

# CMSC 27100 - Problem Set 2

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- injective but not surjective:  $f : \mathbb{Z} \mapsto \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $f(x) = 2x$
- surjective but not injective:  $f : \mathbb{Z} \mapsto \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $f(x) = x^3 - x$

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We must show that if  $f$  is a bijection, then  $f^{-1}$  exists, and that if  $f^{-1}$  exists, then  $f$  is a bijection.

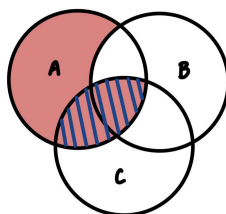
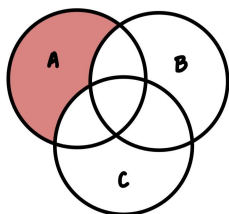
- Starting with the former, assume  $f$  is a bijection. This means that for any  $y \in B$ , there exists  $x \in A$  such that  $f(x) = y$  (because  $f$  is surjective) and  $x$  is unique (because  $f$  is injective), allowing us to define  $g : B \mapsto A$  such that  $g(y) = x$ . Given this, we know that for all  $x \in A$ ,  $g(f(x)) = g(y) = x$  and for all  $y \in B$ ,  $f(g(y)) = f(x) = y$ . Thus, we have shown that if  $f$  is a bijection, then  $g = f^{-1}$  exists.
- For the latter, assume  $f^{-1}$  exists. Defining  $g : B \mapsto A$  as  $g = f^{-1}$  we know that for all  $x \in A$ ,  $g(f(x)) = x$  and for all  $y \in B$ ,  $f(g(y)) = y$ . Assume  $x_1 \in A$  and  $x_2 \in A$ . If  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$  where  $f(x_1) = y$  and  $f(x_2) = y$ , we know that  $g(f(x_1)) = x_1$  and  $g(f(x_2)) = x_2$ , so  $g(y) = x_1$  and  $g(y) = x_2$ . Since  $g$  is a well-defined function, each element  $y \in B$  can only be mapped to a single element  $x \in A$ , so  $x_1 = x_2$ . Thus,  $f$  is injective. For all  $y \in B$ , we know there exists  $x \in A$  such that  $g(y) = x$ , and since  $g = f^{-1}$ , then  $f(g(y)) = f(x) = y$ . Thus,  $f$  is surjective. Since  $f$  is both injective and surjective, it is bijective.

We have shown that if  $f$  is a bijection, then  $f^{-1}$  exists, and that if  $f^{-1}$  exists, then  $f$  is a bijection. This means that a function has an inverse if and only if it is a bijection.

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$$(A \setminus B) \setminus C = A^c \cap B^c \cap C^c$$

$$A \setminus (B \setminus C) = A \cap (B \cap C)^c$$



$$A \cap C = \emptyset$$

The venn diagram shows that with no restrictions for  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ ,  $(A \setminus B) \setminus C \neq A \setminus (B \setminus C)$ , unless  $A \cap C = \emptyset$ . We can formalize this proof as follows:

$(A \setminus B) \setminus C$  is equivalent to  $(A \cap B^C) \cap C^C$ , which is the same as  $A \cap B^C \cap C^C$ .

$A \setminus (B \setminus C)$  is equivalent to  $A \cap (B \cap C^C)^C$ , which is the same as  $A \cap (B^C \cup C)$ . Distributing the  $\cap$ , we get  $(A \cap B^C) \cup (A \cap C)$ . We can rewrite this as  $((A \cap B^C) \cap C) \cup ((A \cap B^C) \cap C^C) \cup ((A \cap C) \cap B) \cup ((A \cap C) \cap B^C)$ . This is equivalent to  $(A \cap B^C \cap C) \cup (A \cap B^C \cap C^C) \cup (A \cap B \cap C) \cup (A \cap B^C \cap C)$ , which can be simplified to and rewritten as  $(A \cap B^C \cap C^C) \cup (A \cap (B^C \cap C)) \cup ((A \cap (B \cap C)))$ . This is equivalent to  $(A \cap B^C \cap C^C) \cup (A \cap ((B^C \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)))$ . This simplifies to  $(A \cap B^C \cap C^C) \cup (A \cap C)$ .

For  $A \cap B^C \cap C^C = (A \cap B^C \cap C^C) \cup (A \cap C)$ ,  $A \cap C = \emptyset$ . Thus,  $\boxed{A \cap C = \emptyset}$  is a necessary and sufficient condition for  $(A \setminus B) \setminus C = A \setminus (B \setminus C)$  to hold.

## 4

$$\text{GCD}(84, 63) = \text{GCD}(63, 84 \bmod 63) = \text{GCD}(63, 21) = \text{GCD}(21, 63 \bmod 21) = \text{GCD}(21, 0) = \boxed{21}$$

## 5

Let  $x = 20$ ,  $y = 5$ , and  $z = 8$ . Then,  $x \mid (y \cdot z)$  is true because  $20 \mid (5 \cdot 8)$  or  $20 \mid 40$ . However,  $x \mid y \vee x \mid z$  is false because  $20 \mid 5 \vee 20 \mid 8$  is false. Therefore, the statement  $x \mid (y \cdot z) \Rightarrow x \mid y \vee x \mid z$  is  $\boxed{\text{false}}$ .

## 6

We need to prove that for all integers  $a, b$ , if  $3a - 5b = 31$ , then  $\text{GCD}(a, b) \neq 17$ . We can prove this by proving the contrapositive. Assume  $\text{GCD}(a, b) = 17$ . By definition,  $17 \mid a$  and  $17 \mid b$ , so there exists integers  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  such that  $17 \cdot d_1 = a$  and  $17 \cdot d_2 = b$ . Substituting  $a$  and  $b$  into  $3a - 5b = 31$ , we get that  $3(17 \cdot d_1) - 5(17 \cdot d_2) = 31$ , which we can rewrite as  $17(3d_1 - 5d_2) = 31$ . We defined  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  as divisors, so  $3d_1 - 5d_2$  must be an integer, which implies  $17 \mid 31$ , which is false, so  $3a - 5b = 31$  is false. Thus, we have proven the contrapositive true, and so for all integers  $a, b$ , if  $3a - 5b = 31$ , then  $\text{GCD}(a, b) \neq 17$  is  $\boxed{\text{true}}$ .