Functions

Methods: Logic, Part 3b

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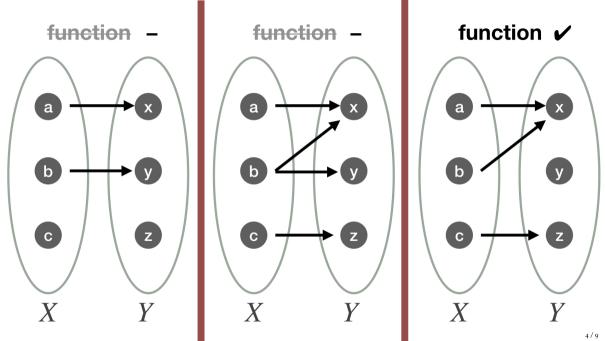
Topics covered

- functions
- properties of functions
 - injective
 - surjective
 - bijective

Functions

Definition

A function $f: X \to Y$ is a relation $f \subseteq X \times Y$ such that for every $x \in X$ there is a unique $y \in Y$ with $\langle x, y \rangle \in f$. We write f(x) for the unique $y \in Y$ with $\langle x, y \rangle \in f$.



Injection, surjection, bijection

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A function f: X \to Y is  injective \ iff \ f(x_1) = f(x_2) \ implies \ x_1 = x_2 \qquad [every \ x \ has \ its \ own \ unique \ y]  surjective \ iff \ for \ each \ y \in Y \ there \ is \ an \ x \in X \ with \ f(x) = y \quad [every \ y \ covered \ by \ an \ x]  bijective \ iff \ f is injective and a surjective
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