

In general: $g \circ f(m, n) = g(f(m, n))$
 $= g(m+n)$
 $= (m+n)^2 + 1$

observe: $g \circ f: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$

The identity function

Def'n Spc A is a set. The identity function on A , denoted id_A , is defined by:

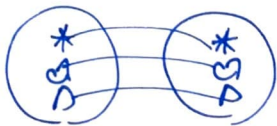
$$\text{id}_A: A \rightarrow A$$

$$\text{id}_A(x) = x$$

e.g. if $A = \{*, \heartsuit, \Delta\}$ then $\text{id}_A: A \rightarrow A$

is:

$$\text{id}_A = \{(*, *), (\heartsuit, \heartsuit), (\Delta, \Delta)\}$$

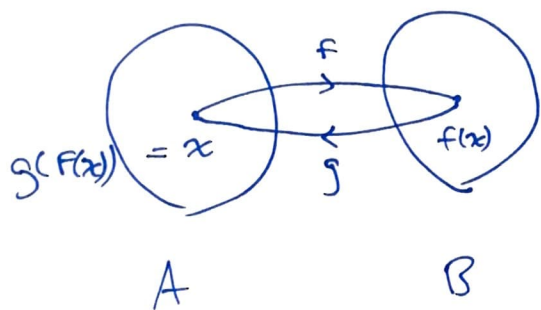


Def'n a function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is called invertible iff there is a function $g: B \rightarrow A$ s.t.:

$$g \circ f = \text{id}_A \quad \text{i.e. } (\forall x \in A) \quad g(f(x)) = x$$

and $f \circ g = \text{id}_B \quad \text{i.e. } (\forall y \in B) \quad f(g(y)) = y$

if such g exists it is called the inverse of f and denoted f^{-1}



Ex: Consider $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $f(x) = 2x + 1$

Let $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by:

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

Observe: $(\forall x \in \mathbb{R}) \quad g(f(x)) = g(2x+1)$ (165)

$$= \frac{2x+1-1}{2}$$

$$= x$$

hence $g \circ f = \text{id}_{\mathbb{R}}$

also: $(\forall x \in \mathbb{R}) \quad f(g(x)) = f\left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)$

$$= 2\left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right) + 1$$

$$= x$$

hence $f \circ g = \text{id}_{\mathbb{R}}$.

thus: f is invertible and its inverse f^{-1} is g .

Note: not all functions are invertible

In fact:

Theorem: a function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is invertible iff f is a bijection

Pf: $(\Rightarrow)$ Suppose f is invertible and let $g = f^{-1}$ be its inverse.

WTS: f is a bijection

(surjectivity) - fix $y \in B$

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- let $x = g(y)$

- then $f(x) = f(g(y)) = y$
(since $f \circ g = \text{id}_B$)

Since $y \in B$ was arbitrary, f is surjective

(injectivity) - fix $x, y \in A$ and s.t.
 $f(x) = f(y)$

- then $g(f(x)) = g(f(y))$

- hence $x = y$ (since $g \circ f = \text{id}_A$)

Since $x, y \in A$ were arbitrary, f is injective.

($\Leftarrow$) s.t. now that $f: A \rightarrow B$ is a bijection

WTS: f is invertible.

Define: $g = \{(b, a) \in B \times A \mid (a, b) \in f\}$

Claim: ① g is a function from B to A

② $g = f^{-1}$

Pf of ①: WTS $(\forall b \in B) \exists$ a unique $a \in A$ (167)

s.t. $(b, a) \in g$.

— so fix $b \in B$

(existence) — since f is surjective, $\exists a \in A$
s.t. $f(a) = b$, i.e. $(a, b) \in f$

— hence $(b, a) \in g$, by def'n of g

(uniqueness) — sup there is $a' \in A$ s.t.

$(b, a') \in g$ as well.

— then $(a', b) \in f$

— i.e. $f(a') = b$

— but then $f(a') = f(a)$. Since f

is injective, must have $a' = a$ ✓

Hence ① is proved ✓

Pf of ②: WTS: $g = f^{-1}$ i.e. $g \circ f = \text{id}_A$
 $f \circ g = \text{id}_B$

— so fix $a \in A$

— let $b = f(a)$ so that $(a, b) \in f$

— then $(b, a) \in g$ i.e. $g(b) = a$

— i.e. $g(f(a)) = a$

— since $a \in A$ was arbitrary, $g \circ f = \text{id}_A$

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- Now fix $b \in B$. Let $a = g(b)$
so that $(b, a) \in g$
- then must be $(a, b) \in f$, i.e. $f(a) = b$
- hence $f \circ g(b) = f(g(b)) = f(a) = b$
- since $b \in B$ was arbitrary, $f \circ g = \text{id}_B$.

Hence $g = f^{-1}$ as claimed.

Hence f is invertible ✓

We can sometimes use theorem to prove
a given f is a bijection.

ex: Consider $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = 2x + 1$

Claim: f is a bijection

Pf: we checked above that if $g(x) = \frac{x-1}{2}$
then $g = f^{-1}$

Hence f is invertible

By theorem, f is a bijection