

HOMWORK 11 - DISCRETE MATH SPRING 2023

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12.4.4 **Theorem.** Suppose $A = \{a, b, c\}$. Let $f : A \rightarrow A$ be the function $f = \{(a, c), (b, c), (c, c)\}$, and let $g : A \rightarrow A$ be the function $g = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, a)\}$. Find $g \circ f$ and $f \circ g$.

Proof.

$$g \circ f = \{(a, a), (b, a), (c, a)\}$$

$$f \circ g = \{(a, c), (b, c), (c, c)\}$$

□

12.4.8 **Theorem.** Consider the functions $f, g : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ defined as $f(m, n) = (3m - 4n, 2m + n)$ and $g(m, n) = (5m + n, m)$. Find the formulas for $g \circ f$ and $f \circ g$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} g \circ f(m, n) &= g(3m - 4n, 2m + n) \\ &= (5(3m - 4n) + (2m + n), (3m - 4n)) \\ &= (17m - 19n, 3m - 4n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f \circ g(m, n) &= f(5m + n, m) \\ &= (3(5m + n) - 4m, 2(5m + n) + m) \\ &= (11m + 3n, 11m + 2n) \end{aligned}$$

□

12.4.10 **Theorem 1.** Consider the function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined by the formula $f(x, y) = (xy, x^3)$. Find a formula for $f \circ f$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} f \circ f(x, y) &= f(xy, x^3) \\ &= (xy(x^3), (xy)^3) \\ &= (x^4y, x^3y^3) \end{aligned}$$

□

12.5.2 **Theorem.** In exercise 9 of Section 12.2 you proved that $f : \mathbb{R} - \{2\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} - \{5\}$ defined by $f(x) = \frac{5x+1}{x-2}$ is bijective. Now find its inverse.

Proof. Set $y = f(x)$.

$$y = \frac{5x + 1}{x - 2}$$

Solve for x . This is possible because f is injective.

$$\begin{aligned} xy - 2y &= 5x + 1 \\ x(y - 5) &= 2y + 1 \\ x &= \frac{2y + 1}{y - 5} \end{aligned}$$

This is the equation $x = f^{-1}(y)$. It is defined for all y in the codomain of f because f is surjective. Thus

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2x + 1}{x - 5}.$$

□

12.5.6 Theorem. *The function $f : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ defined by the formula $f(m, n) = (5m + 4n, 4m + 3n)$ is bijective. Find its inverse.*

Proof. Set $(x, y) = f(m, n)$.

$$(x, y) = (5m + 4n, 4m + 3n)$$

This gives a system of 2 equations.

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad & 5m + 4n = x \\ (2) \quad & 4m + 3n = y \end{aligned}$$

Adding -3 times equation (1) and 4 times equation (2), we have

$$m = 4y - 3x.$$

Adding 4 times equation (1) and -5 times equation (2), we have

$$n = 4x - 5y.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} (m, n) &= (4y - 3x, 4x - 5y), \text{ i.e.} \\ f^{-1}(x, y) &= (4y - 3x, 4x - 5y). \end{aligned}$$

□

12.6.2 Theorem. *Consider the function $f : \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\} \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ given as*

$$f = \{(1, 3), (2, 8), (3, 3), (4, 1), (5, 2), (6, 4), (7, 6)\}.$$

Find $f(\{1, 2, 3\})$, $f(\{4, 5, 6, 7\})$, $f(\emptyset)$, $f^{-1}(\{0, 5, 9\})$, and $f^{-1}(\{0, 3, 5, 9\})$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}f(\{1, 2, 3\}) &= \{3, 8\} \\f(\{4, 5, 6, 7\}) &= \{1, 2, 4, 6\} \\f(\emptyset) &= \emptyset \\f^{-1}(\{0, 5, 9\}) &= \emptyset \\f^{-1}(\{0, 3, 5, 9\}) &= \{1, 3\}\end{aligned}$$

□

12.6.6 **Theorem.** *Given a function $f : A \rightarrow B$ and a subset $Y \subseteq B$, is $f(f^{-1}(Y)) = Y$ always true? Prove or give a counterexample.*

Proof. No. As a counterexample, consider the function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ defined as $f(n) = 1$ (a constant function), and set $Y = \mathbb{N}$ (the entire codomain). Then $f^{-1}(Y) = \mathbb{N}$ (the inverse of the codomain is always the domain), but $f(f^{-1}(Y)) = f(\mathbb{N}) = \{1\} \neq Y$.

For this counterexample, notice that the range of f is so small in comparison to the codomain, it is no wonder why we do not recover the original set Y . However, if f was surjective then we would always recover the original set Y and the statement $f(f^{-1}(Y)) = Y$ would be true. □

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