

Week #1, Lecture 2: Fundamentals

- Notation, Sets and More

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A pre-class question is up now.

We will start the class @ 4:30

Section 0 - Sets, Quantifiers, and Mappings

A **set** is a collection of objects. Examples might include:

capital cities = { Ottawa, Paris, London... } finite

prime numbers = { 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, ... } infinite

integers b/w 1 and 10 = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 } finite

negative whole numbers = { -1, -2, -3... } infinite

Classify each of these sets as finite or infinite.

Common Mathematical Sets

Some of our favourite sets are:

• \mathbb{R} : Real numbers e.g. $3, 4.725, \pi, e \dots$

• \mathbb{C} : Complex numbers e.g. $3+0i, 4.725+0i, 2.5+6i$

• \mathbb{N} : "natural numbers" = $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4 \dots\}$
 whole / non-negative 0 is in \mathbb{N} .

• \mathbb{Z} : integers = $\{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3 \dots\}$

• \mathbb{R}^2 : "are two" - set of tuples, with element being a real #.
 e.g. $(2, 5), (\pi, e), \dots$

- C^∞ : set of all infinitely diff'ble functions (on some domain)
 eg. $x, x^2, x^{10}, 0, 1, e^x$ and continuous
 $\sin(x), \cos(x), \tan(x)$ on all of \mathbb{R} .
 any poly'l.

• P_n :

$n \geq 0$

$n \in \mathbb{N}$

poly of degree n or lower

eg. P_3 contains eg. $x^3, 3x^3 - 2x - 1,$
 $x^2, 0, 1, 10, 7,$

P_0

eg. $0, 1, 2, 7, \pi, \dots$

- \emptyset : empty set, $\{\}$ null set

different from $\{0\}$.

Thinking of \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{C} , \mathbb{N} , \mathbb{Z} , \mathbb{R}^2 , C^∞ , P_n , and \emptyset .

Check-In: how many of these sets were known to you before today?

A. All of them

B. All of number-based ones

C. Just the reals and complex.

D. Never really catalogued these before...

Any other sets you can think of? You can type them into the Zoom chat.

Set Notation

Examples:

duplicates are ignored or don't set.

- Simple Lists

$$\{1, 2, 5, 7\} = \{1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 5, 7\} = \{7, 5, 2, 1\}$$

|-----| curly brackets

- Set builder notation:

{ variable : test(s) element has to be pass to be in the set. }

$$\{x : x \in \mathbb{N}, x \leq 10\} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 9, 10\}$$

"such that" (pointing to colon)

or (under x)

"and" (under comma)

- (Informal) The implied

$$\{4, 5, 6, 7, 8, \dots\} \qquad \{1, 4, 9, 16, \dots\}$$

leave to context

Comments: order listing in a set does **not** matter.

Challenges: define the following sets using set notation.

(a) All the integers between -2 and 5 inclusive.

$$\{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\} \quad \text{or} \quad \{x : x \in \mathbb{Z}, -2 \leq x \leq 5\}$$

(b) All the real numbers between -2 and 5 inclusive. *cannot list these*

$$\{x : x \in \mathbb{R}, -2 \leq x \leq 5\} \quad \text{or} \quad x \in [-2, 5]$$

only for real #s

interval notation

(c) The set of all squared natural numbers.

$$\{s : s = x^2, x \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{0, 1, 4, 9, \dots\}$$

x=0, 1, 2

[,] end point included

(,) = end point not included

(d) The set of all infinitely differentiable functions which satisfy $\frac{d}{dx} f(x) = 1$. *not included*

$$\{f : f \in C^\infty, \frac{d}{dx} f(x) = 1\}, \quad \{f : f = x + a, a \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Cartesian Product Sets

The \times symbol between two sets represents the **Cartesian product** of the sets.

The Cartesian product set (or sometimes just “product set”) is a new set whose elements are all the ordered pairs (a, b) with $a \in A$ and $b \in B$.

Example: If $A = \{0, 1, 2\}$ and $B = \{5, 7\}$, define the following Cartesian products:

$$(a) \underline{A \times B} = \{ \overset{\downarrow}{(0, 5)}, (0, 5), (1, 5), (1, 7), (2, 5), (2, 7) \}$$

$$|A| = 2$$

$$|B| = 3$$

elem

$$(b) A \times A = \{ (0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2) \\ (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2) \\ (2, 0), (2, 1), (2, 2) \}$$

$$A^2$$

$$|A| = 3$$

el

$$(c) B \times B \times B = \{(5, 5, 5), (5, 5, 7) \dots (7, 7, 7)\}$$

$$B^3$$

How many elements will each product set have? - Qlicker

$$C = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

$$D = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$

$$|C \times D| = 3 \cdot 5 = 15$$

el in $C \times D$

$$= |C| \cdot |D|$$

Describe how order is and is not important in the product sets.

$$(5, 5, 7) \neq (7, 5, 5)$$

placement/order in tuples does matter

Some of our favourite product sets:

• $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}^2$ xy plane

• $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}^3$ xyz 3D space

• $\underbrace{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}}_{n \text{ times}} = \mathbb{R}^n$ "are en"
n-dimensional space

• $\underbrace{\mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \times \dots \times \mathbb{C}}_{n \text{ times}} = \mathbb{C}^n$ n-dimensional complex space

$\{ \underbrace{(1+0i, 2-3i, \dots)}_{n\text{-element tuple}} \}$

Example: Create a product set that could represent all possible 8-digit binary numbers.

$$S = \{ (0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1), \dots \}$$

each element in $B = \{0, 1\}$

$$= B^8$$

Membership, Set Equality, and Subsets

Symbol denoting that a single object belongs to/is an element of a set:

\in "is an element of"

Symbol denoting that a single object **is not** an element of a set:

\notin "is not an element of"

In the following examples, determine which symbol is appropriate between the object and the set:

15.7 \in \mathbb{R}

15.7 \notin \mathbb{N}

15.7 \notin \mathbb{Z}

$-3+2i \notin \mathbb{R}$

$-3 + 2i \in \mathbb{C}$

$-3 + 2i \notin \mathbb{Z}$

$(x^2 + 1) \in C^\infty$ = continuous, inf'ly diff'ble function

$(x^2 + 1) \in \underline{P_2}$ - quadratic

$(\underline{x^2} + 1) \notin \underline{P_1}$ - quadratic

↳ poly's

of degree 1 or lower
i.e. linear.

$(x^2 + 1)^1 = x^2 + 1$

Equality between sets. Definition: Let A and B be two sets. A is said to be equal to B if they have exactly the same elements. In other words, for two sets, $A \equiv B$ only if the following two conditions are met:

1. Every element in A is also an element of B , and
2. Every element in B is also an element of A .

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Example: Determine if the two sets $A \equiv \{5, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$ and $B = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : x > 1 \text{ and } x \leq 6\}$ are equal.

or $\{x : x \in \mathbb{Z}, x > 1, x \leq 6\}$

1. Is every element of A also in B ?

$5 \in A \rightarrow$ is 5 in B ? Is $5 \in \mathbb{Z}$, $5 > 1$, $5 \leq 6$ so $5 \in B$

$2 \in A \rightarrow$ is 2 in B ? " $2 \in \mathbb{Z}$, $2 > 1$, $2 \leq 6$ yes so $2 \in B$

3
4
6

✓

so all elements of A are in B .

Example: Determine if the two sets $A = \{5, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$ and $B = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x > 1 \text{ and } x \leq 6\}$ are equal.

$$B = \{\cancel{1}, \cancel{-2}, \cancel{-1}, \cancel{0}, \cancel{1}, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, \cancel{7}, \cancel{8}, \cancel{-1}\}$$

$$= \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

all elements are also in A .

so 1. all el'ts of A are also in B

and 2. all el'ts of B are also in A

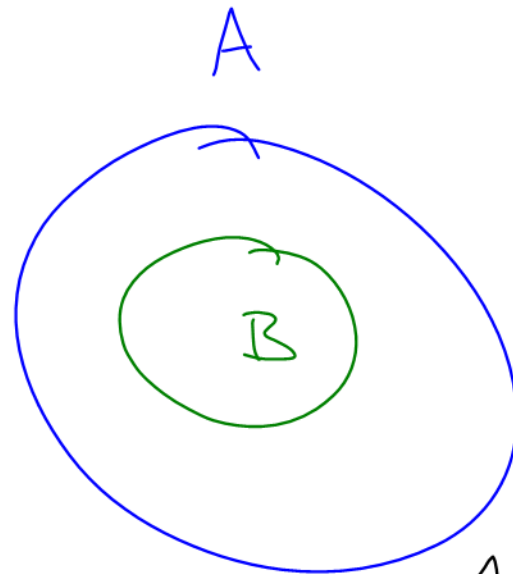
so $A = B$.

Example: Determine if two sets $A = \{1, 4, 9, \dots\}$ and $B = \{s : s = x^2, x \in \mathbb{N}\}$ are equal.

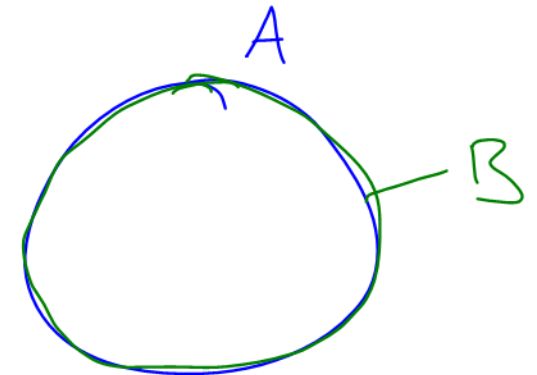
Subsets. Definition: Let A and B be two sets. A is said to be a **subset** of B if every element of A is also an element of B ; we write this as $A \subset B$.

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subset

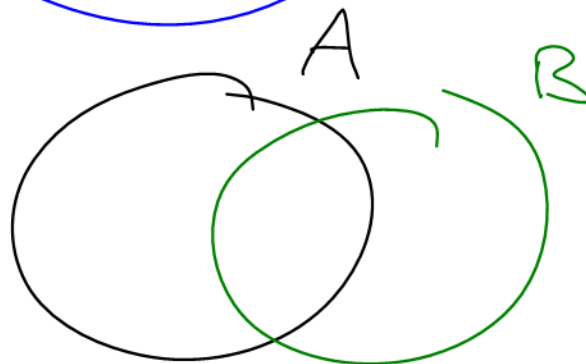
Example: Determine the subset relationships between $A = \{1, 4, 9, \dots\}$ and $B = \{x^2 : x \in \mathbb{N}\}$.



$B \subset A$



$B \subset A$
and
 $A \subset B$



$B \not\subset A$
and
 $A \subset B$

Example: Determine the subset relationships between the following sets:

integers = $\{\dots -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

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$\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}$

$\mathbb{N} \subset \mathbb{Z}$ ✓

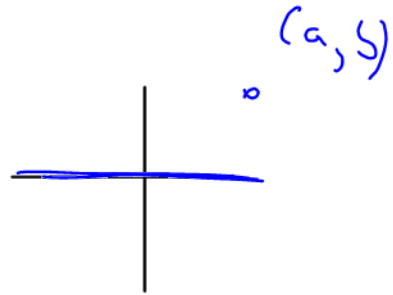
$\mathbb{Z} \not\subset \mathbb{N}$

↑ natural numbers = $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$

\mathbb{C}

$\mathbb{R} \not\subset \mathbb{C}$

$\mathbb{R} \not\subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow (a, b)$



$\mathbb{C} \not\subset \mathbb{R}^2$

\mathbb{C} and (a, b) incompatible

$\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Z}$

Comment: We can state that two sets A and B are equal if and only if both A \subset B and B \subset A.

$A = B$



$A \subset B$

and

$B \subset A$

Example: Use subsets to show that $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : x \geq 0\}$ and $B = \mathbb{N}$ are equal.

Those writing the deferred 171 exam:

Good Luck!

Week #1, Lecture 3 : Fundamentals

- Set operators
- Functions
- Linear Systems of Equations

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Section 0 - Set Operators, Functions and Mappings

Last lecture we saw sets, and we saw ways to compare them through:

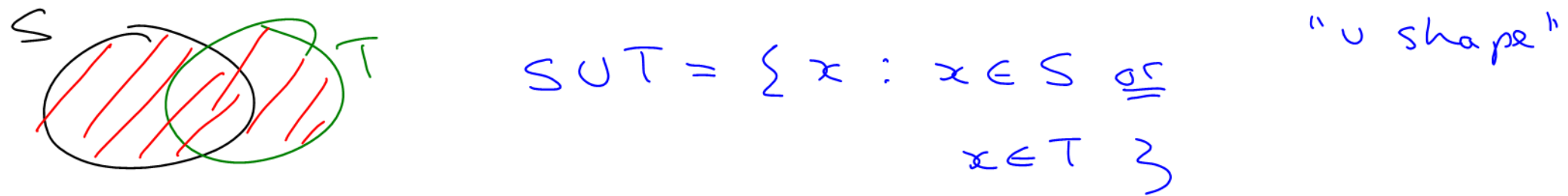
- equality: $A = B$, and
- subsets: $A \subset B$.

We will also need ways to **combine** existing sets.

Set Intersection. Definition: Let S and T be sets. We denote $S \cap T$ as the set of all elements that are in **both** S and in T . We call $S \cap T$ the **intersection** of the sets S and T .

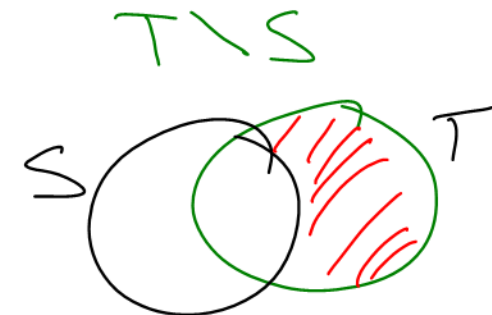
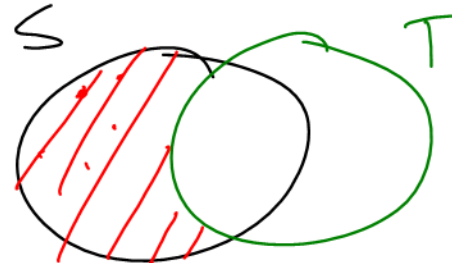


Set Union. Definition: Let S and T be sets. We denote $S \cup T$ as the set of all elements that are in **either** S or in T . We call $S \cup T$ the **union** of the sets S and T .



Set Difference. Definition: Let S and T be sets. We denote $S \setminus T$ as the set of all elements that **are** in S but **not** in T . We call $S \setminus T$ the **set difference** of the sets S and T .

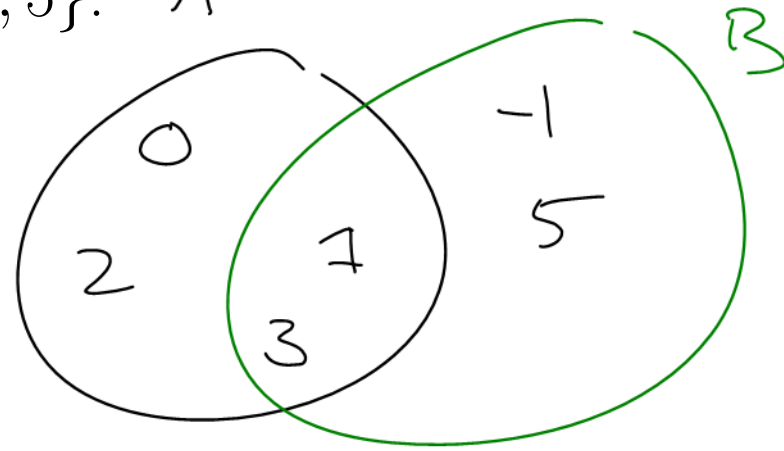
Set "S - T"



Example: Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$, and $B = \{-1, 1, 3, 5\}$. A

Compute:

(a) $A \cup B = \{0, 1, 2, 3, -1, 5\}$



(b) $A \cap B = \{1, 3\}$

(c) $A \setminus B$ **Qlicker**

$= \{0, 2\}$

$\{\dots -27, -8, -1, 0, 1, 8, 27, \dots\}$

Example: Let $A = \{\underline{c} : \underline{c} = \underline{x^3}, \underline{x} \in \mathbb{Z}\}$, and $B = \mathbb{N}$.

Compute:

(a) $A \cup B$

\downarrow
 $\{\dots -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, \dots\}$
 \uparrow
 natural = $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

$= \{\dots -27, -8, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$

(b) $A \cap B = \{0, 1, 8, 27, \dots\}$

(c) $A \setminus B = \{\dots -27, -8, -1.\}$

$A \cap B = B \cap A$
 $A \cup B = B \cup A$

Question: Does the order of the sets listed matter for intersection, union and set difference? Yes!

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$A \cap B$ or $B \cap A$ $A \setminus B$ or $B \setminus A$

commutativity. \rightarrow change order w/o changing value.

Quantifiers

- \forall - “For all ...”, or “For any...”

Example: Rewrite the formula $\underline{A} \subset \underline{B}$ using \forall :

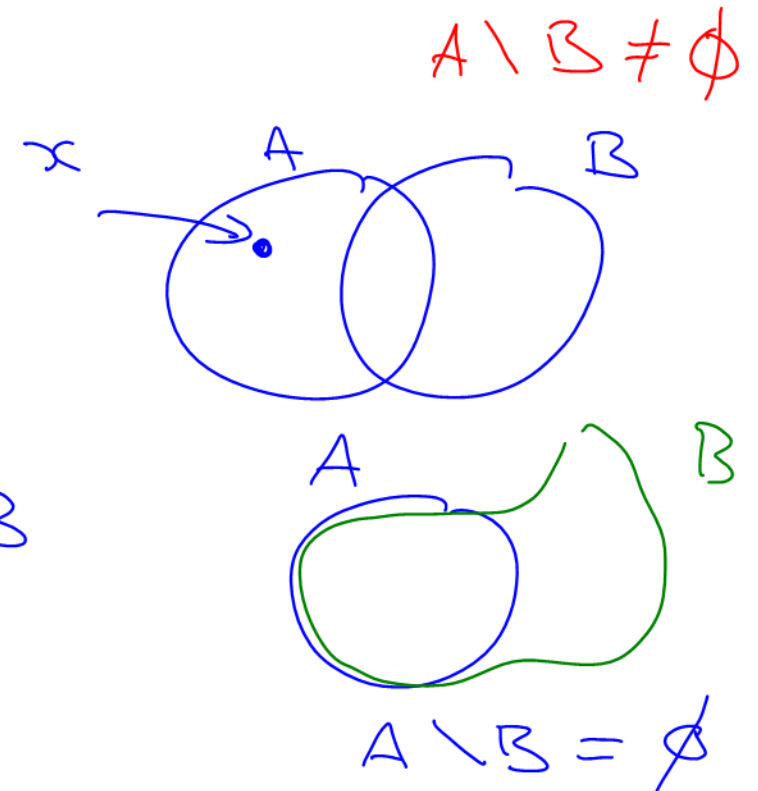
any element x in A is also in B .

If $A \subset B$, then $\forall x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$
 (implies that)

- \exists - “There exists ...”

Example: Rewrite the statement $\underline{A} \setminus \underline{B} \neq \emptyset$ using \exists :

$A \setminus B \neq \emptyset$
 then $\exists x \in A$, but $x \notin B$

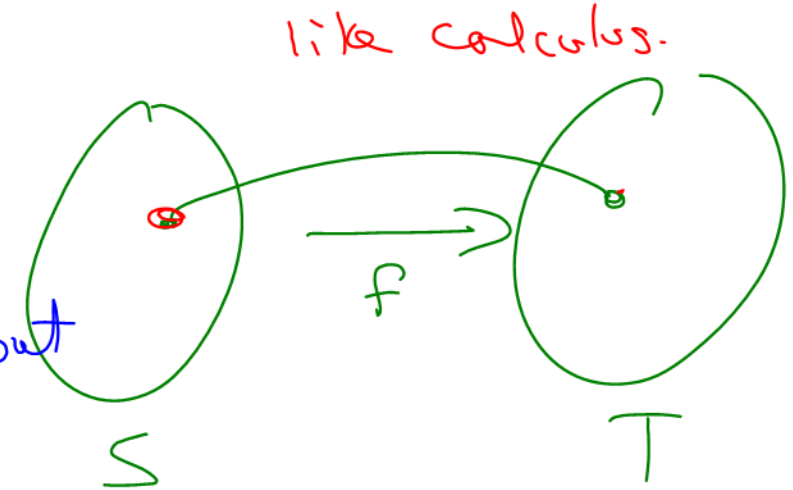


Mappings and Functions. Definition: Let S and T be two sets. A **mapping** or **function** from S to T is a rule which assigns to each element of S one and only one element of T .

Notation:

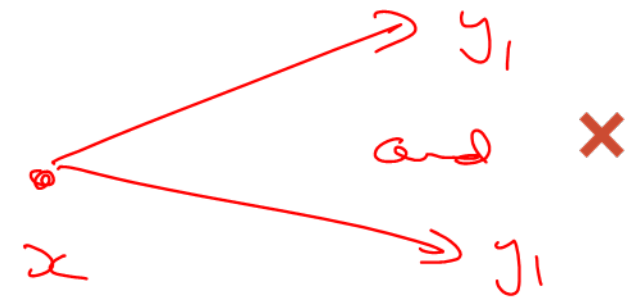
new
 every element in
 input set has a
 defined
 output

$$f : S \rightarrow T$$

$$x \rightarrow f(x)$$


S is called the "input set" or "domain set"

T is called the "output set" or "target set"



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Example: Write out some functions we know from calculus in this new style.

(a) $y = \sin(x)$

$$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x \rightarrow \sin(x)$$

(b) $y = e^{3x}$

$$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x \rightarrow e^{3x}$$

(c) $y = \frac{1}{x}$

not a
function
on $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

~~$$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x}$$~~

we need every input x
to have a defined output
but $0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{0} \notin \mathbb{R}$

Note any issues with these functions.

Name other mappings from $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that you have seen that would not be functions under this definition.

$\tan(x)$
 $\ln(x)$

\sqrt{x}

$y = \frac{1}{x}$

$$f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$x \rightarrow \frac{1}{x}$$

$$S = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ but } x \neq 0\}$$

Example: Consider the three mappings

$$\begin{aligned} f: \mathbb{N} &\rightarrow \mathbb{N} \\ x &\rightarrow x^2 \end{aligned}$$

what is the range = part of target set that is reached / mapped to be at least one input

$$\{0, 1, 4, 9, 16, \dots\}$$

$$g: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x \rightarrow x + 1 \rightarrow \text{surjective}$$

$$\{\dots, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

$$h: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

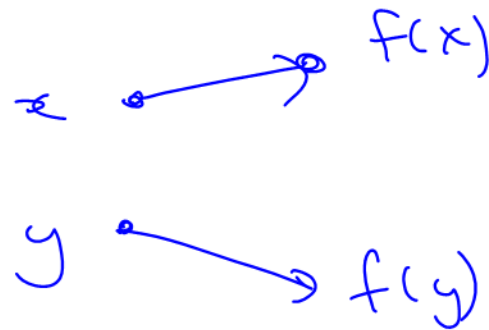
$$x \rightarrow x + 1$$

$$\{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$$

Note they differ in how they cover the target set, and whether have unique or non-unique outputs. It is often useful to classify functions by these properties.

Injective. Definition: Let $f : \underline{S} \rightarrow \underline{T}$. f is said to be injective if $\forall x, y \in S: x \neq y \Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)$.

Paraphrase:

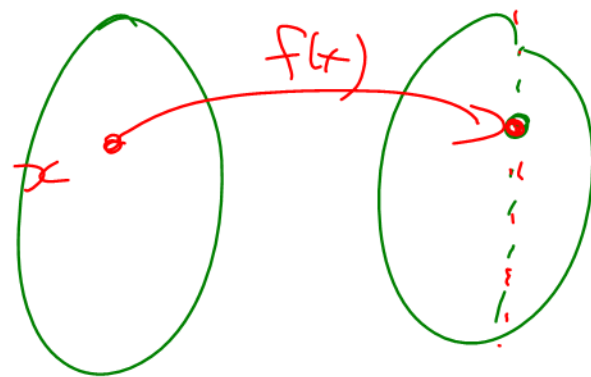


↑
"one to one"

not inj.
if

Surjective. Definition: Let $f : S \rightarrow T$. f is said to be surjective if $\forall t \in T, \exists x \in S : f(x) = t$.

Paraphrase:



onto / fully covers
output.

Bijective. Definition: Let $f : S \rightarrow T$. f is said to be bijective if $\forall t \in T$, there exists one and only one element $x \in S : t = f(x)$.

Paraphrase:

combo of inject + surjective
guarantees invertibility.

Diagrams

	Injective	Not Injective
Surjective		
Not surjective		

two inputs \rightarrow same output

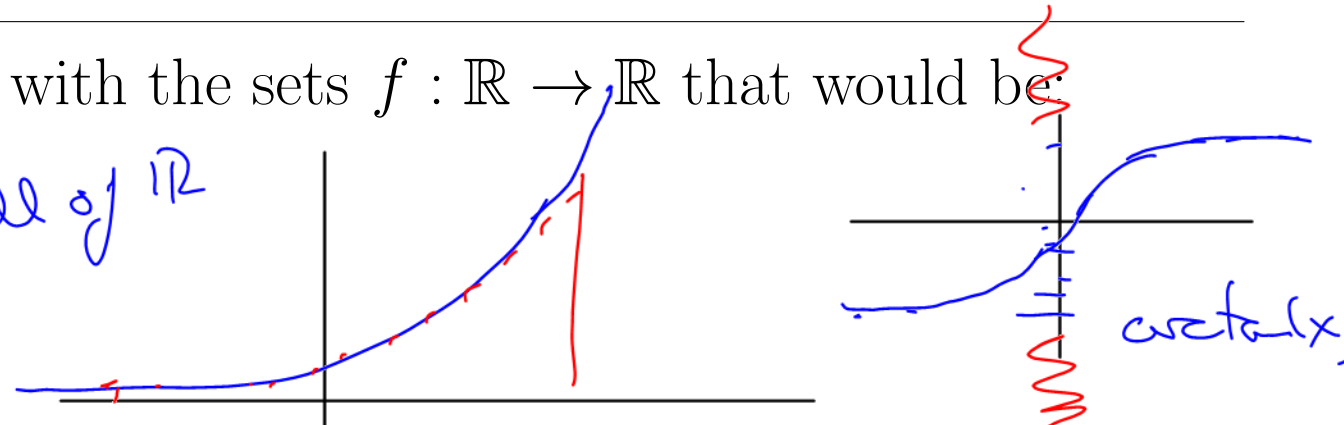
lonely uncovered output values.

Example: Identify functions from calculus, with the sets $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that would be:

- Injective, but not surjective.

↕
 one-to-one
 one output = 1 single input

output not all of \mathbb{R}



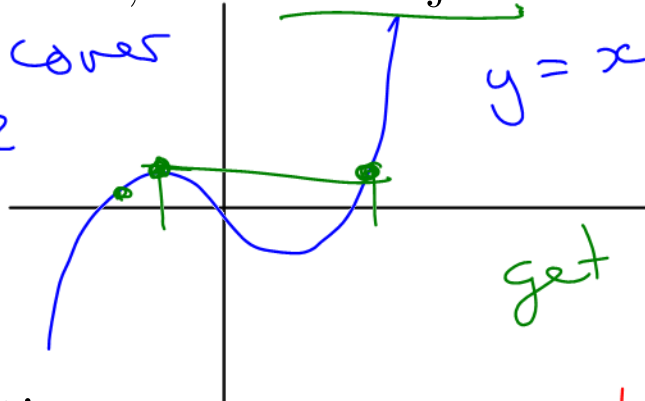
- Surjective, but not injective.

outputs covers all of \mathbb{R}

$$y = e^x$$

$$y = x(x-1)(x+1)$$

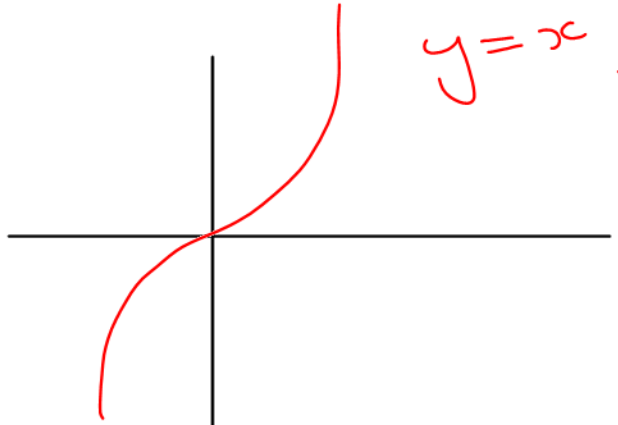
get same y w/ two different x 's



missing 0, neg real outputs.

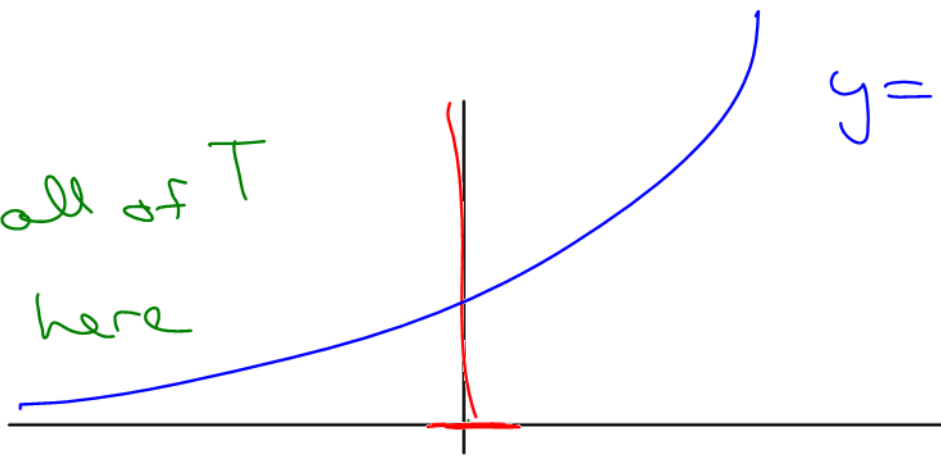
- Bijective.

$y = x^3$ or x^5 or x^7 - output covers all \mathbb{R}



Could the classification of those functions be changed if we redefined either the domain set or the target set for the functions?

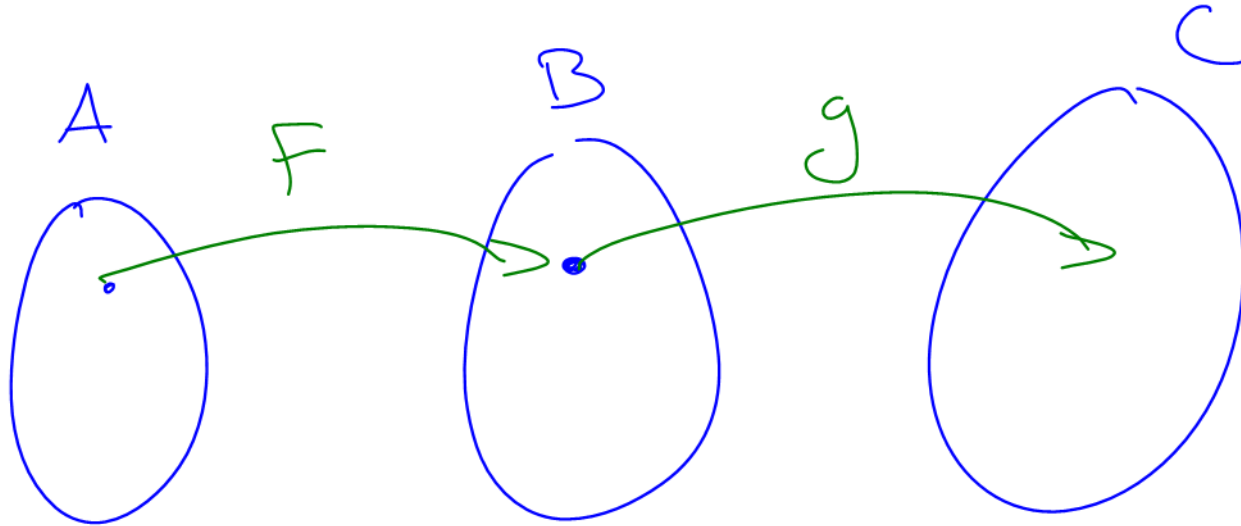
let $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \underline{T}$ where $T = \{x : x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0\}$
 $x \rightarrow e^x$
output of e^x is all of T
so g is surjective here



Composition

Suppose that $f : A \rightarrow B$, and $g : B \rightarrow C$.

Then we can combine or **compose** these maps to get a map directly from $A \rightarrow C$:



Notation is $g \circ f$ reads as either:

- g follows f , or
- g composed with f .

Section 1 - Systems of Linear Equations

Number of solutions to equations

When we solve equation(s), we get a **set** of solutions.

Examples:

(a) Find the set of real solutions to $x^2 = 9$.

(b) Find the set of (possibly complex) solutions to $y^4 = 1$.

(c) Find the set of **only real** solutions to $u^2 = -1$.

Those equations are simple but still relatively challenging to solve because they are **non-linear** equations.

When we look at systems of **purely linear** equations though, we find some simple patterns in the possible solutions.

Example A: Find the set of solutions to the set of linear equations

$$3x + y = 4$$

$$2x + y = 1$$

Example B: Find the set of solutions to:

$$3x + y = 1$$

$$6x + 2y = 4$$

Example C: Find the set of solutions to:

$$3x + y = 2$$

$$6x + 2y = 4$$

Categorize the types of solutions we found:

- System A:

- System B:

- System C:

It will take some work over the next few weeks, but we will prove that these are in fact the **only** possible outcomes when we solve systems of linear equations.

Next week: Section 2, Vector Spaces, or “Sets with Math”.