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B\*. Examine each one of the following propositions to determine whether or not its true; indicate your choice by circling either “T” or “F” then prove that the choice is correct:

i.  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni f(x) = x^2 - 1 \Rightarrow f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  1:1

T F

Sample proof:

Given that  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni f(x) = x^2 - 1$ , we need to demonstrate that  $f$  is not an injection. Our definition of injection (#013-C in our glossary) is as follows:

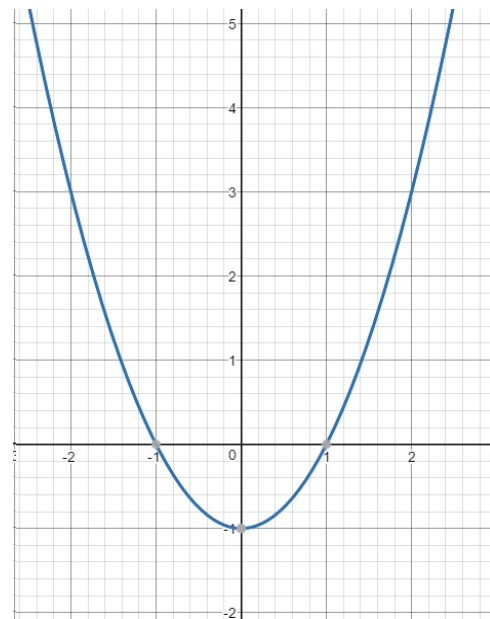
Given  $A, B \in \{ \text{sets} \}$ , (  $f: A \rightarrow B \Leftrightarrow f: A \rightarrow B \ni ((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in f \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2)$  ) 1:1

Consider two *different* domain elements  $-3$  and  $3$ :

$$((f(-3) = (-3)^2 - 1 = 8) \wedge (f(3) = 3^2 - 1 = 8)) \Rightarrow (-3, 8), (3, 8) \in f$$

$\therefore f$  is not an injection. *Q.E.D. (quod erat demonstrandum)*

An aside: Check out the graph of  $f$ .



$$\text{ii. } f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni f(x) = x^2 - 1 \Rightarrow f: \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} \mathbb{R}$$

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Sample proof:

Given that  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni f(x) = x^2 - 1$ , we need to demonstrate that  $f$  is not a surjection. Our definition of surjection (#013-D in our glossary) is as follows:

Given  $A, B \in \{\text{sets}\}$ , ( $f: A \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} B \Leftrightarrow f: A \rightarrow B \ni \text{the range of } f = B$ )

So we need to display an element from the codomain that is not also an element of the range. Consider the codomain element  $-3$ :

Suppose  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R} \ni f(x) = -3$ , then we have the following string of deductions:

$$f(x) = -3 \Rightarrow x^2 - 1 = -3 \Rightarrow x^2 = -2 \Rightarrow x \in \{-\sqrt{2}i, \sqrt{2}i\} \Rightarrow x \notin \mathbb{R}$$

Thus,  $\nexists x \in \mathbb{R} \ni f(x) = -3$

$\therefore f$  is not a surjection. *Q.E.D.*

$$\text{iii. } g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni g(x) = \sqrt[3]{x} \Rightarrow g : \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\text{11}} \mathbb{R}$$

(T) F

Sample proof:

Given that  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni g(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$ , we need to demonstrate that  $f$  is an injection. Our definition of injection (#013-C in our glossary) is as follows:

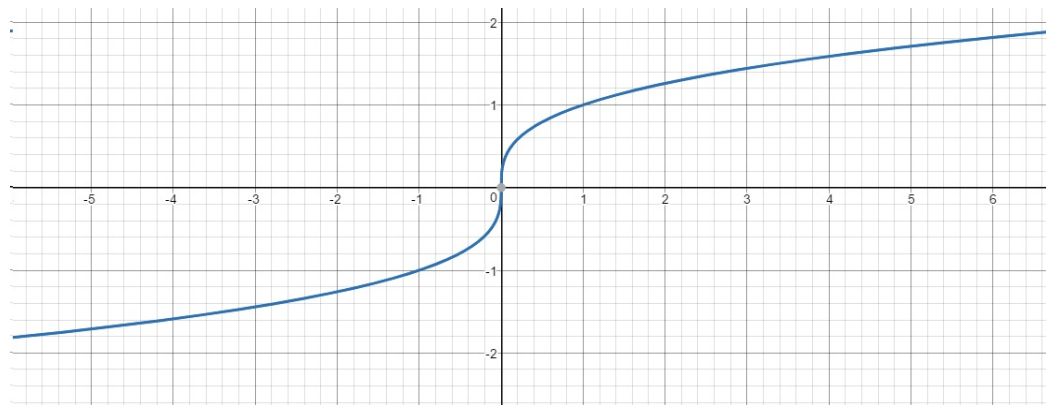
Given  $A, B \in \{\text{sets}\}$ , ( $f : A \xrightarrow{\text{11}} B \Leftrightarrow f : A \rightarrow B \ni ((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_1) \in f \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2)$ )

So we need to demonstrate that  $(g(x_1) = y_1 \wedge g(x_2) = y_1) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$ . Here we go:

$$(g(x_1) = y_1 \wedge g(x_2) = y_1) \Rightarrow (\sqrt[3]{x_1} = y_1 \wedge \sqrt[3]{x_2} = y_1) \Rightarrow (x_1 = y_1^3 \wedge x_2 = y_1^3) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2 \quad \text{☺}$$

$\therefore g$  is an injection. *Q.E.D.*

An aside: Check out the graph of  $g$ .



$$\text{iv. } g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni g(x) = \sqrt[3]{x} \Rightarrow g : \overset{\text{onto}}{\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}}$$

(T) F

A sample proof:

Given  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni g(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$ , we need to demonstrate that  $g$  is surjection. Our definition of surjection (#013-D in our glossary) is as follows:

Given  $A, B \in \{\text{sets}\}$ , ( $f : \overset{\text{onto}}{A \rightarrow B} \Leftrightarrow f : A \rightarrow B \ni \text{the range of } f = B$ )

$g$  is a surjection because the codomain is the range. Here is a proof of that fact:

Suppose  $y \in \mathbb{R}$  (i.e., an arbitrary element in the codomain), we need to demonstrate that  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}$  (i.e., an element in the domain)  $\ni g(x) = y$ . Consider  $x = y^3$ . Note that since  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ , we know that  $y^3 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Also  $g(y^3) = \sqrt[3]{y^3} = y$ . That bit of deduction makes me smile. *Q.E.D.*

Although revealing the scratch work behind my choice of  $y^3$  for  $x$  in the proof above is not a necessary part of the proof itself, I want to show it to you anyway:

$$g(x) = y \Rightarrow \sqrt[3]{x^3} = y \Rightarrow x = y^3$$

$$\text{v.} \quad h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni h(x) = \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow h : \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\text{H}} \mathbb{R}$$

(T) F

Sample proof:

This is just weird. In the first place the hypothesis of the proposition ( i.e.,  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni h(x) = \sqrt{x}$  ) is false because since negative real numbers are in the domain but the principal square root of a negative number is not a real number. But let's check out a couple of rows from our truth table from Line 002-H of our glossary:

$p$	$q$	$\bar{p}$	$p \vee q$	$p \wedge q$	$p \vee q$	$p \Rightarrow q$	$q \Rightarrow p$	$\bar{q} \Rightarrow \bar{p}$	$p \Leftrightarrow q$
T	T	F	T	T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	F
F	T	T	T	F	T	T	F	T	F
F	F	T	F	F	F	T	T	T	T

So the proposition (  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ni h(x) = \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow h : \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\text{H}} \mathbb{R}$  ) is vacuously true. *Q.E. D.*

$$\text{vi.} \quad (s \subseteq (\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}) \times \mathbb{Q} \ni s = \{((x, y), x \cdot y) : x, y \in \mathbb{Q}\}) \Rightarrow s : \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q} \xrightarrow{1:1} \mathbb{Q}$$

T F

Just a note: In a subsequent stage of Math 4200, we will refer to functions such as  $s$  in this proposition as a “binary operation on a set.” In this case, the set is  $\mathbb{Q}$  and the binary operation is ordinary multiplication. Okay, on to the business of proving this proposition false.

A sample proof:

It is true that  $s : \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ , but it is not an injection. Note that  $(3, 2), (12, 0.5) \in \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$ .

Furthermore,  $3 \cdot 2 = 6 \wedge 12 \cdot 0.5 = 6$ . Thus, we have  $s((3, 2)) = s((12, 0.5))$  although  $(3, 2) \neq (12, 0.5)$ .

$\therefore s$  is not an injection. *Q.E.D.*