

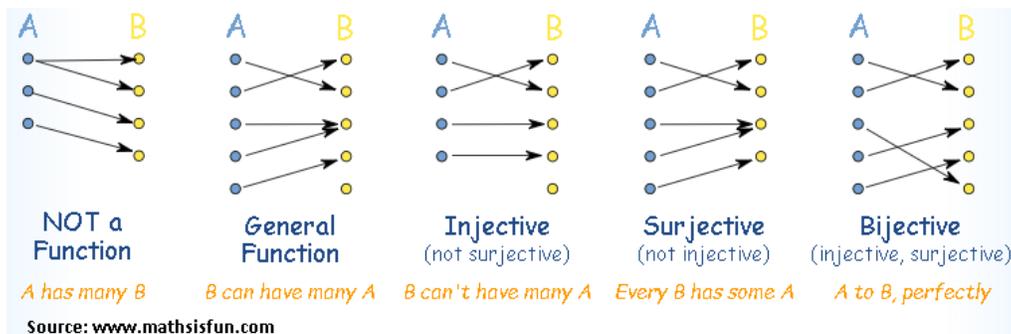
Mathematics 1 A Fall 2019
Second Practice

1. Consider the function equation $f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 1$.
- (a) Determine the maximal domain for this equation, that is, the maximal subset $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ such that
- $$f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad x \mapsto f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 1$$
- is a well-defined function.
- (b) Determine the image $I_f = f(D)$ of f .
- (c) Determine whether f is injective, surjective, bijective and/or invertible.
- (d) Let $A = \{0, 11, 101\}$. Determine the image $I_{f|_A} = f(A)$ of the restriction $f|_A : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad x \mapsto f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 1$.
- (e) If f is not injective, determine a suitable subset $E \subseteq D$ such that the restriction $f|_E : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad x \mapsto f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 1$ is injective. Note that then $f|_E : E \rightarrow I_{f|_E} = f(E)$ is invertible.
- (f) Determine the inverse function $(f|_E)^{(-1)}$ of $f|_E : E \rightarrow f(E)$ (including its domain).

Solution:

Remark: Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. For $x \in \mathbb{R}$, we call $y = f(x) \in \mathbb{R}$ the *image* of x (under f). For $y \in \mathbb{R}$, we call each $x \in \mathbb{R}$ with $f(x) = y$ a *preimage* of x (under f). Then:

- f is injective, if and only if, every $y \in \mathbb{R}$ has at most one preimage under f .
- f is surjective, if and only if, every $y \in \mathbb{R}$ has at least one preimage under f .
- f is bijective, if and only if, every $y \in \mathbb{R}$ has exactly one preimage under f .



1. (a) $f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 1$ is well-defined (in \mathbb{R}) for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$, so $D = \mathbb{R}$
- (b) For every $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x^2 - 2x + 1 = (x - 1)^2 \geq 0$, so $y = f(x) = (x - 1)^2 - 2 \geq -2$, thus $I_f = [-2, +\infty)$.

(c) For $x_1 = 0, x_2 = 2$,

$$f(x_1) = -1 = 2^2 - 2 \cdot 2 - 1 = f(x_2)$$

or in more general for $x_1 = a, x_2 = 2 - a$,

$$f(x_1) = (a - 1)^2 - 2 = (1 - a)^2 - 2 = f(x_2)$$

so $\exists x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}, x_1 \neq x_2 : f(x_1) = f(x_2)$, thus f is not injective.

f is not surjective as it has not any preimage for every $y \in \mathbb{R}$

Since it is both not injective and not surjective, f is not bijective whence it is not invertible in \mathbb{R} .

(d) $f(0) = -1, f(11) = (11 - 1)^2 - 2 = 98, f(101) = (101 - 1)^2 - 2 = 9998$, so $I_{f|A} = f(A) = \{-1, 98, 9998\}$

(e) $y = -2$ has exactly one preimage 1 ($f(1) = -2$). Each $y > -2$ has two possible preimages: $x = \sqrt{y+2} + 1 > 0$ and $x = -\sqrt{y+2} + 1 < 0$, so we have to choose one of those preimages in every case and “throw out” the other. For example, we can choose the preimages $x = \sqrt{y+2} + 1$ for which $E = [1, +\infty)$.

Then $f|_E : [1, +\infty) \rightarrow [-2, +\infty)$ is bijective and therefore invertible.

(Alternatively, we could also choose the other preimages $x = -\sqrt{y+2} + 1$ for which $E = (-\infty, 1]$ Then $f|_E : (-\infty, 1] \rightarrow [-2, +\infty)$ is bijective and therefore invertible.)

(f) The inverse $(f|_E)^{-1} : [-2, +\infty) \rightarrow [1, +\infty)$ must map each $y \in [-2, +\infty)$ to its (unique) preimage, so we need to solve $y = f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 1$ for $x \in E = [1, +\infty)$:

$$\begin{aligned} y &= f(x) = (x - 1)^2 - 2 \\ y + 2 &= (x - 1)^2 \\ x &= \pm\sqrt{y + 2} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Since we assume $x \in E = [1, +\infty)$, we get $x = \sqrt{y + 2} + 1$, so the inverse function is

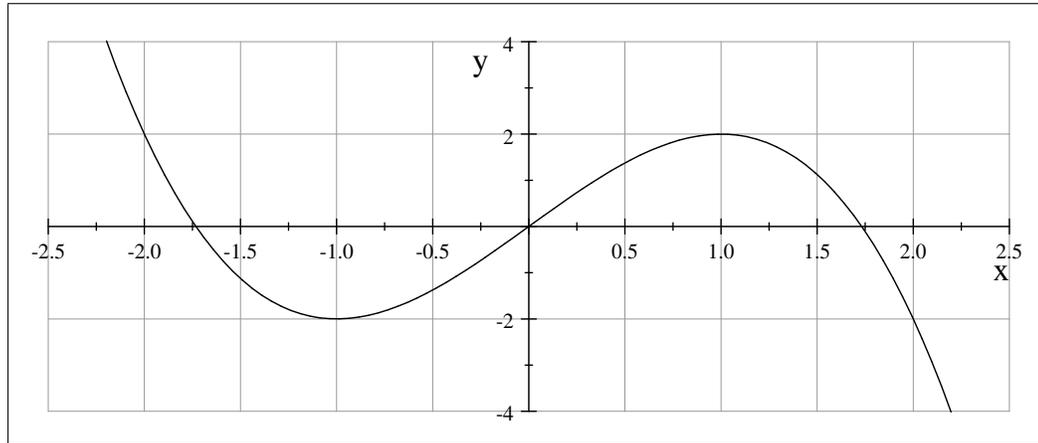
$$(f|_E)^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{x + 2} + 1$$

and its domain is $[-2, +\infty)$ and codomain is $[1, +\infty)$

$$(f|_E)^{-1} : [-2, +\infty) \rightarrow [1, +\infty), x \mapsto \sqrt{x + 2} + 1$$

2. Solution of the problem 1 using the following functions instead of $f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 1$:

f(x)	D	I_f	inj.	surj.	bij.	f({0, 11, 101})	E	(f _E)⁽⁻¹⁾(x)
$2x-8$	\mathbb{R}	\mathbb{R}	✓	✓	✓	{-8, 14, 198}	\mathbb{R}	$\frac{x+8}{2}$
$\sqrt[4]{x}$	\mathbb{R}^+	\mathbb{R}^+	✓	X	X	{0, $\sqrt[4]{11}$, $\sqrt[4]{101}$ }	\mathbb{R}^+	x^4
$\frac{1}{x^2-2x+1}$	$\mathbb{R} \setminus \{1\}$	$\mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \{0\}$	X	X	X	{0, 1/100, 1/10000}	(1, +∞) or (-∞, 1)	1/√x+1 or -1/√x+1
$x^2 - 1$	\mathbb{R}	$[-1, +\infty)$	X	X	X	{-1, 120, 10200}	\mathbb{R}^+ or \mathbb{R}^-	√x+1 or -√x+1
$-x^3 + 3x$	\mathbb{R}	\mathbb{R}	X	✓	X	{0, -1298, -1029998}	(-∞, -2) ∪ (1, +∞) or (-∞, -1) ∪ (2, +∞)	



$$f(x) = -x^3 + 3x$$

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3. Line L_1 passes from the points $A=(1,3)$ and $B=(3,7)$, line L_2 passes from the points $C=(2,1)$ and $D=(-2,3)$.

- (a) Find the ratio of the distances $\frac{d(A,B)}{d(C,D)}$

Solution:

$$\frac{d(A, B)}{d(C, D)} = \frac{\sqrt{(y_B - y_A)^2 + (x_B - x_A)^2}}{\sqrt{(y_D - y_C)^2 + (x_D - x_C)^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{(7 - 3)^2 + (3 - 1)^2}}{\sqrt{(3 - 1)^2 + (-2 - 2)^2}} = 1$$

- (b) Are L_1 and L_2 parallel?

Solution: Let the slope of $L_1=m_1$ and the slope of $L_2=m_2$

$$m_1 = \frac{y_B - y_A}{x_B - x_A} = \frac{7 - 3}{3 - 1} = 2$$

$$m_2 = \frac{y_D - y_C}{x_D - x_C} = \frac{3 - 1}{-2 - 2} = -1/2$$

Since their slopes are not the same, they are not parallel.

- (c) Are L_1 and L_2 perpendicular?

Solution: Since $m_1 m_2 = -1$, L_1 and L_2 perpendicular to each other.

- (d) Do they intersect? If yes, what is their intersection point?

Solution: As they are not parallel, certainly they intersect.

We can write the lines as $y = m_i x + n_i$ linear function form where m_i being the slope and n_i is the y intercept of line i.

$$L_1: y=2x + n_1 \rightarrow \text{inserting point } (1,3) \rightarrow 3=2+n_1 \rightarrow n_1 = 1 \rightarrow L_1 : y = 2x + 1$$

$$L_2: y=\frac{-1}{2}x + n_2 \rightarrow \text{inserting point } (2,1) \rightarrow 1=-1+n_2 \rightarrow n_2 = 2 \rightarrow L_2: y = \frac{-1}{2}x + 2$$

The intersection point is the point of both of the lines.

Hence $y = 2x + 1 = \frac{-1}{2}x + 2 \rightarrow x = \frac{2}{5}$

Plugging $x = \frac{2}{5}$ in one of the functions $y = 2\frac{2}{5} + 1 = \frac{9}{5}$

So the intersection point of the lines L_1 and L_2 is $(\frac{2}{5}, \frac{9}{5})$

4. For the functions $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$ and $g(x) = \frac{x+1}{x+2}$, find the equations $f \circ f(x)$, $g \circ g(x)$, $g \circ f(x)$, and $f \circ g(x)$, and determine their corresponding domains.

Solution: $D_f = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, $D_g = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-2\}$

$$f \circ f(x) = f(f(x)) = f(x + \frac{1}{x}) = x + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x + \frac{1}{x}} = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} + \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} = \frac{x^4 + 3x^2 + 1}{x(x^2 + 1)}$$

$f(x)$ is defined for $x \neq 0$, so $f(f(x))$ is only defined if $x \neq 0$ and $f(x) \in D_f$, whence

$$f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x} \neq 0 \rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} \neq 0 \text{ since this inequality always holds:}$$

$$D_{f \circ f} = D_f \cap \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$$

$$g \circ g(x) = g(g(x)) = g\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right) = \frac{\frac{x+1}{x+2} + 1}{\frac{x+1}{x+2} + 2} = \frac{2x+3}{3x+5}$$

$g(x)$ is defined for $x \neq -2$, so $g(g(x))$ is only defined if $x \neq -2$ and $g(x) \in D_g$, whence

$$g(x) = \frac{x+1}{x+2} \neq -2 \rightarrow x+1 \neq -2x-4 \rightarrow x \neq -5/3$$

Therefore

$$D_{g \circ g} = D_g \cap \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-5/3\} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-2, -5/3\}$$

$$g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = g\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{x + \frac{1}{x} + 1}{x + \frac{1}{x} + 2} = \frac{x^2 + x + 1}{x^2 + 2x + 1}$$

$f(x)$ is defined for $x \neq 0$, so $g(f(x))$ is only defined if $x \neq 0$ and $f(x) \in D_g$, whence

$$f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x} \neq -2 \rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 2x + 1}{x} \neq 0 \rightarrow x \neq -1$$

So

$$D_{g \circ f} = D_f \cap \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1\} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1, 0\}$$

$$f \circ g(x) = f(g(x)) = f\left(\frac{x+1}{x+2}\right) = \frac{x+1}{x+2} + \frac{1}{\frac{x+1}{x+2}} = \frac{(x+1)^2 + (x+2)^2}{(x+2)(x+1)} = \frac{2x^2 + 6x + 5}{x^2 + 3x + 2}$$

$g(x)$ is defined for $x \neq -2$, so $f(g(x))$ is only defined if $x \neq -2$ and $g(x) \in D_f$, whence

$$g(x) = \frac{x+1}{x+2} \neq 0 \rightarrow x \neq -1$$

Thus

$$D_{f \circ g} = D_g \cap \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1\} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1, -2\}$$

5. Prove that the functions

$$f : \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \quad x \rightarrow f(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}$$
$$g : \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\}, \quad x \rightarrow g(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 2$$

are each other's inverses.

Note: This shows that f and g are invertible, hence we also know both are bijective. Finding an inverse function [$g(x) = f^{-1}(x)$] and proving $f \circ g(x) = g \circ f(x) = x = \mathcal{I}(x)$ (an identity function) is an alternative way of showing bijectivity.

Solution: For all $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, we have

$$f \circ g(x) = f(g(x)) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x} + 2 - 2} = x$$

Hence $f \circ g(x) = \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}}$, where \mathcal{I} is the identity function.

For all $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\}$, we have

$$g \circ f(x) = g(f(x)) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x-2}} + 2 = x$$

So $g \circ f(x) = \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\}}$. Thus, f and g are each other's inverses.

6. Given the set $A = \{0, 1, 2\}$, find the power set $\mathcal{P}(A)$, the cardinality of A and $\mathcal{P}(A)$.

Solution: The power set of A is the set whose elements are all the subsets of A . Therefore

$$\mathcal{P}(A) = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{0, 1\}, \{0, 2\}, \{1, 2\}, \{0, 1, 2\}\}$$

The cardinality of a set is the number of elements in the set. Whence, the cardinality of the set A is

$$\text{card}(A) = 3$$

The cardinality of the power set is found either by counting all the subsets of $\mathcal{P}(A)$ that is:

$$\text{card}(\mathcal{P}(A)) = 8$$

Or without using the explicit demonstration of $\mathcal{P}(A)$, its cardinality is found as:

$$\text{card}(\mathcal{P}(A)) = 2^{\text{card}(A)} = 2^3 = 8$$