

1. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be finite sets, and let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function. Show that
  - a. if  $f$  is injective, then  $|A| \leq |B|$ .
  - b. if  $f$  is surjective, then  $|A| \geq |B|$ .

If  $f$  is injective, then each element of the domain maps to a unique element in the codomain. In other words, if  $(a, b) \in f$ , then we know there is no other  $a' \in A$  where  $a \neq a'$  such that  $(a', b) \in f$ . The function  $f$  pairs each element of  $A$  with exactly one element of  $B$ . Hence, we conclude that  $|A| \leq |B|$ .

If  $f$  is surjective, then the range of  $f$  is equal to its codomain. In other words, for every  $b \in B$ , we can find at least one  $a \in A$  such that  $(a, b) \in f$ . The function  $f$  pairs each element of  $B$  with at least one element in  $A$ . Hence, we conclude that  $|A| \geq |B|$ .

2. Is the function  $f(x) = x + 1$  bijective when the domain and the codomain are  $\mathbb{N}$ ? Is it bijective when the domain and the codomain are  $\mathbb{Z}$ ?

$f$  is not bijective when the domain and codomain are  $\mathbb{N}$ . In this case,  $f$  is injective, since  $a \neq a' \Rightarrow f(a) \neq f(a')$ , but  $f$  is not surjective. Specifically, as  $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ , there is no  $a \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $f(a) = 0$ .

$f$  is bijective when the domain and codomain are  $\mathbb{Z}$ . In this case,  $f$  is injective, since  $a \neq a' \Rightarrow f(a) \neq f(a')$ , and  $f$  is also surjective. Specifically  $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ , so if we are given an arbitrary  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we can always choose  $a = b - 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $(a, b) = (b - 1, b) \in f$ .

3. Give a natural definition for the inverse of a binary relation such that if a relation is in fact a bijective function, its relational inverse is its functional inverse.

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4. Give a bijection from  $\mathbb{Z}$  to  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ .

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