

# Homework 5; Due Monday, 2/12/2018

**Quick Answer Questions.** No work needed. No partial credit available.

**Question 1.** Give an example of each of the following:

- (a) An assignment rule with domain  $A = \{a, b, 4, 39, 23\}$ , and codomain  $B = \{\text{cat}, d, e, f, 2, 3\}$  that defines an injective function

**Solution.**  $f : A \rightarrow B$

$$f(a) = \text{cat}$$

$$f(b) = d$$

$$f(4) = e$$

$$f(39) = f$$

$$f(23) = 2$$

- (b) A function  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : x \text{ is even}\}$  that is bijective.

**Solution.**

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & x \text{ is even.} \\ 1 - x & x \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

- (c) A codomain  $S$  so that the function  $h : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow S$  defined below is bijective.

$$h(n) = \begin{cases} n & n \text{ is even.} \\ -2n & n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

**Solution.**  $\{x \in \mathbb{Z} : x \text{ is even} \setminus \{0\}\}$ .

**Question 2.** Write the contrapositive of each of the following statements, and answer true or false to indicate the truth value of the contrapositive:

- (a) If  $a > 0$  then  $\forall b, c \in \mathbb{R}, (b > c \Rightarrow ab > ac)$ .

**Solution.**  $\exists b, c \in \mathbb{R}, (b > c \text{ and } ab \leq ac) \Rightarrow a \leq 0$

True

- (b) If  $\cos(x^2 - 7x + 12) = 1$ , then  $x = 3$ .

**Solution.** If  $x \neq 3$ , then  $\cos(x^2 - 7x + 12) \neq 1$

False (x can equal 4)

(c) If  $x$  is divisible by 6 then  $x$  is not prime.

**Solution.** If  $x$  is prime, then  $x$  is not divisible by 6.

True

**Full Justification Questions.** Provide complete justifications and/or proofs for your responses.

**Question 3.** Prove or disprove the following statements, using contradiction:

(a) If  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}$  are the sides of a **right** triangle and  $\mathbf{c}$  is the hypotenuse then  $\mathbf{c} < \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$ . (Hint:  $\mathbf{a}^2 + \mathbf{b}^2 = \mathbf{c}^2$ ).

**Solution.** We want to prove that if  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}$  are the sides of a **right** triangle and  $\mathbf{c}$  is the hypotenuse then  $\mathbf{c} < \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$ . We assume for the sake of contradiction that  $a, b, c$  are the sides of a right triangle and  $c$  is the hypotenuse and  $c \geq a + b$ . When we square both sides we get  $c^2 \geq a^2 + 2ab + b^2$ . We assume  $a$  and  $b$  are positive since we cannot have a negative length on the side of a triangle. Thus,  $c^2 \geq a^2 + b^2$  is true under this assumption, but this is a contradiction since the Pythagorean Theorem states that  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ . Therefore,  $c \geq a + b$  cannot be true, so the original statement is true. QED

(b)  $\mathbb{R}^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0\}$ , the set of positive real numbers, does not have a minimum element, also called a smallest element. (Note: Look up the definition of the minimum element in the supplementary document after theorem 3.6)

**Solution.** We want to prove that the set of positive real numbers does not have a minimum element. We assume for the sake of contradiction that the set of positive real numbers does have a minimum element. We will let this minimum element be  $n$ . Since  $0 < \frac{n}{2} < n$ , we know that there is a positive real number ( $\frac{n}{2}$ ) that is less than  $n$ . This is a contradiction since  $n$  was the minimum element in the set of positive real numbers. Therefore, our original statement is true. QED

**Question 4.** Determine if the following statements are true or false, and provide a proof of your answer.

(a) The function  $g : \mathbb{P}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2$ ,  $g(p)(x) = \int_0^x p(t)dt$  is injective.

**Solution.** True

We want to prove that the function  $g : \mathbb{P}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2$ ,  $g(p)(x) = \int_0^x p(t)dt$  is injective.

Let  $p, q \in \mathbb{P}_1$  be generic.

We let  $\int_0^x p(t)dt = \int_0^x q(t)dt$

Then  $p(x) = a_1x + a_0$  for some  $a_1, a_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $q(x) = b_1x + b_0$  for some  $b_1, b_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Assume  $g(p) = g(q)$ .

$$\int_0^x p(t) dt = 0 \implies p(x) = 0$$

Hence,  $p(t) = q(t)$  and  $g : \mathbb{P}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2$  because  $p(x) = 0$ .

Thus, we have proven that the function is injective. QED

(b) The function

$$g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} -x + 1 & x > 0 \\ -x^2 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

is injective.

**Solution.** False (Not injective)

Choose  $x = 1$  and  $y = 0$ .

Then  $1 \neq 0$  so  $x \neq y$ .

But  $-(1) + 1 = 0$  and  $-(0)^2 = 0$ .

So  $g(x) = g(y)$ .

Therefore,  $g$  is not injective. QED

**Question 5.** Determine if the following functions are surjective. Provide a proof.

(a)  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $f(x, y) = (x + 4y, -3x - 12y)$ .

**Solution.** Not Surjective

We want to prove that  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $f(x, y) = (x + 4y, -3x - 12y)$  is not surjective.

We will use proof by contradiction.

Therefore, assume  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $f(x, y) = (x + 4y, -3x - 12y)$  is surjective.

We will choose  $(x, y) = (2, 4)$  which is in our codomain  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

So  $x + 4y = 2$

$x = 2 - 4y$ .

We also have  $-3x - 12y = 4$

$x = -\frac{4}{3} - 4y$

Set both  $x$  values equal to each other.

Thus,  $2 - 4y = -\frac{4}{3} - 4y$ .

But  $2 \neq -\frac{4}{3}$ .

This is a contradiction, so our original statement is true.

The function is not surjective. QED

(b)

$$g : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$g(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{n+1}{2} & n \text{ is odd.} \\ -\frac{n}{2} & n \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

**Solution.** Not surjectiveChoose  $y = 0$  which is in our codomain  $\mathbb{Z}$ .Then for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  generic in our domain,  $g(n) = -\frac{n}{2} = 0$  or  $g(n) = \frac{n+1}{2} = 0$ In either case,  $n$  is equal to 0 or  $-1$ , neither of which is in the domain of natural numbers.Therefore,  $g(n)$  is not surjective.**Question 6.** Define the Fibonacci sequence by:

$$a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1, a_2 = 1$$

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} \quad n \geq 2$$

Show, using induction:

$$a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2 = a_n a_{n+1}$$

**Solution.** We will use mathematical induction.The conditional statement is  $P(n) : a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2 = a_n a_{n+1}$ .Base Case:  $P(1) : a_1^2 = a_1 \times a_2$ .

$$a_1^2 = 1$$

$$a_1 \times a_2 = 1$$

Inductive Step: Fix  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .We want to prove  $p(k) \implies p(k+1)$ .Assume  $P(k)$  is true for some generic  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ Thus,  $a_1^2 + \dots + a_k^2 = a_k \times a_{k+1}$  is true.Now we prove that  $P(k+1)$  is true.

$$= a_1^2 + \dots + a_k^2 + a_{k+1}^2 = a_k \times a_{k+1} + a_{k+1}^2.$$

$$= a_{k+1}(a_k + a_{k+1}) = a_{k+2}$$

Thus  $P(k+1)$  is true.So  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $P(n)$  is true by mathematical induction. QED**Question 7.** Define a function,  $F$ , as

$$F : \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$

via the rule,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if } p(x) &= a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2, \\ \text{then } F(p) &= (a_0, a_0 + a_2, a_0 + 3a_1 + 4a_2). \end{aligned}$$

The function  $F$  given above is bijective, which you can assume without proof. Find (and give) the assignment rule for  $F^{-1}$  and specify its domain and codomain. Confirm that for a generic  $p \in \mathbb{P}_2$  with  $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$ , that you have  $[F^{-1}(F(p))](x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$ .

**Solution.** We will define  $F^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2$  as  $F^{-1}(u, v, w) = u + ux - \frac{-4vx}{3} + \frac{wx}{3} + vx^2 - ux^2$

Let  $p \in \mathbb{P}_2$  be generic

$$p(x) = -a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

$$\text{Thus, } [F^{-1}(F(p))](x) = F^{-1}(a_0, a_0 + a_2, a_0 + 3a_1 + 4a_2)(x)$$

$$= a_0 + a_0x + \frac{4(a_0+a_2)x}{3} + \frac{x(a_0+3a_1+4a_2)}{3} + x^2(a_0 + a_2 + a_0)$$

$$= a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$