

CSCI 301 - Lecture 16: More functions

$$f(x) = x^2$$

Definition: Suppose A, B are sets. A function from A to B , written $f: A \rightarrow B$ is a relation ($f \subseteq A \times B$) with the additional property that there is exactly one element $(a, b) \in f$ for each $a \in A$.

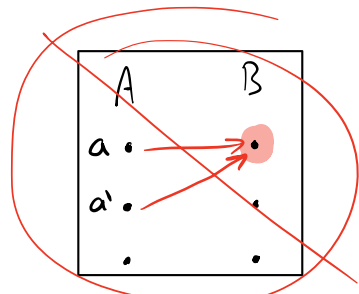
Definitions: If $f: A \rightarrow B$ is a function,

- A is the domain of f (the set of possible inputs)
- B is the codomain of f (the set of... things f might map to)
- $\{f(a) : a \in A\}$ is the range of f (the set of... $b \in B$ that f does map to)

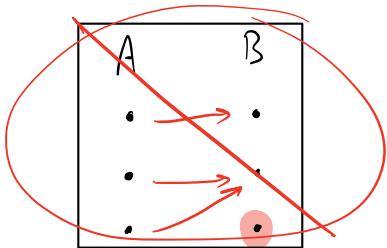
Do Ex. A

Properties of Functions - Injective, Surjective, Bijective

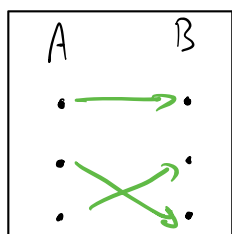
Definitions: A function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is



- injective (one-to-one) if
for all $a, a' \in A$, $a \neq a' \Rightarrow f(a) \neq f(a')$.
(no two a 's map to the same b)



- surjective (onto) if
for all $b \in B$, there is some $a \in A$ where $f(a) = b$.
(all b 's are mapped to)



- bijective if it is injective and surjective
(complete matching among a 's and b 's)

How to show a function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is injective: $a \neq a' \Rightarrow f(a) \neq f(a')$

Direct approach:

Suppose $a, a' \in A$ and $a \neq a'$.

\vdots

Therefore $f(a) \neq f(a')$.

Contrapositive approach:

Suppose $a, a' \in A$ and $f(a) = f(a')$.

\vdots

Therefore $a = a'$.

How to show a function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is surjective: $\forall b \in B, \exists a \in A, f(a) = b$

Suppose $b \in B$.

[Prove there exists $a \in A$ for which $f(a) = b$.]

Do Ex. B

Inverse Functions

Definition: A function $f: A \rightarrow A$ is an identity function if $f(a) = a$ for all a .

Definition: Given a relation R , the inverse relation, written R^{-1} , is defined as

$$\underline{\{(y, x) : (x, y) \in R\}}$$

Fact: If $f: A \rightarrow B$ is a function, then its inverse f^{-1} is a function $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$ if and only if f is bijective

Fact: If $f: A \rightarrow B$ has an inverse, then $f^{-1} \circ f: A \rightarrow A$ defined by $\{(a, f^{-1}(f(a))) : a \in A\}$ is an identity function.

$$f \circ f^{-1}$$

$$f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$$

Do Ex. C

Let $a, a' \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $a \neq a'$.

$$f(a) = 2a + 1$$

$$f(a') = 2a' + 1$$

Suppose $b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Show $\exists a \in A, f(a) = b$

$$\rightarrow 2a + 1 = b.$$

Case 1: b is even.

$$2a + 1 = b$$

$$f: \begin{matrix} A \\ \downarrow \\ \mathbb{Z} \end{matrix} \times \begin{matrix} B \\ \downarrow \\ \mathbb{Z} \end{matrix} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}, \quad f((m, n)) = 2n - 4m$$

Suppose $a, a' \in A$

$(m, n) \quad (m', n')$

Show: $\exists a, a'$ with $a \neq a', f(a) = f(a')$

$$m = 2$$

$$n = 1$$

$$m' = 4$$

$$n' = 2$$

$$f((2, 1)) = 2 \cdot 2 - 4 \cdot 1 = 0$$

$$f((4, 2)) = 2 \cdot 2 - 4 \cdot 1 = 0$$

$$2n - 4m = 2(n - 2m)$$

$f(a)$ is even $\forall a$,

so if b is odd, $\nexists a, f(a) = b$

$$f(m, n) = 3n - 4m$$

Injective? No. $\exists a, a', a \neq a', f(a) = f(a')$

$$\text{Let } a = (0, 0) \quad f(a) = 0$$

$$a' = (3, 4) \quad f(a') = 3 \cdot 4 - 4 \cdot 3 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Surjective? Let $b = 3n - 4m$

$$= 3(n-1) - 4(m-1) \leftarrow 3n-3-4m+4$$

$$3n - 4m + 1$$

Suppose b