

# TD n°1

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An isomorphism  $f : A \rightarrow B$  such that there exists  $g : B \rightarrow A$  such that  $g \circ f = Id_A$  and  $f \circ g = Id_B$ .

1. Show that  $g$  is unique
2. Show that in the following situation

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & B & \\
 f \nearrow & & \searrow g \\
 A & \xrightarrow{g \circ f} & C
 \end{array}
 \quad (*) \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 g \circ f \text{ is a isomorphism when} \\
 g \text{ and } f \text{ are isomorphism}
 \end{array}$$

3. deduce in  $(*)$  that  $g$  is an isomorphism when  $f$  and  $g \circ f$  are isomorphism
4. deduce in  $(*)$  that  $f$  is an isomorphism when  $g$  and  $g \circ f$  are isomorphism
5. Suppose that in  $A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{g} A \xrightarrow{h} B$  one has  $g \circ f = Id_A$  and  $h \circ g = Id_B$  show that  $f = h$  in that case
6. Characterize the isomorphisms in the category **Set** of sets and function. **Top** of topological spaces and continuous functions

**Correction :**

1. Let  $h : B \rightarrow A$  a morphism that  $h \circ f = Id_A$  and  $f \circ h = Id_B$

$$\begin{aligned} h &= h \circ Id_B && \text{By neutrality} \\ &= h \circ (f \circ g) \\ &= (h \circ f) \circ g && \text{By associativity} \\ &= Id_A \circ g \\ &= g && \text{By neutrality} \end{aligned}$$

We can say that  $g$  is unique. We will make note  $f^{-1}$

2. We have  $f^{-1}$  and  $g^{-1}$  the inverse of  $f$  and  $g$  (they are isomorphism)

We will show that  $f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$  is an inverse of  $g \circ f$

$$\begin{aligned} (f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}) \circ (g \circ f) &= f^{-1} \circ (g^{-1} \circ g) \circ f && \text{By associativity} \\ &= f^{-1} \circ f \\ &= Id_A \end{aligned}$$

A similar reasoning can be used to show  $(g \circ f) \circ (f^{-1} \circ g^{-1})$

3. Let  $g' = f \circ (g \circ f)^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} g \circ g' &= g \circ (f \circ (g \circ f)^{-1}) && g' \circ g = (f \circ (g \circ f)^{-1}) \circ g \\ &= (g \circ f) \circ (g \circ f)^{-1} && = f \circ (g \circ f)^{-1} \circ g \circ f \circ f^{-1} \\ &= Id_C && = f \circ (g \circ f)^{-1} \circ (g \circ f) \circ f^{-1} \\ &&& = f \circ f^{-1} \\ &&& = Id_B \end{aligned}$$

$g$  is well an isomorphism.

4. Roughly the same proof.

5. We have :

$$\begin{aligned} f &= (h \circ g) \circ f && h \circ g = Id_B \\ &= h \circ (g \circ f) && \text{By associativity} \\ &= h && g \circ f = Id_A \end{aligned}$$

This question implies the first question.

6. Homomorphism (= A map between two structures, that preserves the operations of the structures  
 $f(x \bullet y) = f(x) \bullet f(y)$ )