

Thm 2.3.20 Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ and $g: B \rightarrow C$

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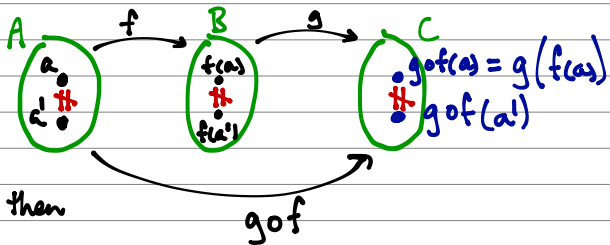
(b) f, g injective $\Rightarrow g \circ f$ injective

(c) f, g bijective $\Rightarrow g \circ f$ is bijective. by (a), (b) —
on w&e — need to
show (a,b).

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Pf (Sketch!)



Def $g \circ f$ injective
means: if
 $g \circ f(a) = g \circ f(a')$, then
 $a = a'$

Better: contrapositive: $a \neq a' \Rightarrow g \circ f(a) \neq g \circ f(a')$. (Want to show)

Let $a \neq a'$ in A. Then $f(a) \neq f(a')$, because f is injective.
Since g is also injective, $g(f(a)) \neq g(f(a'))$.

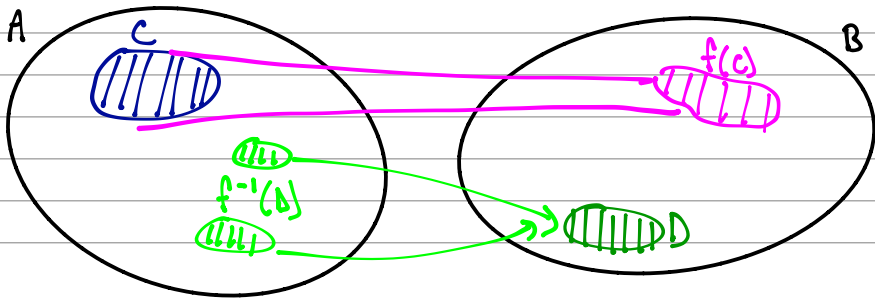
Functions Acting on Sets

Def Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ and suppose $C \subseteq A$, $D \subseteq B$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(C) &= \{b \in B: b = f(c) \text{ for some } c \in C\} \text{ "image of } C\text{"} \\ &= \{b \in B: \exists c \in C \text{ s.t. } f(c) = b\} \\ &= \{f(c): c \in C\} \end{aligned}$$

$$f^{-1}(D) = \{a: f(a) \in D\}$$

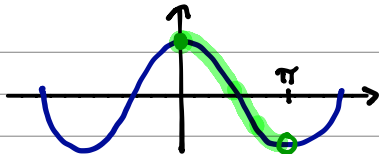
"pre-image of D "



Ex $f(x) = \cos x$

$$f([0, \pi]) = [-1, 1]$$

$$f^{-1}(\{0\}) = \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi k : k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$



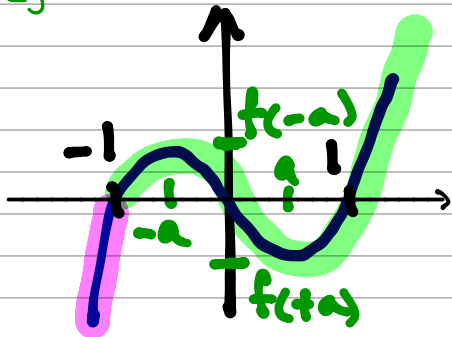
Ex $f(x) = x^3 - x = x(x-1)(x+1)$

$$f((-\infty, -1]) = (-\infty, 0]$$

$$f((-1, \infty)) = [f(a), \infty) = f(0, \infty)$$

$$f((1, \infty)) = (0, \infty)$$

$$f^{-1}((0, \infty)) = (-1, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$$



\exists many theorems involving all of the concepts:

Thm 2.3.16

$$(a) C \subseteq f^{-1}[f(C)]$$

$$(b) f[f^{-1}(D)] \subseteq D$$

$$(c) f(C_1 \cap C_2) \subseteq f(C_1) \cap f(C_2)$$

⋮

Thm 2.3.18

$$(c) \text{ if } f \text{ injective } f(C_1 \cap C_2) = f(C_1) \cap f(C_2)$$



Assignment: read through these thms and come to class on Tuesday with questions!

Last Concept in §2.3

Def Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be bijective. The **inverse** of f is the function $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$ which "undoes" f :

$$f^{-1}(b) = a \text{ where } f(a) = b$$

Relation version: $(b, a) \in B \times A$ is in f^{-1} if $(a, b) \in f \subseteq A \times B$

$$f^{-1} = \{ (b, a) : (a, b) \in f \}.$$

 Notice the similarity in notation with pre-images.

preimages generally written for sets: e.g. $f^{-1}(\{1\})$
 $f^{-1}(\{x\})$

Thm 2.3.24 Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be bijective. Then

(a) $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$ is also a bijection.

(b) $f^{-1} \circ f = id_A$ and $f \circ f^{-1} = id_B$

where $id_S: S \rightarrow S$ is identity function
 $x \mapsto x$

Ex $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ $f^{-1}: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$
 $n \mapsto n+1$ $m \mapsto m-1$

