

# Student Information

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## Answer 1

Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$ . Prove the following:

- **a)** If  $C_0 \subseteq C$ , show that  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(C_0) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(C_0))$ .
  1. Let's assume that  $(g \circ f)^{-1}(C_0) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(C_0))$  holds for any  $C_0$  that is inside  $C$ .

$$\begin{aligned} ((g \circ f)^{-1} \circ (g \circ f))(C_0) &= ((f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}) \circ (g \circ f))(C_0) \\ &= (((f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}) \circ g) \circ f)(C_0) \\ &= ((f^{-1} \circ (g^{-1} \circ g)) \circ f)(C_0) \\ &= ((f^{-1} \circ I_B) \circ f)(C_0) \\ &= (f^{-1} \circ f)(C_0) \\ &= I_A(C_0) \\ &= C_0 \end{aligned}$$

2. Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} ((g \circ f) \circ (g \circ f)^{-1})(C_0) &= ((g \circ f) \circ (f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}))(C_0) \\ &= (((g \circ f) \circ f^{-1}) \circ g^{-1})(C_0) \\ &= (g \circ (f \circ f^{-1})) \circ g^{-1}(C_0) \\ &= ((g^{-1} \circ I_A) \circ g)(C_0) \\ &= (g^{-1} \circ g)(C_0) \\ &= I_B(C_0) \\ &= C_0 \end{aligned}$$

3. Thus,

- (a)  $((g \circ f)^{-1} \circ (g \circ f))(C_0) = C_0$  and
- (b)  $((g \circ f) \circ (g \circ f)^{-1})(C_0) = C_0$

proves that our assumption is correct.

- **b)** If  $g \circ f$  is injective, what can be said about the injectivity of  $f$  and  $g$ ?
  1. It is known that  $g \circ f$  is injective.
  2. Let us assume,  $\exists x_1, x_2 \in A$ , which satisfies  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ .
  3. By using our assumption, we can say that  $(g \circ f)(x_1) = g(f(x_1)) = g(f(x_2)) = (g \circ f)(x_2)$ .

4. Since  $g \circ f$  is injective, previous statement implies that  $x_1 = x_2$ . Therefore  $f$  is injective.
  5. However we cannot say anything regarding the injectivity of  $g$ .
- c) If  $g \circ f$  is surjective, what can be said about the surjectivity of  $f$  and  $g$ ?
    1. It is known that  $g \circ f$  is surjective.
    2. Let  $z \in C$ .
    3. Since  $g \circ f$  is surjective,  $\exists x \in A$  such that  $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = z$
    4. Let  $f(x) = y$  and  $y \in B$ , then  $g(y) = z$ .
    5. Therefore  $g$  is surjective.
    6. However we cannot say anything regarding the surjectivity of  $f$ .

## Answer 2

- a) Show that if  $f$  has a left inverse,  $f$  is injective; and if  $f$  has a right inverse,  $f$  is surjective.
  1. (a) Let us assume that  $f$  is injective.
    - (b) If we choose  $x_0 \in A$ , the range of  $f^{-1}$  would have exactly one element from  $B$ .
    - (c) Let us select an arbitrary  $b \in f(A)$ . In that case,  $g(b)$  would be the only element of  $f^{-1}$ , while if  $b \notin f(A)$ , the set  $g(b) = x_0$ .
    - (d) Since  $\forall x \in A \rightarrow \exists f(x) \in f(A)$ , we can summarize this as  $\forall x \in A, g(f(x)) = x$
    - (e) Therefore, if  $g$  is a left inverse for  $f$ ,  $f$  must be injective.
  2. (a) Let us have an arbitrary  $b \in B$ .
    - (b) We would like to find such an  $a \in A$  such that  $f(a) = b$ .
    - (c) In order to do so, let us set  $a = g(b)$  and that the right inverse condition implies  $f(a) = f(g(b)) = b$  as desired.
    - (d) Therefore,  $f$  is surjective.
- b) Can a function have more than one left inverse? What about right inverses?
  1. A function can have more than one left inverse.
    - (a) Let us set an arbitrary function as following;
 
$$f(x) = x^2$$
    - (b) The inverse of  $f$  can take two different values, which are
 
$$f^{-1}(x) = +\sqrt{x} \text{ and } f^{-1}(x) = -\sqrt{x}$$
    - (c) Therefore it is possible to have more than one left inverse.
  2. A function can also have more than one right inverse.
    - (a) Let us set an arbitrary function that holds the followings;
 
$$f(1) = f(2) = 1$$

- (b) The inverse of  $f$  can take two different values, which are  
 $f^{-1}(1) = 2$  and  
 $f^{-1}(1) = 1$
- (c) Therefore it is possible to have more than one right inverse.
- c) Show that if  $f$  has both a left inverse  $g$  and a right inverse  $h$ , then  $f$  is bijective and  $g = h = f^{-1}$ .
    1. Since  $g$  is a left inverse, we can state that  

$$(g \circ f)(x) = x$$
    2. By using the proof that on the part (a) of question 1, we can rewrite the second equation as following,  

$$(f \circ g)^{-1}(x) = x$$

$$g^{-1} \circ (f^{-1}(x)) = x$$

$$g \circ g^{-1} \circ (f^{-1}(x)) = g(x)$$
    3. Since  $g \circ g^{-1} = I_B$ ,  

$$f^{-1}(x) = g(x)$$
    4. Likewise, since  $h$  is a right inverse, we can state that  

$$(f \circ h)(x) = x$$
    5. By using the proof that on the part (a) of question 1, we can rewrite the second equation as following,  

$$(f \circ h)^{-1}(x) = x$$

$$h^{-1} \circ (f^{-1}(x)) = x$$

$$h \circ h^{-1} \circ (f^{-1}(x)) = h(x)$$
    6. Since  $h \circ h^{-1} = I_B$ ,  

$$f^{-1}(x) = h(x)$$
    7. By combining the results on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> lines, we can say that  

$$g(x) = f^{-1}(x) = h(x)$$

## Answer 3

## Answer 4

## Answer 5

- The definition of  $\Theta$  is, a function  $f$  is  $\Theta(g)$  if and only if there are constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  such that  $C_1g(n) \leq f(n) \leq C_2g(n)$ .
- If  $n \ln n = \Theta(k)$ , we can rewrite this as the following;  

$$C_1k \leq n \ln n \leq C_2k$$

- Since  $\ln k \neq 0$ , dividing this inequality by  $\ln k$  is possible.

$$C_1 \frac{k}{\ln k} \leq n \frac{\ln n}{\ln k} \leq C_2 \frac{k}{\ln k}$$

- By applying the limit rules,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln n}{\ln k} = 0$$

- Therefore we can keep  $C_1$  as the lower bound to show that  $n = \Theta(\frac{k}{\ln k})$ .

- By using  $C_1 k \leq n \ln n \leq C_2 k$  again, we can say that

$$C_1 k \leq n \ln n < n^2 \text{ for any large } n.$$

- By taking the natural logarithm of each side,

$$\ln C_1 + \ln k < 2 \ln n$$

- By rearranging the inequality,

$$\frac{\ln k}{\ln n} < 2 - \frac{\ln C_1}{\ln n} < 2 \text{ for any large } n$$

- If we rewrite  $n$  and use the equations that we derived above, we can get

$$n = n \frac{\ln k \ln n}{\ln n \ln k} < 2C_2 \frac{k}{\ln k}$$

- Finally, by combining our calculations, we can say that,

$$C_1 \frac{k}{\ln k} \leq n \leq 2C_2 \frac{k}{\ln k} \text{ for large } k \text{ values.}$$

- By the definition of  $\Theta$ , we can conclude that  $n = \Theta(\frac{k}{\ln k})$

## Answer 6

a) Show that 6 and 28 are perfect.

- The set of positive divisors of 6 are  $\{1, 2, 3, 6\}$ . The sum of all its positive divisors excluding itself is  $1 + 2 + 3 = 6$ , thus making it a perfect number.
- The set of positive divisors of 28 are  $\{1, 2, 4, 7, 14, 28\}$ . The sum of all its positive divisors excluding itself is  $1 + 2 + 4 + 7 + 14 = 28$ , thus making it a perfect number.

b) Show that  $2^{p-1}(2^p - 1)$  is a perfect number when  $2^p - 1$  is prime.

- Since  $2^p - 1$  is prime, the prime divisors of  $2^{p-1}(2^p - 1)$  would be only 2 and  $2^p - 1$ . By using this information, we can denote the set of all positive divisors of  $2^{p-1}(2^p - 1)$  as  $\{1, 2, \dots, 2^{p-1}, 1 * (2^p - 1), 2 * (2^p - 1), \dots, 2^{p-1} * (2^p - 1)\}$

- To sum all the positive divisors, we can write the following;

$$\sum_{n=0}^{p-1} 2^n + (2^p - 1) \sum_{n=0}^{p-1} 2^n$$

- Since the summation operator has associativity, we can rearrange the equation as;

$$= (2^p) * \sum_{n=0}^{p-1} 2^n$$

- By using the formula

$$= \sum_{n=0}^x 2^n = 2^{x+1} - 1$$

- We can rearrange the equation;

$$= (2^p) * \sum_{n=0}^{p-1} 2^n = (2^p) * (2^p - 1)$$

- Since this summation includes all positive divisors, we need to subtract the actual number from it.

$$(2^p) * (2^p - 1) - (2^{p-1}) * (2^p - 1) = (2^{p-1}) * (2^p - 1)$$

- Therefore, from this formula, we can see that the sum of all positive divisors excluding the number itself is equal to the number if and only if  $2^p - 1$  is prime and the number is  $2^{p-1}(2^p - 1)$ .

## Answer 7

a) Given  $x \equiv c_1 \pmod{m}$  and  $x \equiv c_2 \pmod{n}$  where  $c_1, c_2, m, n$  are integers with  $m > 0, n > 0$  show that the solution  $x$  exists if and only if  $\gcd(m, n) | c_1 - c_2$ .

- Let us say that the system has a solution  $x$ .
- We can say that  $t = \gcd(m, n)$  exists.
- By using the properties of the modulo, we can say that  $x - c_1 = m.\alpha$ , which is also a multiple of  $t$ .
- Similarly, for the second statement, we can say that  $x - c_2 = n.\beta$ , which is again a multiple of  $t$ .
- Therefore,  $c_1 - c_2 = (x - c_2) - (x - c_1)$  is also a multiple of  $t$ .
- Thus,  $t | (c_1 - c_2)$ , which is  $\gcd(m, n) | c_1 - c_2$ .