

Functions Tutorial (Solutions)

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- a. One-one
- b. Onto
- c. Onto
- d. One-one
- e. Both
- f. Both

4.

If you are using the definition of function as a special kind of relation such that every element in domain is related to a unique element in codomain, then your function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is a subset of $A \times B$ such that

$$(x, y) \text{ and } (x, y_1) \in f \Rightarrow y = y_1$$

$$\text{and } x \in A \Rightarrow \exists y \in B \text{ such that } (x, y) \in f.$$

Now can you get the equivalence you need?

OK. In all details, if $f = g$ i.e. if $f \subseteq g$ and $g \subseteq f$ then,

$$\text{if } a \in \text{dom}(f), \exists b \in B \text{ s.t. } (a, b) \in f$$

Thus, $(a, b) \in f$ and hence $(a, b) \in g$ and hence $a \in \text{dom}(g)$ and also $g(a) = b = f(a)$. Thus, $\text{dom}(f) \subseteq \text{dom}(g)$ and $f(a) = g(a)$ on $\text{dom}(f)$.

Similarly, you show that $\text{dom}(g) \subseteq \text{dom}(f)$ and $f(a) = g(a)$ on $\text{dom}(g)$.

The converse is proved along similar lines.

5.

$$(f \circ g)(x) = \sqrt{3x + 1}$$

$$(g \circ f)(x) = 3\sqrt{x} + 1$$

$$\text{And hence, } f \circ g \neq g \circ f$$

6.

$$g \circ f : \mathbb{Q}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ and } (g \circ f)(x) = 2 + \frac{1}{x} \text{ for } x \in \mathbb{Q}^+$$

P.S. note the domain of this composition.

10.

Statement is false

Counter-example:

$$A = B = \mathbb{N}, C = \{1\}, f(n) = n + 1$$

Thus f is one-one

$$f(A - C) = \mathbb{N} - \{1, 2\} \text{ and } B - f(C) = \mathbb{N} - \{2\}$$

And hence we can see that $B - f(C) \not\subseteq f(A - C)$

11.

Let the length and breadth of the rectangle be x and y , and let $g : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that $y = g(x)$

Since area is equal to it's perimeter, we get $xy = 2(x + y)$

and hence, $y = \frac{2x}{x-2}$

But also, $x = \frac{2y}{y-2}$

Thus, we can write $x = g^{-1}(y)$ and then we can see that $g = g^{-1}$

Hence, the function g is an involution.

Also, $f(x) = \frac{2x}{x-2}$ for $x \in \mathbb{Z}^+$