

**EECS 203**  
**Homework 4 Solutions**

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**10)** Let A and B be sets. Show that:

(10 points)

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**16)**  
(3 points)

Let A, B, and C be sets. Show that  $(A-B)-C = (A-C)-(B-C)$

**Using Membership Tables**

This is the easiest way to show this identity.

A	B	C	A-B	A-C	B-C	$(A-B)-C$	$(A-C)-(B-C)$
1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
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$\therefore (A-B)-C = (A-C)-(B-C)$

18)  
(9 points)

Draw the Venn diagrams for each of the following combinations of the sets A, B, and C

	Combination	Diagram
A)	$A \cap (B \cup C)$	
B)	$\bar{A} \cap \bar{B} \cap \bar{C}$	
C)	$(A - B) \cup (A - C) \cup (B - C)$	

28b)  
(2 points)

Show that if A and B are sets, then  $(A \oplus B) \oplus B = A$

Using Membership Tables

A	B	$A \oplus B$	$(A \oplus B) \oplus B$
1	1	0	1
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$$\therefore (A \oplus B) \oplus B = A$$

10) Determine whether each of the following functions from  $\mathbf{Z}$  to  $\mathbf{Z}$  is one-to-one.  
(8 points)

a)	$f(n) = n-1$ Yes. This is a strictly increasing function; i.e.; $f(x) > f(y)$ whenever $x > y$ , and a strictly increasing function is one-to-one (and onto).
b)	$f(n) = n^2 + 1$ No. This can be proved by a counter example; $f(1) = 2$ , and also $f(-1) = 2$ .
c)	$f(n) = n^3$ Yes. Because this is a strictly increasing function
d)	$f(n) = \lceil n/2 \rceil$ No. This can be shown by a counter example; $f(1) = 1$ , and $f(2) = 1$ .

12) Give an example of a function from  $\mathbf{N}$  to  $\mathbf{N}$  that is  
(8 points) (There can be many possible answers to this question)

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- a) **One-to-one but not onto.**  
 $f(n) = 2n + 1$ . (only odd values are mapped)
- b) **Onto but not one-to-one**  
 $f(n) = \lceil n/2 \rceil$
- c) **Both onto and one-to-one (but different from the identity function)**  
  
 $f(n) = n+1$  when  $n$  is even (even numbers are mapped to odd numbers; take 0 as an even number)  
 $f(n) = n-1$  when  $n$  is odd (odd numbers are mapped to even numbers)
- d) **Neither one-to-one nor onto**  
  
 $f(n) = 10$  when  $n$  is even  
 $f(n) = 0$  when  $n$  is odd
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14) Determine whether each of the following functions is a bijection from  $\mathbf{R}$  to  $\mathbf{R}$ .  
(2 points)

- a)  $f(x) = -3x + 4$   
Yes.
- d)  $f(x) = x^5 + 1$   
Yes.

20)  
(8 points)

If  $f$  and  $f \circ g$  are one-to-one, does it follow that  $g$  is one-to-one? Justify your answer.

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**Yes. If  $f$  and  $f \circ g$  are one-one functions,  $g$  is also one-one.**

The proof is by contradiction. Suppose  $g$  is not one-one then we prove that either  $f$  is not one-one or  $f \circ g$  is not one-one.

The function  $f$  is not under our control but  $f \circ g$  is under our control because  $g$  is under our control.

If  $f$  is not one-one, then the proof ends there itself. But whatever be the case of  $f$ ,  $f \circ g$  cannot be one-one. This can be proved by the following argument.

Let  $g: A \rightarrow B$  and  $f: B \rightarrow C$ .

By assumption, since  $g$  is not one-one, there exists 2 distinct elements  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  such that  $g(x_1) = g(x_2) = y$  where  $y$  belongs to  $B$ .

Let  $f(y) = z$  for some  $z$  belonging to  $C$ .

Thus,  $f \circ g(x_1) = f \circ g(x_2) = z$ . Hence  $f \circ g$  cannot be one-one.

This means that if  $f$  and  $f \circ g$  are one-one,  $g$  has to be one-one using the fact that  $p \rightarrow q \Leftrightarrow \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$

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