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1. Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a function with $f(1) = b$, $f(2) = a$, and $f(3) = b$.

a. What is the domain of f ?

the set A

b. What is the codomain of f ?

the set B

c. What is the range of f ?

{a, b}

2. Determine whether the following functions from the real numbers to the real numbers are injective, surjective, or bijective.

a. $f(x) = |x|$

For injectivity, we need to check if $f(x) = f(y) \rightarrow x = y$. Consider $f(2)$ and $f(-2)$. Since $f(2) = |2| = 2 = |-2| = f(-2)$, it is not the case that $f(x) = f(y) \rightarrow x = y$, so the function is not injective. For surjectivity, we need to check if all possible real numbers can result from applying f . Since f is the absolute value function, it must be the case that $f(x) > 0$ for all x . Therefore, there is no x such that $f(x) = -1$. Therefore, the function is not surjective. Since it is not injective (and not surjective, although one is enough), f is not bijective.

b. $f(x) = 3.14$

We have $f(1) = 3.14 = f(2)$, so the function is not injective. Similarly, since $f(x) = 3.14$ for all x , there is no x such that $f(x) = 1$, for instance. Therefore, the function is not surjective either. Since it is not injective (and not surjective, although one is enough), f is not bijective.

c. $f(x) = 2x^2$

We have $f(-1) = 2 = f(1)$, so the function is not injective. To determine if the function is surjective, we try to find an x such that $f(x) = -1$. We have $-1 = 2x^2$, so $x = \sqrt{-1/2}$. x is therefore not a real number, so the function is not surjective. Since it is not injective (and not surjective, although one is enough), f is not bijective.

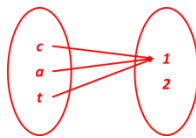
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d. $f(x) = 3x^3 + 2$

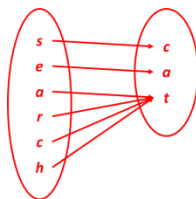
To determine if the function is injective, we need to determine if $f(x) = f(y) \rightarrow x = y$. Assume $f(x) = f(y)$. So $3x^3 + 2 = 3y^3 + 2$. Subtract 2 from both sides to get $3x^3 = 3y^3$. Divide both sides by 3 to get $x^3 = y^3$. Take the cube root of both sides to get $x = y$. Thus, $f(x) = f(y) \rightarrow x = y$ and so the function is injective. To determine if the function is surjective, suppose we want to find the value x such that $f(x) = y$ for some y . Then $y = 3x^3 + 2$. Solving for x , we get $x = \sqrt[3]{(1/3)y - 2}$, which is always a real number when y is a real number. Therefore, we can produce any real number as a result of applying f , and so f is surjective. Since f is both injective and surjective, f is also bijective.

3. Let $A = \{c, a, t\}$, $B = \{d, o, g\}$, $C = \{s, e, a, r, c, h\}$, $D = \{1, 2\}$. Using these sets as domain and co-domain, define functions having the following properties and explain why the properties hold, or explain why it is impossible to have such a function.

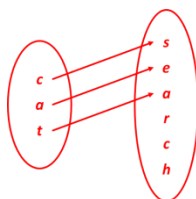
- a. A function that is not injective or surjective.



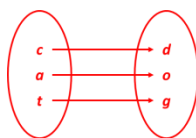
- b. A function that is surjective but not injective.



- c. A function that is injective but not surjective.



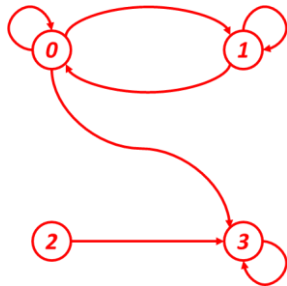
- d. A function that is bijective.



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4. Consider the relation $R_1 = \{ (0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 3), (1, 1), (1, 0), (2, 3), (3, 3) \}$ defined on the set $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$.

- a. Draw the directed graph.



- b. Determine whether or not the relation is reflexive.

This relation is not reflexive because $2 \not R_1 2$.

- c. Determine whether or not the relation is symmetric.

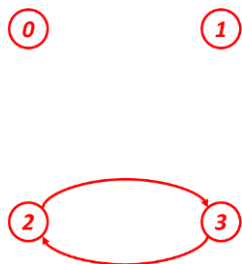
This relation is not symmetric because $2 R_1 3$ but $3 \not R_1 2$.

- d. Determine whether or not the relation is transitive.

This relation is not transitive because $1 R_1 0$ and $0 R_1 3$ but $1 \not R_1 3$.

5. Consider the relation $R_2 = \{ (2, 3), (3, 2) \}$ defined on the set $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$.

- a. Draw the directed graph.



- b. Determine whether or not the relation is reflexive.

This relation is not reflexive because $0 \not R_2 0$.

- c. Determine whether or not the relation is symmetric.

This relation is symmetric.

- d. Determine whether or not the relation is transitive.

This relation is not transitive because $2 R_2 3$ and $3 R_2 2$ but $2 \not R_2 2$.