

## Homework 3

p63 D.1, p64 E.5 and E.6, p65 G.1 and G.2, p75 A.1, A.2, and A.5, p76 B.2

1. **p63 D.1.** Find the composite function,  $f \circ g$  and  $g \circ f$ :

$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  $f(x) = \sin(x)$

$g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  $g(x) = e^x$

**Solution.** Let  $f, g$  be defined as above, and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  be any value.

$f \circ g$

$$\begin{aligned} f \circ g(x) &= f(g(x)) \\ &= f(e^x) \\ &= \sin(e^x) \end{aligned}$$

$g \circ f$

$$\begin{aligned} g \circ f(x) &= g(f(x)) \\ &= g(\sin(x)) \\ &= e^{\sin(x)} \end{aligned}$$

2. **p64 E.5.**  $f$  is a bijective function. Describe its inverse.

$A = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is given by:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Solution.** The inverse matrix  $f^{-1} : B \rightarrow A$  is defined as:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ b & c & a & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Since this matrix satisfies the property  $\forall x \in B, f \circ f^{-1}(x) = x$ , we can verify that it is the correct inverse of  $f$ .

3. **p64 E.6.**  $f$  is a bijective function. Describe its inverse.

$G$  is a group,  $a \in G$ , and  $f : G \rightarrow G$  is defined by  $f(x) = ax$ .

**Solution.** The inverse  $f^{-1} : G \rightarrow G$  is defined as:

$$f^{-1}(x) = a^{-1}x$$

where  $a^{-1} \in G$  such that  $a^{-1}a = aa^{-1} = e$ .

This can be verified by the composition:  $\forall x \in G, f \circ f^{-1}(x) = x$

$$\begin{aligned} f \circ f^{-1}(x) &= f(f^{-1}(x)) \\ &= f(a^{-1}x) \\ &= aa^{-1}x \\ &= ex \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

□

4. **p65 G.1.** Let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be sets and let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$  be functions. Prove that if  $g \circ f$  is injective, then  $f$  is injective.

**Solution.** Let  $f, g$  be defined as above.

*Proof.* Assume, for the sake of contradiction, that  $f$  is not injective.

Given that  $f$  is not injective, this implies there exists some  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in A$  and  $\beta \in B$  such that  $f(\alpha_1) = f(\alpha_2) = \beta$ .

However, since the composition  $g \circ f$  is given to be injective, we know for any  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in A$  that  $g \circ f(\alpha_1) \neq g \circ f(\alpha_2)$ .

Since  $f(\alpha_1) = f(\alpha_2) = \beta$ , this implies a contradiction that  $g \circ f(\alpha_1) \neq g \circ f(\alpha_2)$ , therefore  $f$  must be injective.  $\square$

5. **p65 G.2.** Let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be sets and let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$  be functions. Prove that if  $g \circ f$  is surjective, then  $g$  is surjective.

**Solution.** Let  $f, g$  be defined as above.

*Proof.* Assume, for the sake of contradiction, that  $g$  is not surjective.

Given that  $g$  is not surjective, this implies there exists some  $\zeta \in C$  such that  $g(\beta) \neq \zeta$  for any  $\beta \in B$ .

Because  $g \circ f$  is surjective, we know for all  $\zeta \in C$ ,  $\exists \alpha \in A$  such that  $g \circ f(\alpha) = \zeta$ .

Unfolding this statement, it implies  $\exists \beta \in B, \alpha \in A$  such that  $g(f(\alpha)) = g(\beta) = \zeta$ , which is a contradiction to our original assumption. Therefore  $g$  must be surjective.  $\square$

6. **p75 A.1.** Consider the following permutations  $f$ ,  $g$ , and  $h$  in  $S_6$

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 6 & 1 & 3 & 5 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 6 & 5 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 6 & 4 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Solution.** Compute the following:

$$f^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ - & - & - & - & - & - \end{pmatrix} \quad g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ - & - & - & - & - & - \end{pmatrix}$$

$$h^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ - & - & - & - & - & - \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f \circ g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ - & - & - & - & - & - \end{pmatrix} \quad g \circ f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ - & - & - & - & - & - \end{pmatrix}$$

7. **p75 A.2.** Given p75 A.1, compute the following:

$$f \circ (g \circ h) =$$

**Solution.**

$$g \circ h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ - & - & - & - & - & - \end{pmatrix}$$

8. **p75 A.5.** Given p75 A.1, compute the following:

$$g \circ g \circ g =$$

**Solution.**

$$g \circ g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ - & - & - & - & - & - \end{pmatrix}$$

9. **p76 B.2.** List the elements of the cyclic subgroup of  $S_6$  generated by:

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Solution.**