

# CISC 2210 Discrete Structures - Noson S. Yanofsky

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**1.5**

**1.**

Let  $f(n) = n^2 + 3$  and  $g(n) = 5n - 11$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$   
Thus  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  and  $g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  Calculate:

**(a)**

$$\begin{aligned} &f(1) \text{ and } g(1) \\ &f(1) = 1^2 + 3 = 4 \\ &g(1) = 5(1) - 11 = -6 \end{aligned}$$

**(b)**

$$\begin{aligned} &f(2) \text{ and } g(2) \\ &f(2) = 2^2 + 3 = 7 \\ &g(2) = 5(2) - 11 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

**(c)**

$$\begin{aligned} &f(3) \text{ and } g(3) \\ &f(3) = 3^2 + 3 = 12 \\ &g(3) = 5(3) - 11 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

**(d)**

$$\begin{aligned} &f(4) \text{ and } g(4) \\ &f(4) = 4^2 + 3 = 19 \\ &g(4) = 5(4) - 11 = 9 \end{aligned}$$

**(e)**

$$\begin{aligned} &f(5) \text{ and } g(5) \\ &f(5) = 5^2 + 3 = 28 \\ &g(5) = 5(5) - 11 = 14 \end{aligned}$$

(f)

To think about: Is  $f(n) + g(n)$  always an even number?

let's test base case of  $n = 0$  to be sure:

$$f(0) \text{ and } g(0)$$

$$f(0) = 0^2 + 3 = 3$$

$$g(0) = 5(0) - 11 = -11$$

$f(n)$  and  $g(n)$  both produce either an even or odd integer within the  $\mathbb{Z}$  domain.

for  $n = \{n : n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } n \bmod 2 = 0\}$

let  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  be outputs of  $f(n)$  and  $g(n)$  respectively,

where  $z = \{z : z \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } z \bmod 2 = 0\}$

thus,  $(z_1 + z_2) \bmod 2 = 0$

for  $n + 1 = \{n : n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } n \bmod 2 = 1\}$

let  $z_1 + 1$  and  $z_2 + 1$  be outputs of  $f(n)$  and  $g(n)$  respectively,

where  $z = \{z : z \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } z \bmod 2 = 0\}$

thus,  $((z_1 + 1) + (z_2 + 1)) \bmod 2 = (z_1 + z_2 + 2) \bmod 2 = 0$

Yes,  $f(n) + g(n)$  consistently produces an even integer within the  $\mathbb{Z}$  domain.

2.

Consider the function  $h : \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}$  defined by  $h(n) = |\{k \in \mathbb{N} : k|n\}|$

for  $n \in \mathbb{P}$ . In words,  $h(n)$  is the number of divisors of  $n$ .

Calculate  $h(n)$  for  $1 \leq n \leq 10$  and for  $n = 73$ .

$$h(1) = 1$$

$$h(2) = |1,2| = 2$$

$$h(3) = |1,3| = 2$$

$$h(4) = |1,2,4| = 3$$

$$h(5) = |1,5| = 2$$

$$h(6) = |1,2,3,6| = 4$$

$$h(7) = |1,7| = 2$$

$$h(8) = |1,2,4,8| = 4$$

$$h(9) = |1,3,9| = 3$$

$$h(10) = |1,2,5,10| = 4$$

$$h(73) = |1,73| = 2$$

3.

Let  $\Sigma^*$  be the language using letters from  $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$ .

We've already seen a useful function from  $\Sigma^*$  to  $\mathbb{N}$ .

It is the length function, which already has a name: `length`. Calculate:

(a)

$$\text{length}(bab) = 3$$

(b)

$$\text{length}(aaaaaaaa) = 8$$

(c)

$$\text{length}(\lambda) = 0$$

(d)

What is the image set  $\text{Im}(\text{length})$  for this function?

$$\mathbb{N}$$

5.

Let  $f$  be the function in example 3:

$$f(m, n) = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - \lfloor \frac{m-1}{2} \rfloor$$

(a)

Calculate  $f(0, 0)$ ,  $f(8, 8)$ ,  $f(-8, -8)$ ,  $f(73, 73)$ , and  $f(-73, -73)$

$$f(0, 0) = \lfloor \frac{0}{2} \rfloor - \lfloor \frac{0-1}{2} \rfloor = 0 - (-1) = 1$$

$$f(8, 8) = \lfloor \frac{8}{2} \rfloor - \lfloor \frac{8-1}{2} \rfloor = 4 - 3 = 1$$

$$f(-8, -8) = \lfloor \frac{-8}{2} \rfloor - \lfloor \frac{-8-1}{2} \rfloor = -4 - (-5) = 1$$

$$f(73, 73) = \lfloor \frac{73}{2} \rfloor - \lfloor \frac{73-1}{2} \rfloor = 36 - 36 = 0$$

$$f(-73, -73) = \lfloor \frac{-73}{2} \rfloor - \lfloor \frac{-73-1}{2} \rfloor = -36 - (-36) = 0$$

(b)

Find  $f(n, n)$  for all  $(n, n)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}x\mathbb{Z}$ .

*Hint: Consider the cases when  $n$  is even and when it is odd*

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{if } n \bmod 2 = 0, f(n, n) = 1, \\ &\text{else if } n \bmod 2 = 1, f(n, n) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

8.

Let  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  and consider the functions  $1_s, f, g$  and  $h$  from  $S$  into  $S$  defined by  $1_s(n) = n, f(n) = 6 - n, g(n) = \max\{3, n\}$ , and  $h(n) = \max\{1, n - 1\}$

(a)

Write each of these functions as a set of ordered pairs, i.e., list the elements in their graphs:

$$1_s(n) = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5)\}$$

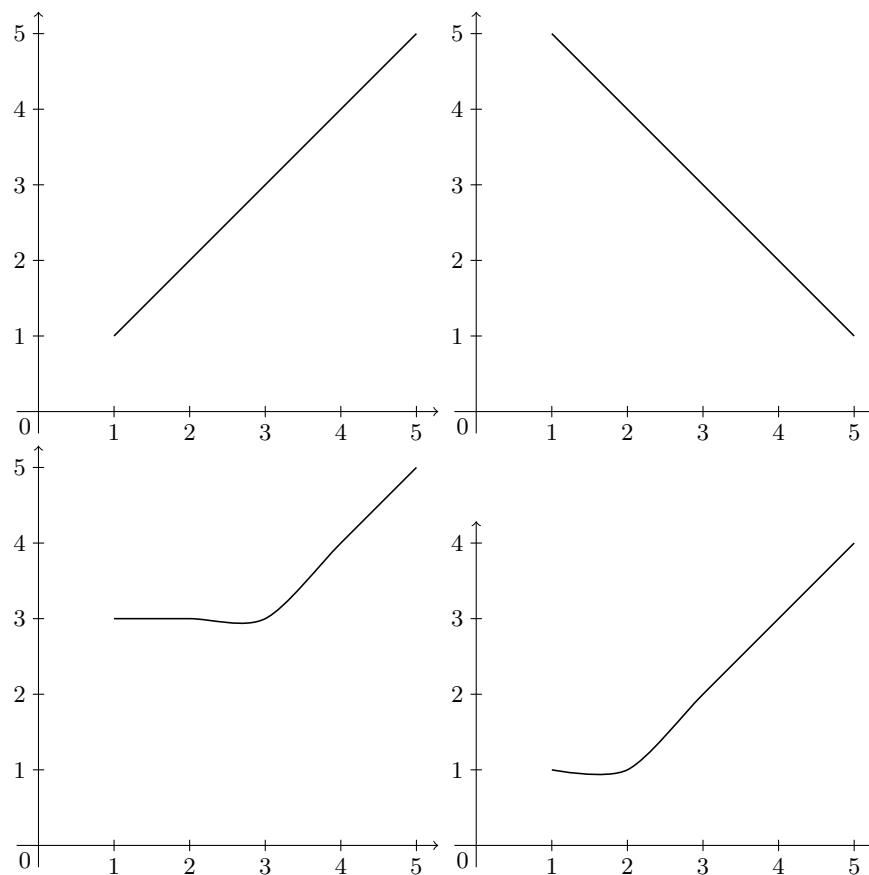
$$f(n) = \{(1, 5), (2, 4), (3, 3), (4, 2), (5, 1)\}$$

$$g(n) = \{(1, 3), (2, 3), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5)\}$$

$$h(n) = \{(1, 1), (2, 1), (3, 2), (4, 3), (5, 4)\}$$

(b)

Sketch a graph of each of these functions:



9.

For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , let  $f(n) = \frac{1}{2}[(-1)^n + 1]$ .  
The function  $f$  is the characteristic function for some subset of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .  
Which subset?

$\{0,1\}$ , where 1 = all even integers in  $\mathbb{Z}$

10.

Consider subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of a set  $S$

(a)

The function  $X_A \cdot X_B$  is the characteristic function of some subset of  $S$ .  
Which subset?

$$A \cap B$$

(b)

Repeat part (a) for the function  $X_A + X_B - X_{A \cap B}$

$$A \cup B$$

(c)

Repeat part (a) for the function  $X_A + X_B - 2 \cdot X_{A \cap B}$

$$A \setminus B \cup B \setminus A$$

13.

We define functions mapping  $\mathbb{R}$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x^3 - 4x \\ g(x) &= \frac{1}{x^2 + 1} \\ h(x) &= x^4 \end{aligned}$$

(a)

Find  $f \circ f$

$$\begin{aligned} &f(x^3 - 4x) \\ &= (x^3 - 4x)^3 - 4(x^3 - 4x) \end{aligned}$$

(e)

Find  $f \circ g \circ h$

$$\begin{aligned} & f(g(h(x))) \\ &= f(g(x^4)) \\ &= f\left(\frac{1}{(x^4)^2+1}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{(x^4)^2+1}\right)^3 - 4\left(\frac{1}{(x^4)^2+1}\right) \end{aligned}$$