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FUNCTIONS. (138)

Blanket assumption: A, B are nonempty sets.

1.1. A function $f : A \rightarrow B$ (also called mappings or transformations) is an assignment of exactly one element of B to each element of A .

1.2. The domain of a function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is A , the codomain is B .

If $f(a) = b$, we say b is an image of a and a is a preimage of b .

The range of $f : A \rightarrow B$ is the set of all images of elements of A .

1.3. Let $f : A \rightarrow B$, let $C \subseteq A$, and let $D \subseteq B$.

The (full) image of C is under A .

The (full) pre-image of D is under f .

Q1. Let $f : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ be the function $f(x) = x^2$. What is the full pre-image of the set \mathbb{N} and why?

$\mathbb{N} := \mathbb{N}$ here i.e. we are looking for elements $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $x^2 \in \mathbb{N}$

ARITHMETIC FOR REAL-VALUED FUNCTIONS.

1.4. Let $f_1, f_2 : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then $f_1 + f_2$ and $f_1 f_2$ are defined by

$$(f_1 + f_2) \rightarrow (f_1) + (f_2)$$

$$(f_1 \cdot f_2) \rightarrow (f_1) \cdot (f_2)$$

Q2. Let $f_1, f_2 : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the functions $f_1(x) = x^2 - 1$, $f_2(x) = x + 1$. Write down formulas for the functions $f_1 + f_2$ and $f_1 f_2$.

$$f_1 + f_2 = x^2 - 1 + x + 1 = \boxed{x^2 + x} \quad f_1 f_2 = (x^2 - 1)(x + 1)$$

PROPERTIES OF FUNCTIONS. (141)

1.5. A function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is called **one-to-one**, or **injection**, if and only if $f(a) = f(b)$ implies that $a = b$ for all a and b in the domain of f .

1.6. A function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is called **onto**, or **surjection**, if and only if for every element $b \in B$ there is an element $a \in A$ with $f(a) = b$.

1.7. If a function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is both one-to-one and onto, it is called **bijection**.

1.8. A function $f : A \rightarrow B$ is **invertible** means it has an **inverse** function $f^{-1} : B \rightarrow A$. A function is invertible if and only if it is a **one-to-one correspondence**.

1.9. Let $f : A \rightarrow B$, $g : B \rightarrow C$. The composition $g \circ f : A \rightarrow C$ is defined by:

$$g(f(x))$$

Q3. What are the functions $f_1 \circ f_2$ and $f_2 \circ f_1$ for the functions f_1 and f_2 from Q2?

$$f_1 \circ f_2 = (x+1)^2 - 1 \quad f_2 \circ f_1 = (x^2 - 1) + 1$$

CARDINALITY OF SETS. (170)

2.1. Two sets A and B (written $|A| = |B|$) have the same cardinality if there is a **one-to-one correspondence** from A to B .

2.2. A set is called **countable** if it is **finite** or has the same cardinality as the set of positive ints. If a set is not countable, it is called **uncountable**.

Q4. Underline all of the following sets that are countable:

$$\underline{2\mathbb{N} - 1 (= \{1, 3, 5, \dots\})}, \quad \mathbb{Z}, \quad \mathbb{Q}, \quad \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathbb{C}, \quad [-1, 1].$$

Q5. Prove that the set of all finite subsets of \mathbb{N} is countable.

lets suppose that subset of \mathbb{N} (s_i , where i represents the # of elements in the subset)

s_0 is an empty set

s_1 is countable

s_2 is countable

} through this we can prove that all finite subsets of \mathbb{N} are countable