

Topic 2: Functions

Ch2.3 Functions

1 input \rightarrow $>$ 1 outputs: not a function
domain: possible inputs
codomain: possible outputs
image: input
preimage: output
range: all outputs

How to do injective/surjective proofs:

injective

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f(y) \\ mx + b &= my + b \\ mx &= my \\ x &= y \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

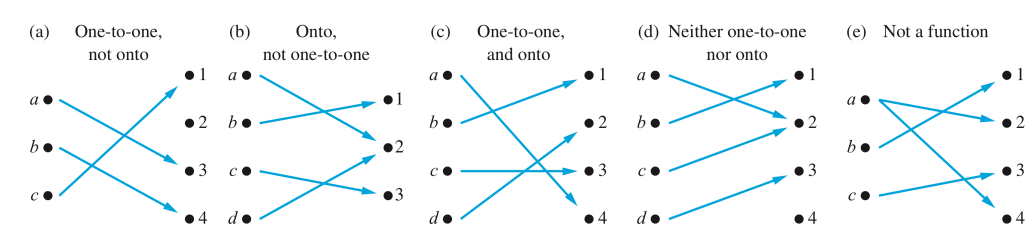
surjective

$$\begin{aligned} y &= mx + b \\ y - b &= mx \\ \boxed{\frac{y - b}{m}} &= x \quad \checkmark \\ \text{inverse} \end{aligned}$$

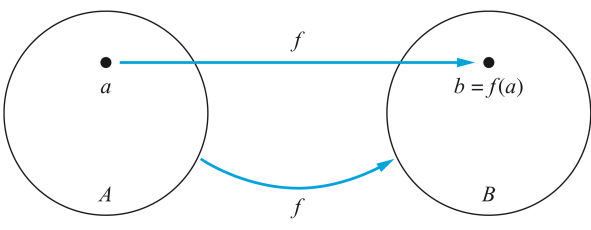
How to prove not injective/surjective:

not injective: find a counterexample of 2 different inputs map to the same output.

not surjective: find a preimage/output (within the codomain) that doesn't have an image/input (within the domain).



Examples of Different Types of Correspondences



The function f Maps A to B.



one-to-one/injective: iff $f(a) = f(b)$ implies that $a = b$ for all a and b in the domain of f .
onto/surjective: iff for every element $b \in B$ there is an element $a \in A$ with $f(a) = b$.
bijection/one-to-one correspondence: both injective and surjective.

Inverse functions



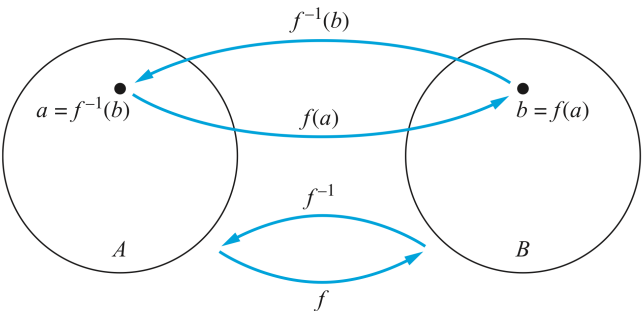
Inverse function: (be bijective) $f^{-1}(b) = a$ when $f(a) = b$.



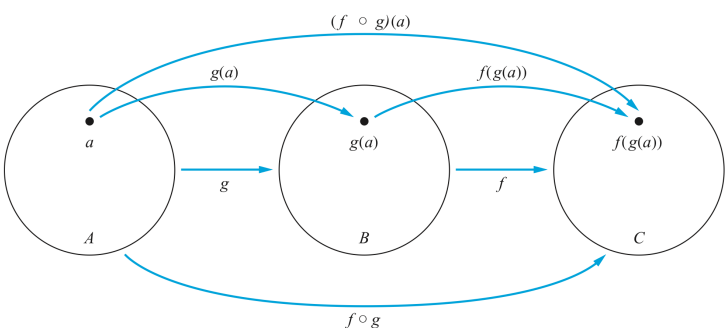
Composition: $f \circ g, (f \circ g)(a) = f(g(a))$.

- invertible**: Can define an inverse of this function (bijective);
- not invertible**: The inverse of such a function does not exist.

- $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$ are not equal.



The function f^{-1} is the inverse of function f .



The composition of the functions f and g .

Some Important Functions



floor: $\lfloor x \rfloor$, largest integer $\leq x$; *ceiling*: $\lceil x \rceil$, smallest integer $\geq x$.

Appendix B-1 & 2: floor & ceiling function graphs; B-3: useful properties of floor and ceiling function.