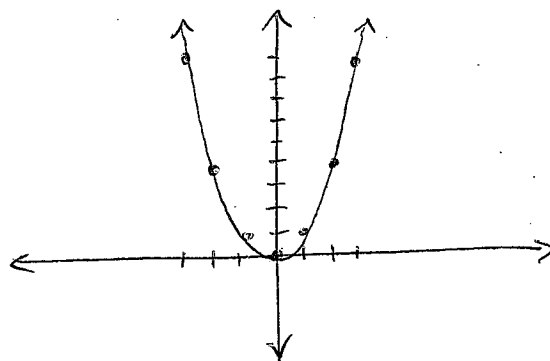
- the graph passes the VLT
- the graph is a function.

(10) $y = 2x + 1$



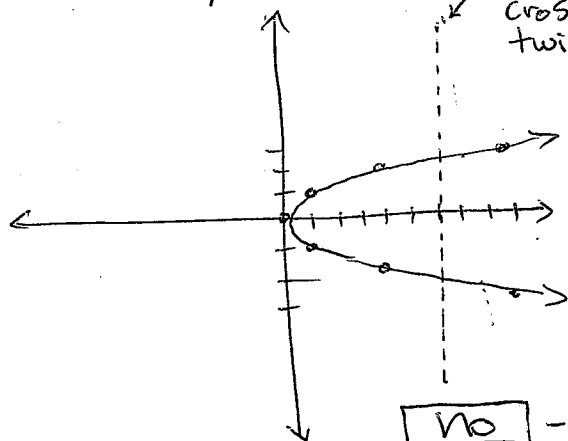
yes - passes VLT

(11) $y = x^2$



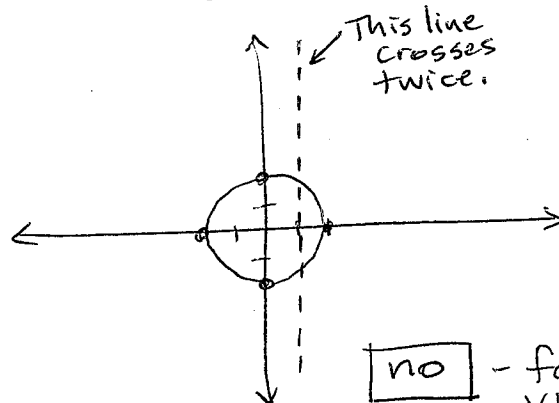
yes - passes VLT

(12) $x = y^2$



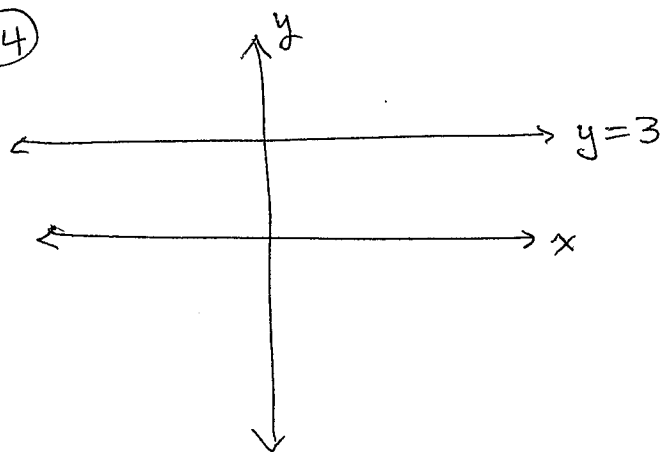
no - fails VLT

(13) $x^2 + y^2 = 4$



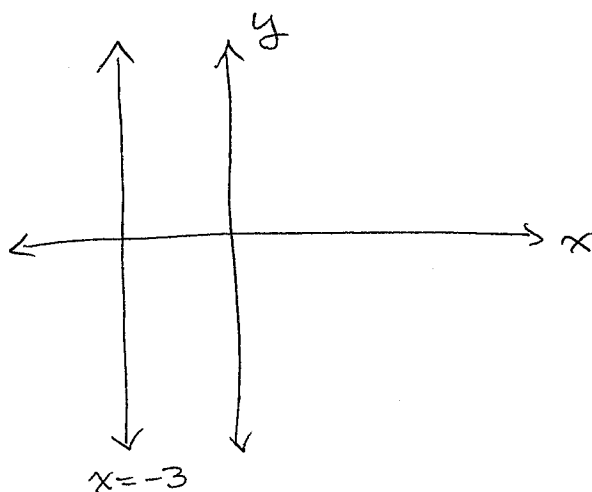
no - fails VLT

(14)



yes - passes V.L.T.

(15)



no - fails V.L.T.

Every point on the
vertical line $x=-3$
has x-coord -3 .

So -3 has infinitely
many y-coordinates