

## Math 2155, Fall 2022: Homework 10

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- Homework is graded both on **correctness** and on **presentation/style**.
- Your proofs should be written in **complete sentences**, starting with capitals and ending with periods. They should be in **paragraph form**, similar to the proofs in the textbook. For example, you shouldn't put each sentence on a new line. Paragraphs should be used to break longer proofs into logical chunks.
- Don't use informal abbreviations such as three dots for "therefore." Logical symbols can be used when they clarify things to the reader, but English words can often be more effective.
- Include all of the steps that are needed to logically justify every claim you make. Do not include unnecessary steps. Try to be **concise and complete**.
- Do not submit any **rough work**. Do your rough work on scratch paper, and only submit a clearly and neatly written answer. Do not show a table of givens and goals. Do not use Venn diagrams.
- Do not cross out or erase more than a word or two. If you write each final solution on a new page, it's easy to start over on a fresh page when you've made a large error.
- You should do the work **on your own**. Read the course syllabus for the rules about scholastic offences, which include sharing solutions with others, uploading material to a website, viewing material of others or on a website (even if you don't use it), etc. The penalty for cheating on homework will be a grade of **0** on the homework set as well as a penalty of **negative 5%** on the overall course grade.
- We may not grade every question.

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Due **Saturday, December 3 at 11:59pm**. Last one!

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**H10Q1** (6 marks): Consider the function  $f$  with domain  $A = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{1\}$  defined by  $f(x) = \frac{5x}{x-1}$ . Find a set  $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is one-to-one and onto. Prove that it is one-to-one and onto and find  $f^{-1} : B \rightarrow A$ .

Hint: you might find it easiest to use Theorems 5.3.4 and 5.3.5 from the text, like the solution of Exercise 3 from Section 5.3 at the back of the book.

**Solution:** First observe that there does not exist an  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{1\}$  such that  $f(x) = 5$ . For if  $\frac{5x}{x-1} = 5$ , then  $5x = 5x - 5$ , which is impossible. So letting  $B = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{5\}$ , we have shown that  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a well-defined function.

Consider the function  $g : B \rightarrow A$  defined by  $g(y) = \frac{y}{y-5}$ . Since  $5 \notin B$ ,  $g(y)$  is a well-defined real number for  $y \in B$ . Note that  $g$  does not take on the value 1, since if  $\frac{y}{y-5} = 1$ , then  $y = y - 5$ , which is impossible. So  $g(y) \in A$  for  $y \in B$ .

We first show that  $g \circ f = i_A$ . Let  $x \in A$ . Then

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = g\left(\frac{5x}{x-1}\right) = \frac{\frac{5x}{x-1}}{\frac{5x}{x-1} - 5} = \frac{5x}{5x - 5(x-1)} = \frac{5x}{5} = x.$$

So  $g \circ f = i_A$ .

Next we show that  $f \circ g = i_B$ . Let  $y \in B$ . Then

$$f(g(y)) = f\left(\frac{y}{y-5}\right) = \frac{5\frac{y}{y-5}}{\frac{y}{y-5} - 1} = \frac{5y}{y - (y-5)} = \frac{5y}{5} = y.$$

So  $f \circ g = i_B$ .

By Theorem 5.3.4,  $f$  is one-to-one and onto. By Theorem 5.3.5,  $f^{-1} = g$ . So  $f^{-1}(y) = \frac{y}{y-5}$ . □

Note: We did not explain where the formula for  $g$  came from. It was done in rough work. We also didn't explain how we guessed that  $B = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{5\}$  is the right set. But note that we needed to prove that  $f$  and  $g$  were well-defined functions between those sets.

Note: This question can also be done without using those theorems. One can prove that  $f$  is one-to-one and onto, and then prove a formula for the inverse.

**H10Q2** (4 marks): Suppose that  $g : A \rightarrow B$  and  $h : B \rightarrow C$ . Prove that if  $h$  is not one-to-one and  $g$  is onto, then  $h \circ g$  is not one-to-one.

**Solution:** Suppose that  $h$  is not one-to-one and  $g$  is onto. Since  $h$  is not one-to-one, there exist  $b_1, b_2 \in B$  with  $b_1 \neq b_2$  and  $h(b_1) = h(b_2)$ . Since  $g$  is onto, there exist  $a_1, a_2 \in A$  with  $g(a_1) = b_1$  and  $g(a_2) = b_2$ . If  $a_1 = a_2$ , then  $b_1 = g(a_1) = g(a_2) = b_2$ , a contradiction, so we must have  $a_1 \neq a_2$ . We also have that  $(h \circ g)(a_1) = h(g(a_1)) = h(b_1) = h(b_2) = h(g(a_2)) = (h \circ g)(a_2)$ . This shows that  $h \circ g$  is not one-to-one.  $\square$

This question was not graded.

**H10Q3** (4 marks): Prove that for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$0 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 4 + 2 \cdot 5 + \cdots + n(n+3) = \frac{n(n+1)(n+5)}{3}.$$

**Solution:** We prove this by induction on  $n$ .

**Base case:**  $n = 0$ : Then the left-hand-side is  $0 \cdot 3 = 0$  and the right-hand-side is  $\frac{0(1)(5)}{3} = 0$ , so the statement is true.

**Induction step:** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and assume that

$$0 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 4 + 2 \cdot 5 + \cdots + n(n+3) = \frac{n(n+1)(n+5)}{3}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 4 + \cdots + n(n+3) + (n+1)(n+4) &= \frac{n(n+1)(n+5)}{3} + (n+1)(n+4) \quad (\text{by inductive hyp.}) \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(n+5) + 3(n+1)(n+4)}{3} \\ &= \frac{(n+1)(n^2 + 5n + 3n + 12)}{3} \\ &= \frac{(n+1)(n+2)(n+6)}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

So the formula holds with  $n$  replaced by  $n+1$ , as required.  $\square$

**H10Q4** (6 marks): Find the smallest natural number  $m$  such that for all natural numbers  $n \geq m$ ,  $n! > n^2 + 2$ . Prove that your  $m$  works and that no smaller  $m$  works.

**Solution:** When  $n = 3$ , we have  $n! = 3! = 6$  and  $n^2 + 2 = 3^2 + 2 = 11$ , so the statement is false. So we must have  $m \geq 4$ . We claim that  $m = 4$  works.

We prove by induction on  $n$  that for all  $n \geq 4$ ,  $n! > n^2 + 2$ .

**Base case:**  $n = 4$ : Then  $n! = 4! = 24$  and  $n^2 + 2 = 4^2 + 2 = 18$ . Since  $24 > 18$ , the statement is true.

**Induction step:** Let  $n \geq 4$  and assume that  $n! > n^2 + 2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}(n+1)! &= (n+1)n! \\ &> (n+1)(n^2 + 2) && \text{(by inductive hypothesis)} \\ &= n^3 + n^2 + 2n + 2 \\ &\geq 1 + n^2 + 2n + 2 && \text{(since } n \geq 4\text{)} \\ &= (n+1)^2 + 2\end{aligned}$$

So we have proved the inequality with  $n$  replaced by  $n+1$ , as required.  $\square$

Note: There are a variety of ways to organize the algebra and inequalities here. However you do it, it is important to mention where you use the inductive hypothesis and the assumption that  $n \geq 4$ .