

# Relation and Mapping

1. (a).

Let  $f: S \rightarrow T$  and  $g: T \rightarrow U$  be two mappings such that  $g \circ f$  is bijective. Prove that  $f$  is injective and  $g$  is surjective.

$\Rightarrow$  If possible, let  $f$  be not injective. Then  $\exists$  two distinct elements  $x_1, x_2$  in  $S$  such that  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ .

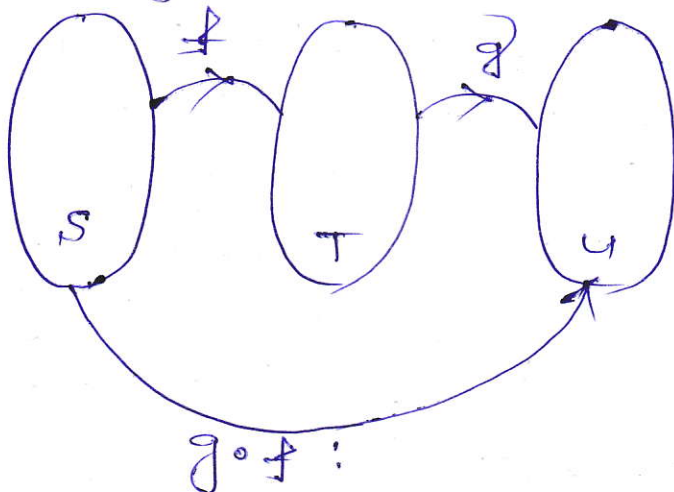
So,  $g \circ f(x_1) = g \circ f(x_2)$  and this contradicts the fact that  $g \circ f$  is injective.

$\therefore f$  is injective.

Since  $g \circ f$  is bijective,  $g \circ f$  is injective as well as  $g \circ f$  is surjective.

Let  $y$  be an element of  $U$ . Since  $g \circ f$  is surjective,  $\exists$  an element  $x$  in  $S$ , such that  $g \circ f(x) = y$ , i.e.  $g(f(x)) = y$ .

This shows that  $y$  has a pre-image  $f(x)$  in  $T$  under the mapping  $g$ . Since  $y$  is arbitrary,  $g$  is surjective.



b) Prove that any partition of a non empty set  $S$  induces an equivalence relation on  $S$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Let, there be a partition  $P$  of the set  $S$  into the subsets.

Let us define a relation  $P$  on the set  $S$  to mean that  $a P b$  holds, if  $a, b$  belong to one and the same subset of the partition  $P$ .

Let  $a \in S$ . Then  $a P a$  holds since  $a$  and  $a$  belong to one and the same subset of the partition  $P$ . Therefore  $P$  is reflexive.

Let  $a, b \in S$  and  $a P b$ . Then  $a$  and  $b$  belong to the one and the same subset of the partition  $P$  and therefore  $b$  and  $a$  belong to the same subset of  $P$ . That is  $a P b \Rightarrow b P a$ .  $\therefore P$  is symmetric.

Let  $a, b, c \in S$  and  $a P b, b P c$  both hold. Then  $a$  and  $b$  belong to the same subset, say  $S'$  of  $P$ ;  $b$  and  $c$  belong to one and the same subset  $S''$  of  $P$ .

Now  $S'$  and  $S''$  being subsets of a partition, they must be either identical or disjoint. Since  $b \in S', b \in S''$ , it follows that  $S'$  and  $S''$  are the same subset of the partition  $P$  and consequently  $a$  and  $c$  belong to the one and the same subset of  $P$ , i.e.  $a P b$  and  $b P c \Rightarrow a P c$ .

$\therefore P$  is transitive.

Thus  $P$  is an equivalent relation on  $S$ .

This completes the proof.

1.(c) Let  $S = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -1 < x < 1\}$ . Find a bijective mapping from  $\mathbb{R}$  onto  $S$ . Also find its inverse.

$\Rightarrow$  Let us consider the mapping  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow S$  defined by  $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+|x|}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Let  $x > 0$ . Then  $f(x) = \frac{x}{1+x}$  and  $0 < f(x) < 1$ .

Let  $x = 0$ . Then  $f(x) = 0$ .

Let  $x < 0$ . Then  $f(x) = \frac{x}{1-x} = \frac{1}{1-x} - 1$

and  $-1 < f(x) < 0$ .

Let  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ . Then

$$\frac{x_1}{1+|x_1|} = \frac{x_2}{1+|x_2|}$$

$\Rightarrow x_1$  and  $x_2$  are either both positive or both negative.

Let  $x_1 > 0$  and  $x_2 > 0$ .

Then  $f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow \frac{x_1}{1+x_1} = \frac{x_2}{1+x_2} \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$

Let  $x_1 < 0$  and  $x_2 < 0$

Then  $f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow \frac{x_1}{1-x_1} = \frac{x_2}{1-x_2} \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$

It follows that  $x_1 \neq x_2$  in  $\mathbb{R} \Rightarrow f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$   
so  $f$  is injective.

Let  $y$  be any element in  $S$  and let  $0 < y < 1$ .

Let us examine if  $x (> 0)$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  be a

pre-image of  $y$ . Then  $\frac{x}{1+x} = y$ .

or  $x = \frac{y}{1-y} \in \mathbb{R}$ , since  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$\therefore \frac{y}{1-y}$  is a pre-image of  $y$ .

Let  $y$  be any element in  $S$  and let  $-1 < y < 0$ .

Let us examine if  $x (< 0)$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  be a pre-

image of  $y$ . Then  $\frac{x}{1-x} = y$

on,  $x = \frac{y}{1+y} \in \mathbb{R}$ , since  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\therefore \frac{y}{1+y}$  is a pre-image of  $y$ .

Let  $y = 0 \in S$ . Then  $x = 0$  is a pre-image of  $y$ .  
It follows that each  $y$  in  $S$  has a pre-image in  $\mathbb{R}$ . so  $f$  is surjective.

since  $f$  is injective as well as surjective,  $f$  is a bijection.

since  $f$  is a bijection, each  $y$  in  $S$  has a unique pre-image.

for  $y > 0$ , the pre-image is  $\frac{y}{1-y} = \frac{y}{1-|y|}$

for  $y < 0$ , the pre-image is  $\frac{y}{1+y} = \frac{y}{1-|y|}$

for  $y = 0$ , the pre-image is  $0 = \frac{y}{1-|y|}$ .

it follows that for each  $y$  in  $S$  the pre-image is  $\frac{y}{1-|y|}$ .

Hence  $f^{-1}: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x}{1-|x|}, x \in S.$$

2.(a). Give an example to illustrate that union of two equivalence relations need not be an equivalence relations.

$\Rightarrow$  Consider two equivalence relations on  $A$  given by,  
 $R = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (2,3), (3,2)\};$   
 $P = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (3,1), (1,3)\};$

Here  $R \cup P = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (2,3), (3,2), (3,1), (1,3)\}$ , which is not an equivalence relation as it lacks transitivity indeed  $(2,3), (3,1) \in R \cup P$  but  $(2,1) \notin R \cup P$ .

2. (b). Suppose for two functions  $f$  and  $g$  such that  $g \circ f$  is surjective. Is  $f$  necessarily surjective? Justify your answer.

$\Rightarrow$  No;

For example, let  $f: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  be defined by  $f(x) = 2x$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $g: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  be defined by  $g(x) = \left[ \frac{x}{2} \right]$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  $[x]$  denotes the greatest integer  $\leq x$ . Then  $g \circ f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is defined by  $g \circ f(x) = x$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$g \circ f = id_{\mathbb{Z}}$  and is, therefore, surjective; but  $f$  is not surjective.

3. (a) Suppose  $f$  and  $g$  are two mappings such that  $g \circ f$  is defined, prove that if

i)  $g \circ f$  is injective then  $f$  is injective.

ii) If  $g \circ f$  is surjective, then  $g$  is surjective.

$\Rightarrow$  i) If possible, let  $f$  be not-injective. Then

$\exists a_1, a_2 \in A$  such that  $a_1 \neq a_2$ ; but

$f(a_1) = f(a_2) \Rightarrow g(f(a_1)) = g(f(a_2))$  as  $g$  is well defined; i.e.  $(g \circ f)(a_1) = (g \circ f)(a_2)$

which contradicts the injectivity of  $g \circ f$ .

Hence if  $g \circ f$  is injective, so must be  $f$ .

ii) Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$ .

Let  $c \in C$ . since  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow C$  is surjective; there exist some  $a \in A$  such that  $(g \circ f)(a) = c$ .

i.e.  $g(f(a)) = c \Rightarrow$  for  $c \in C$ , there exist

$f(a) \in B$  such that  $f(a)$  is a pre-image of  $c$  under  $g$ . Since  $c$  is an arbitrary element of  $C$ , we conclude that  $g$  is surjective.

4. (a). Construct an equivalence relation on the set  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$

Let us consider the relation  $R$  defined on the set  $A$  by

$$R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (2, 3), (3, 2)\}$$

now for all  $a \in A \Rightarrow (a, a) \in R$ .

$\therefore R$  is reflexive.

$$a R b \Rightarrow b R a \quad \forall a, b \in A$$

$\therefore R$  is symmetric.

$$a R b \text{ and } b R c$$

$$\Rightarrow a R c, \quad \forall a, b, c \in A.$$

$\therefore R$  is transitive.

Since  $R$  is reflexive, transitive and symmetric, then  $R$  is an equivalence relation defined on the set  $A$ .

4. (b) Show that the map  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $g(x) = x^{16}$  is neither injective nor surjective,  $\mathbb{R}$  being the set of all reals.

$\Rightarrow g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$g(x) = x^{16} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(1) = (1)^{16} = 1 \quad ; \quad g(-1) = (-1)^{16} = 1$$

$$\therefore 1 \neq -1 \quad \text{but} \quad g(1) = g(-1)$$

$\therefore g(x) = x^{16}$  is not injective.

Negative numbers in the codomain set of  $g$  has no pre-image in the domain of  $g$ .

$\therefore g(x) = x^{16}$  is not surjective.

5. a) Construct a map  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  which is not injective but surjective, and also construct a map  $g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  which is not surjective but injective. Can you construct similar maps on replacing  $\mathbb{N}$  by a finite set? Justify your answer. ( $\mathbb{N}$  being the set of all natural numbers).

$\Rightarrow f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  defined by  $f(n) = \left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor, n \in \mathbb{N}$  is surjective but not injective.

$$f(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{1+1}{2} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor 1 \right\rfloor = 1$$

$$f(2) = \left\lfloor \frac{2+1}{2} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor 1.5 \right\rfloor = 1$$

$$\therefore 1 \neq 2 \quad \text{but} \quad f(1) = f(2)$$

$\therefore f$  is not injective.

□  $g: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  be defined by  $g(n) = n+1, n \in \mathbb{N}$

Let  $n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  (domain set) and  $n_1 \neq n_2$ .

$$\text{Now, } f(n_1) - f(n_2)$$

$$= (n_1 + 1) - (n_2 + 1)$$

$$= n_1 - n_2 \neq 0 \quad [\because n_1 \neq n_2]$$

$$\therefore f(n_1) \neq f(n_2) \quad \forall n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{i.e. } n_1 \neq n_2 \Rightarrow f(n_1) \neq f(n_2)$$

$\therefore f$  is injective.

Let  $y \in \mathbb{N}$  (co domain set)

$$\text{Then } g(x) = y \Rightarrow x+1 = y$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y-1$$

$$\text{Let } y = 1 \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{Then } x = 1-1 = 0 \neq x \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\therefore$  The element 1 in the codomain set has no pre-image in domain set

Hence  $g$  is not surjective.

□ 2nd part:  $\rightarrow$  Let  $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $T = \{1, 2\}$  be two finite set and  $f: S \rightarrow T$  be a mapping defined by  $f(1) = 2, f(2) = 2, f(3) = 1$  which shows that  $f$  is not injective but surjective

Again, Let  $A = \{1, 2\}$  and  $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$  be two finite sets and  $g: A \rightarrow B$  a mapping defined as  $g(1) = 1, g(2) = 2$ , which shows that  $g$  is injective but not-surjective.

This shows that we can construct similar maps on replacing  $\mathbb{N}$  by a finite set.



5b) find the range of the function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by,

$$f(x) = \left. \begin{aligned} &x^2 + 1 \quad \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ &= 1 - x \quad \text{if } x < 0 \end{aligned} \right\},$$

$\mathbb{R}$  being the set of reals.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{Range of } f &= \{f(x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ &= \{f(x) : x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } x \geq 0\} \cup \{f(x) : x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } x < 0\} \\ &= [1, \infty) \cup [1, \infty) \\ &= [1, \infty). \end{aligned}$$

6. (a) Construct a binary relation on a set which is reflexive and symmetric but not transitive.

$\Rightarrow$  Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

Let  $R$  be a binary relation defined on the set  $A$  by,

$$R = \{(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (1,2), (2,1), (2,3), (3,2)\}.$$

Here  $a R a$  holds,  $\forall a \in A$

$\therefore R$  is reflexive.

$$a R b \Rightarrow b R a \quad \forall a, b \in A$$

$\therefore R$  is symmetric.

but  $(1,2) \in R$  and  $(2,3) \in R$  but  $(1,3) \notin R$

$\therefore R$  is not transitive.

b) Show that the mapping  $g: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$ , defined by  $g(z) = \exp z$  is surjective but not injective.

$$\Rightarrow g: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} - \{0\}; \quad g(z) = e^z$$

Let  $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  where  $z_1 = 2\pi i$ ,  $z_2 = 0$

$$\text{Then } g(z_1) = e^{2\pi i} = \cos 2\pi + i \sin 2\pi = 1.$$

$$g(z_2) = e^0 = \cos 0 + i \sin 0 = 1$$

$$\therefore z_1 \neq z_2 \Rightarrow \text{but } g(z_1) = g(z_2)$$

$\therefore g(z) = \exp z$  is not injective.

$$\text{Again, } g(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{C} - \{0\},$$

$\therefore g(z) = e^z$  is surjective.