

(ii) The set $\{x; x \in \mathbb{R}; a < x < b\} = (a, b)$ is called an open interval ϕ is denoted by (a, b) .
In an ~~open~~ ^{open} intervals, the end points of the intervals, a is called the left end point while b is called the right end point. Thus a and b do not belong to the interval.

Remark: The intervals which is open from one side and closed from another side is called semi-open or semi-closed interval e.g.:- $(3, 5]$ or $[5, 9)$.

* Length of an interval: For each intervals with end points a & b ($a < b$), $b - a$ is called the length of the intervals $[a, b]$, (a, b) , $[a, b)$ $(a, b]$ has the same length $b - a$.

* Finite and Infinite Intervals: An intervals is said to be finite or infinite according as its length is finite or infinite. Thus the intervals $[2, 3)$, $(2, 3)$, $[2, 3)$, $(2, 3]$ are finite because its length $3 - 2 = 1$ is finite. The intervals $[1, \infty)$, $(1, \infty)$, $(-\infty, 1)$ are infinite intervals.

Note (i) Every intervals except ϕ and singleton is an infinite set but every infinite set need not be an intervals.
e.g.:- \mathbb{N} is an infinite set but not interval.

(2) Ordered pair: ordered pair is an elements of the form (a, b) . The element a is called first element and the element b is called end element of ordered pair.

* Equality of ordered pairs:

Let $(a, b), (c, d)$ be any two ordered pairs
then $(a, b) = (c, d) \Leftrightarrow a = c, b = d.$

* Cardinally equivalent or equivalent sets: :-

A set 'A' is said to be equivalent or cardinally equivalent to the set B. If \exists one-one mapping from set A to set B.
This relation is denoted by the symbol \sim
eg:- $A = \{1, 2, 3\}, B = \{4, 5, 7\}$
 $A \sim B.$

* Cardinal numbers: - The cardinal number of

an equivalence set is any representative of the class or we can say that every equivalence class defines a unique cardinal number
if S is any set consisting of 5-elts then the cardinal number of S is 5. The cardinal number of empty set ϕ is defined as zero
If $A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$, then n is called the cardinal number of set A. and is denoted by $\text{Card } A$ or $|A|$, therefore

$B = \{1, 3\}, |B| = 2, |\phi| = 0.$

$\rightarrow (a, b), (a, c), (b, d), (c, d)$ are equivalent

* Sum of Cardinal number: - Let A and B

be any two set with cardinality n and m such that their intersection is empty.

Let $|A| = n, |B| = m$ and $A \cap B = \phi$. Thus
thus $|A \cup B| = n + m.$

eg:- If $A = \{1, 2, 3\}, B = \{3, 4\}, A \cap B \neq \phi$

thus $A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, |A| = 3, |B| = 2$
 $|A \cup B| = 4.$

By the definition $|A \cup B| \neq |A| + |B|$

$\therefore |A \cup B| \leq |A| + |B|.$

* Cartesian Product: - Let A and B be two sets. Then $A \times B = \{ (x, y) : x \in A, y \in B \}$ is known as Cartesian product of A and B. - In general

$A \times B \neq B \times A$ where
 $B \times A = \{ (y, x) : y \in B, x \in A \}$
 Let $A = \{ 1, 2 \}$, $B = \{ 3, 4 \}$
 $A \times B = \{ (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 3), (2, 4) \}$
 $B \times A = \{ (3, 1), (4, 1), (3, 2), (4, 2) \}$, $A \times B \neq B \times A$

Properties of Cartesian product

- (i) $(A \cup B) \times C = (A \times C) \cup (B \times C)$
- (ii) $(A \cap B) \times C = (A \times C) \cap (B \times C)$
- (iii) $(A - B) \times C = (A \times C) - (B \times C)$
- imp (iv) $A \times B = \phi \Leftrightarrow A = \phi \text{ or } B = \phi$
- imp (v) $A \times C \subseteq B \times C, C \neq \phi \Rightarrow A \subseteq B$ (Right Cancellation)
- imp (vi) $A \times B = B \times A \Leftrightarrow A = \phi \text{ or } B = \phi \text{ or } A = B$
- (vii) $(A \cap B) \times (C \cap D) = (A \times C) \cap (B \times D)$
- (viii) $A = A \times B \Rightarrow A = \phi$
- (ix) $A \subseteq A \times A \Rightarrow A = \phi$
- (x) If A contains n elts } $\Rightarrow A \times B$ contains nm elts.
 B contains m elts

* Relations: A relation from set A to set B is a subset of $A \times B$.

Similarly a relation from set B to set A is a subset of $B \times A$

eg:- $A = \{ 1, 2, 3 \}$, $B = \{ 2, 3 \}$ then
 $A \times B = \{ (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 2), (3, 3) \}$
 is relation from A to B.

Similarly $B \times A = \{ (2, 1), (3, 1), (2, 2), (3, 2), (2, 3), (3, 3) \}$
 is a relation from B to A.

Thus every subset of $A \times B$ and $B \times A$ is a relation from A to B.

Similarly every subset of $B \times A$ is a relation from B to A.

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since ϕ is a subset of every set. Hence ϕ is a relation from A to B (and B to A) known as empty relation.

Remark:- If a set A has n element and set B has m elements, then total number of relations from set A to set B is
 $2^{n \times m} = 2^{n \cdot m} = 2^{|A| \cdot |B|}$.

types of Relation

(1) Inverse Relation:- let R be a relation on A. Let $R = \{(1,2), (4,1)\}$ then

$$\text{Inverse } R^{-1} = \{(2,1), (1,4)\}$$

(2) Identity Relation:- A relation R in a set A is an identity relation if $I_A = \{(x,x) : x \in A\}$

eg:- $A = \{1,2\}$, $R = \{(1,1), (2,2)\}$

(3) Universal Relation:- If R is a relation in a set A, then R is a universal relation if $R = A \times A$.

(4) Void Relation:- If R relation in set A. then R is called void relation if $R = \phi$

Properties of relation

Let R be a relation on A then

(a) R is called reflexive:- if $(a,a) \in R \forall a \in A$

eg:- $A = \{1,2,3\}$, $R = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3)\}$.

(b) R is symmetric:- if $(a_1, a_2) \in R \Rightarrow (a_2, a_1) \in R$