

Set theory catchup/review

1. Just to be annoying, let's (re)consider this set: $S = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}\}$

○ What is $|S|$? _____

2. Consider the case where $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$. Say our "arbitrary" ordering of elements was in increasing order. We might use the bit string 100011 to represent the set $\{1, 5, 6\}$. Using the same ordering as above, provide bit-representations for the following:

○ $A = \{1, 3, 5\}$

○ $B = \{2, 3, 6\}$

○ $A \cup B$

○ $A \cap B$

○ \bar{A}

3. Suppose that

$$A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots$$

is an infinite sequence of sets such that

$$A_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset$$

for every i, j . Is it necessarily true that

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \neq \emptyset?$$

4. Is $A = (0, 1)$ a set. What are its elements? (Hint, that's an interval).

○ How does $B = [0, 1]$ differ from A ?

○ What is $A \cap B$?

○ What is $A - B$? $B - A$?

○ What is (a, a) ? $[a, a]$ where $a \in \mathbf{R}$?

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5. Suppose A , B , and C are mutually disjoint sets such that: union of those three sets?

$$|A \cup B| = 3$$

$$|B \cup C| = 4$$

$$|C \cup A| = 5$$

What is the value of the

○ (Disjoint means that their intersection is the empty set).

○ Can you create 3 equations and 3 unknowns?

Start on Functions (section 2.3)

As has been traditional in this class, we will start by defining a bunch of terms related to functions and then start using them.

- What is a function?
- A **mapping**
 - from **domain** A to **codomain** B $f: A \rightarrow B$
 - y is the **image** of x $f(x) = y$
 - x is the **pre-image** of y $x \in A, y \in B$
 - the **range** is the image of the domain $f(A) = \{y \in B | y = f(x) \wedge x \in A\}$

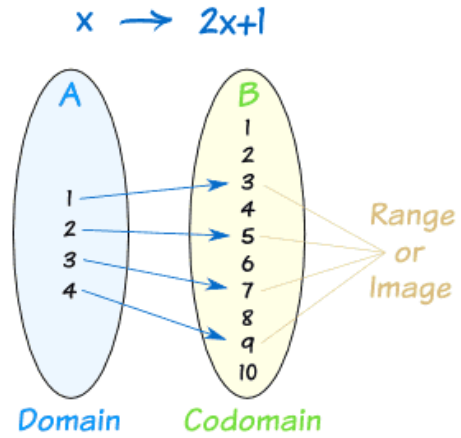


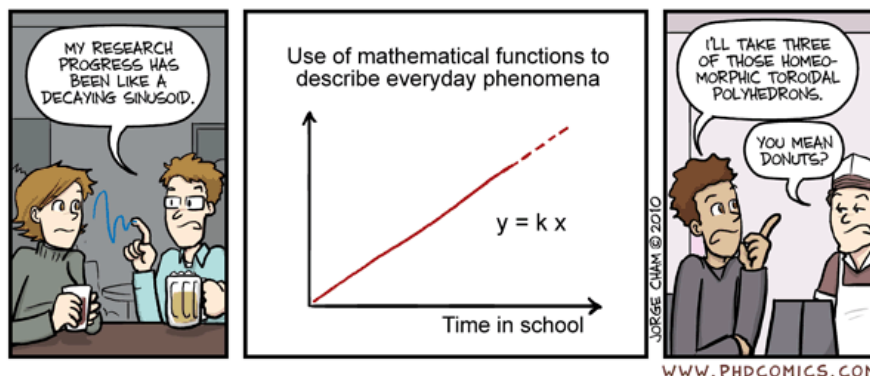
Figure 1: From <http://www.mathsisfun.com>

- For every $x \in A$, there is a single value $f(x) \in B$.

In figure 1, we are considering a function $f(x)=2x+1$ over the domain $\{1,2,3,4\}$ and mapping to the codomain $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$. The range, or image, is $\{3, 5, 7, 9\}$.

Questions

1. With domain and codomain of \mathbf{R} , say we define f such that $f(x)=y$ iff $x=y^2$. Is f a function? Why or why not? If so, what is its range?
2. With domain and codomain of \mathbf{R} , say we define f such that $f(x)=1/x^2$. Is f a function? Why or why not? If so, what is its range?
3. With domain and codomain of \mathbf{R} , say we define f such that $f(x)=y$ iff $y = [x]$. Is f a function? Why or why not? If so, what is its range?



One-to-one and Onto

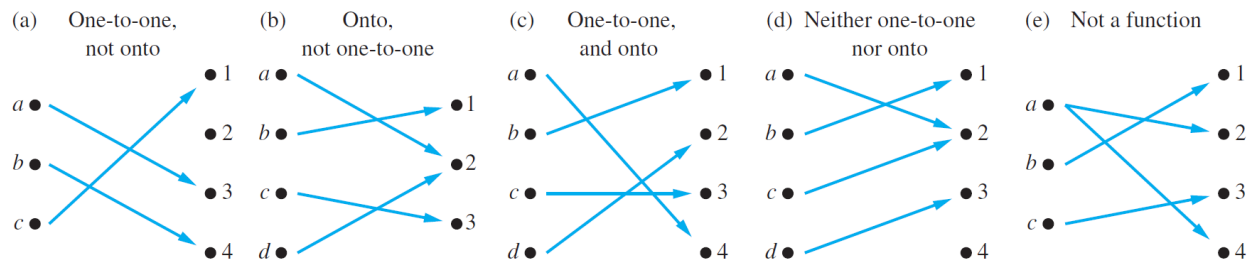
Obviously different functions have different properties. But there are two properties held by some functions that can be very useful.

- Given a function $f: A \rightarrow B$
- f is **one-to-one** (or “**injective**”) iff $\forall a, b \in A [(f(b) = f(a)) \rightarrow (b = a)]$
- f is **onto** (or “**surjective**”) iff $\forall b \in B, \exists a \in A [f(a) = b]$

- A function which never assigns the same value to two different domain elements is called “**one-to-one**”.

- A function which has a range that is equal to its codomain is called “**onto**”

Below are some examples (from page 144 of the text) illustrating the one-to-one and onto properties.



Questions:

1. Consider the following:
 - Let A be the set of UM students and staff.
 - Let B be the set of characters strings that form legal UM unique names
 - Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be the assignment of a unique name to a UM person.
 - Is f a function?
 - Is f onto?
 - Is f one-to-one?
2. With domain and codomain of \mathbf{R} , say we define f such that $f(x)=y$ iff $y = \lceil x \rceil$. Is f one-to-one? Onto?¹
3. With domain and codomain of \mathbf{R} , say we define f such that $f(x)=x^3$. Is f one-to-one? Onto?
4. With domain and codomain of \mathbf{R} , say we define f such that $f(x)=x^2$. Is f one-to-one? Onto?

¹ This is the ceiling function and it is defined to be the next largest integer (basically rounding up).

Inverse functions

If a function f is both one-to-one and onto then we say that it is a **bijection** or a **one-to-one correspondence**.

In such a case f has a unique **inverse** f^{-1} defined by: $f^{-1}(b)=a$ iff $f(a)=b$.

Questions

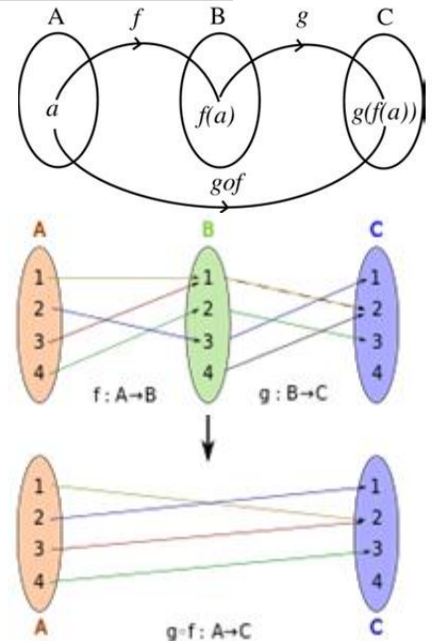
- Let f be the function from $\{a, b, c\}$ to $\{1, 2, 3\}$ such that $f(a) = 2, f(b) = 3,$ and $f(c) = 1$. Is f invertible, and if it is, what is its inverse?
- Let $f: \mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$ be such that $f(x) = x + 1$. Is f invertible, and if it is, what is its inverse?
- Let f be the function from \mathbf{R} to \mathbf{R} with $f(x) = x^2$. Is f invertible, and if it is, what is its inverse?

- Let $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ where $f(x) = x^2$
- Let $g: \mathbf{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^+$ where $g(x) = \sqrt{x}$
- Is g the inverse of f ?
 - What is required for f to have an inverse?
- Is f the inverse of g ?

- Let $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^+$ where $f(x) = 2^x$
- Let $g: \mathbf{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ where $g(x) = \log_2 x$
- Is g the inverse of f ?
 - What is required for f to have an inverse?
- Is f the inverse of g ?

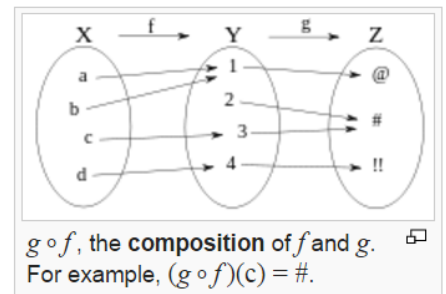
Composition of functions

- Suppose $f: A \rightarrow B$ and $g: B \rightarrow C$.
 - $f(a)=b$ and $g(b)=c$ for $a \in A, b \in B,$ and $c \in C$.
- Then the composition $h = g \circ f$ is a function $h: A \rightarrow C$ or $(g \circ f): A \rightarrow C$
 - Note: $g \circ f$ is read as "g composed with f".
 - $h(a) =$ _____
 - Note that $g \circ f$ cannot be defined unless the range of f is a subset of the domain of g



Function Review Questions

- Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ and $g: B \rightarrow C$.
 - If f and g are one-to-one, is $g \circ f$ also one-to-one?
 - If f and g are onto, is $g \circ f$ also onto?
 - If g and $g \circ f$ are onto, is f also onto?
- Give an example of a function from \mathbf{N} to \mathbf{N} that is
 - one-to-one but not onto.
 - onto but not one-to-one.
 - both onto and one-to-one (but different from the identity function).
 - neither one-to-one nor onto.



Start on Sequences and Summations (2.4)

A sequence is a function from a subset of the set of integers (usually either the set $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ or the set $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$) to a set S . We use the notation a_n to denote the image of the integer n . We call a_n a term of the sequence.

- Consider the sequence where $a_n = 2n$. In that case, the sequence, starting with a_1 is 2, 4, 6, 8, etc.
- Consider the sequence where $a_n = \frac{1}{n}$. In that case, what is the sequence?

Recurrence Relations

A recurrence relation expresses the value of an a_n as a function of previous values. For example, the recurrence relation $a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1, a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$ for $n \geq 2$ defines the *Fibonacci sequence*. That is 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, etc.

The *sequence* is the *solution* to the recurrence relation. Ideally we'd be able to find it in "closed form" or "closed formula" (that is where we could compute a_n directly without finding a_{n-1} first).

- Define the even integers (from lowest to highest) as a recurrence relation.
- Define the factorial function ($n!$) as a recurrence relation.

Recurrence relations hold a special place in computer science. It is often the case that we develop algorithms and then ask ourselves how efficient the algorithm is. And fairly commonly we find ourselves with algorithms where we split the problem into parts and then re-run the algorithm on the parts (recursive programs do this...). We will in fact spend a fair bit of time near the end of this term learning some general techniques for solving recurrence relations (one algorithm turns out to be nearly the same as solving differential equations).

Summation of a sequence

Sometimes we want to know the sum of a sequence. So the sum of the first N elements ($a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_N$). We generally write that as

$$\sum_{i=1}^N a_i$$

Consider the following summation of the sequence $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{2^i}$$

Can you find a closed-form solution to that? What is the value as N approaches infinity?

Find a closed-form solution for the sum of the sequence 1, 2, 3, etc.

Sum	Closed Form
$\sum_{k=0}^n ar^k \ (r \neq 0)$	$\frac{ar^{n+1} - a}{r - 1}, r \neq 1$
$\sum_{k=1}^n k$	$\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$
$\sum_{k=1}^n k^2$	$\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$
$\sum_{k=1}^n k^3$	$\frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}$
$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k, x < 1$	$\frac{1}{1-x}$
$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} kx^{k-1}, x < 1$	$\frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$

Questions

1. What is the value of $\sum_{i=0}^5 (-2)^i$?
2. What is the closed form of the sum $\sum_{k=0}^n a_{k+1} - a_k$? (This is called a “telescoping series”)

3. Find

$$\sum_{j=0}^9 (2^{j+1} - 2^j)$$

4. Finding the closed form of this one is rather annoying. We’ll save for your homework ☺

$$\sum_{k=0}^n k(k+1)$$



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