

Math 10/10 I Week 1

Set notation

- A set is a collection of elements

eg. $A = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$
↑ set ↑ ↑ ↑ ↑ elements

i.e. A is the set of the first four positive even numbers

- $x \in A$: x is an element of A

$x \notin A$: x is not an element of A

eg $2 \in \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$
 $3 \notin \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$

- $A \subseteq B$: A is a subset of B ①
i.e. every element of A is an element of B

$$\{2, 4\} \subseteq \{2, 4, 6, 8\} \subseteq \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$$

Rmk

① order is not important $\{2, 5, 7\} = \{5, 2, 7\}$

② Many possible presentation for a set

i). $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \overset{\text{such that}}{\downarrow} x^2 = 1\} = \{1, -1\}$

the set of all real numbers

x such that $x^2 = 1$

ii). $\{2m : \overset{\text{such that}}{\downarrow} m \in \mathbb{N}\} = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10, \dots\}$

the set of all $2m$ such that m is a natural number

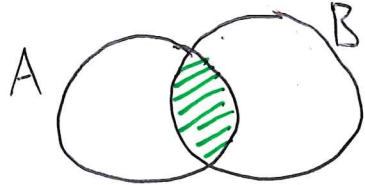
Notations: Let A, B be sets

$$A \cap B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\} \quad (\text{intersection})$$

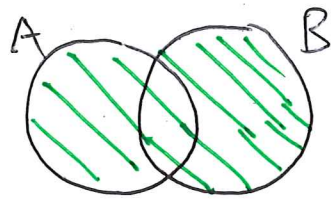
$$A \cup B = \{x \mid x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\} \quad (\text{union})$$

$$A \setminus B = \{x \in A \mid x \notin B\} \quad (\text{Relative complement of } B \text{ in } A)$$

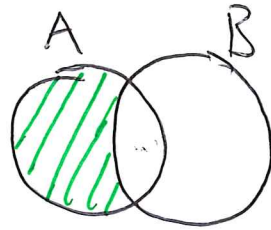
Picture



$A \cap B$



$A \cup B$



$A \setminus B$

eg $A = \{2, 4, 6\}$ $B = \{3, 6, 9\}$

$$A \cup B = \{2, 3, 4, 6, 9\}$$

$$A \cap B = \{6\}$$

$$A \setminus B = \{2, 4\}$$

Some important sets

(2)

$$\mathbb{N} = \text{the set of all natural numbers} \\ = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$$

$$\mathbb{Z} = \text{the set of all integers}$$

$$= \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots\}$$

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

$$\mathbb{Q} = \text{the set of all rational numbers}$$

$$\mathbb{R} = \text{the set of all real numbers}$$

$$\emptyset = \text{empty set}$$

$$\emptyset \subseteq \mathbb{N} \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$

Intervals let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

$$(a, b) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x < b\}$$

$$[a, b] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \leq x \leq b\}$$

$$(a, b] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x \leq b\}$$

$$(-\infty, b] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \leq b\}$$

$$(a, \infty) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > a\}$$

$$(-\infty, \infty) = \mathbb{R}$$

eg. $2 \in [2, 4]$ ← closed interval (end points) included

$2 \notin (2, 4)$ ↑ open interval (end points not) included

↑ open interval (end points not) included

Logic symbols

\forall : for all / for any

\Rightarrow : implies

\exists : there exists

\Leftrightarrow : if and only if (equivalent.)

$\exists!$: there exists unique

eg ① $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 \geq 0$

② $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists y \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $y > x$.

③ $\forall x > 0, \exists! y > 0$ such that $y^2 = x$

④ let $m \in \mathbb{Z}$

m is divisible by 4 \Rightarrow m is divisible by 2

~~False m is divisible by 2 \Rightarrow m is divisible by 4~~

m is divisible by 6 \Leftrightarrow m is divisible by 2 and 3

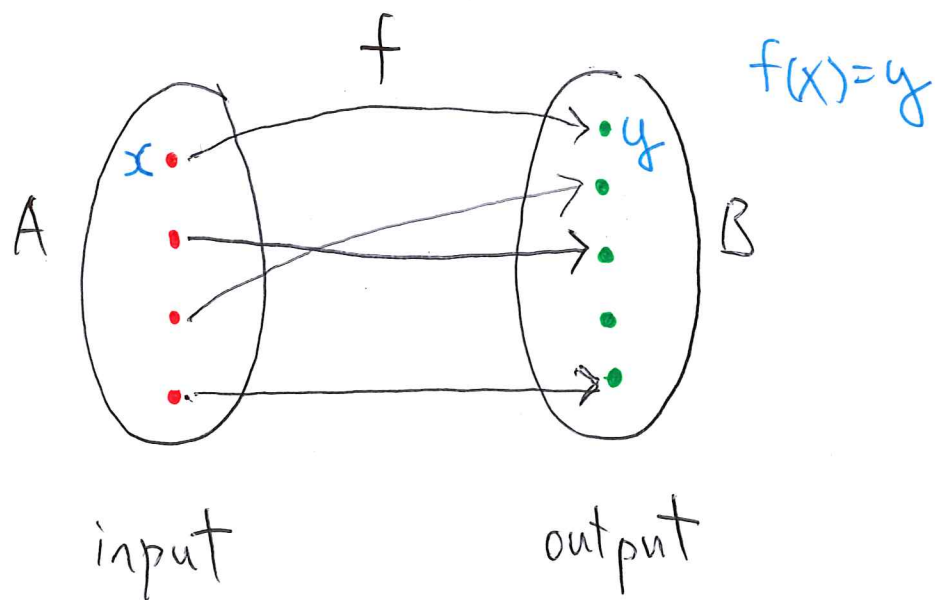
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Function Let A, B be sets.

A function $f: A \rightarrow B$ is a rule of assigning to each element of A an element of B

A is called the domain of f

B is called the codomain of f



We say that

the image of x (under f) is y

x is a pre-image of y

range of $f = f(A)$

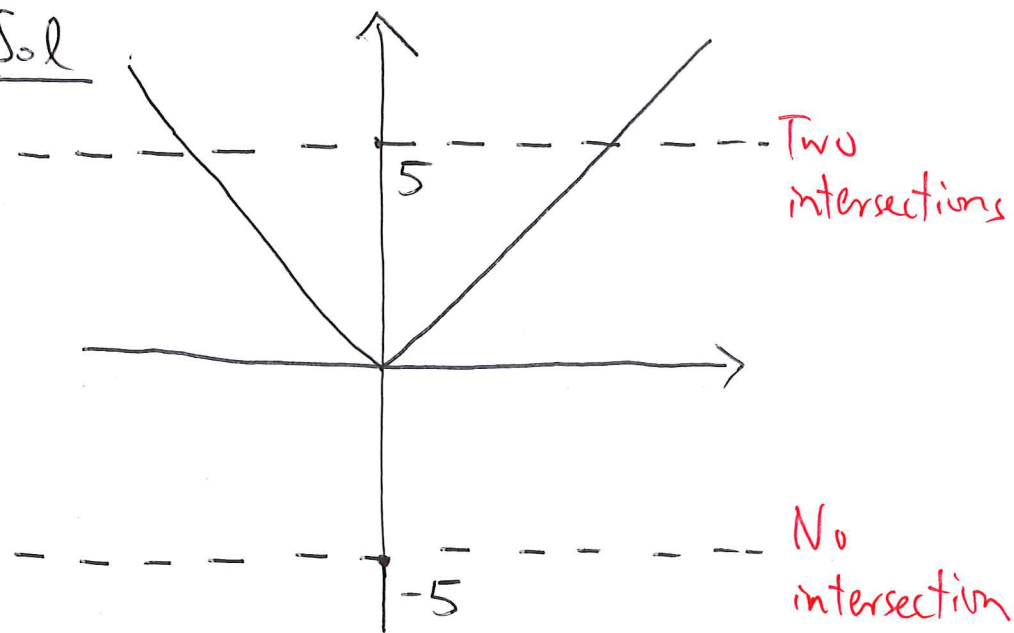
$$= \{f(x) \in B : x \in A\}$$

$$= \left\{ z \in B : z = f(x) \text{ for } \right. \\ \left. \text{some } x \in A \right\}$$

eg. $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $f(x) = |x|$.

Is $5 \in f(\mathbb{R})$? Is $-5 \in f(\mathbb{R})$?

Sol



$$f(5) = f(-5) = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \in f(\mathbb{R})$$

$$\text{However, } f(x) \neq -5 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow -5 \notin f(\mathbb{R})$$

Rmk $f(\mathbb{R}) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq 0\}$
"range of f"

Injective, surjective and bijective functions (5)

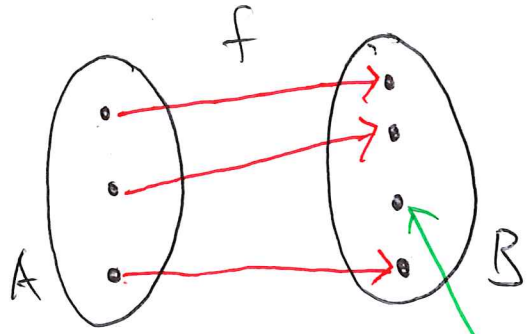
Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ be a function.

f is said to be

- ① injective if $f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$
i.e. "Same output \Rightarrow Same input"
i.e. "Different inputs \Rightarrow Different outputs"
- ② surjective if $\forall y \in B, \exists x \in A$ such
that $f(x) = y$
- ③ Bijective if f is both injective
and surjective

Picture $f: A \rightarrow B$

eg1



injective

✓

surjective

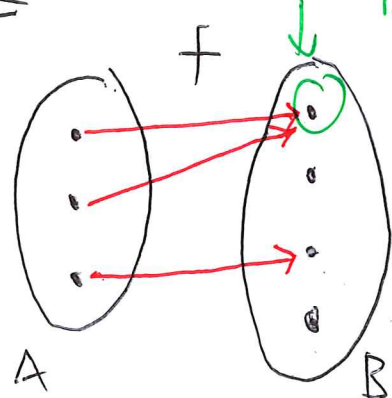
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bijective

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no preimage

eg2



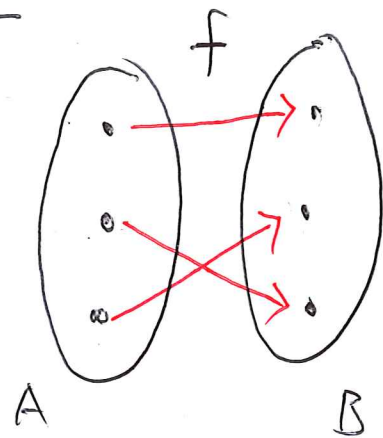
Two different elements map to it

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eg3

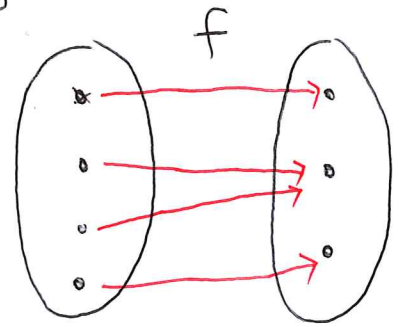


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Rmk Graphically, injective means no two different arrows point to the same element in B
 surjective means every element in B is pointed by at least one arrow

eg Is the square function bijective?

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

$f(x) = x^2$

$g: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$g(x) = x^2$

$h: [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$

$h(x) = x^2$

$p: [0, 2] \rightarrow [0, 3]$

$p(x) = x^2$

Injective?

X

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Surjective?

X

X

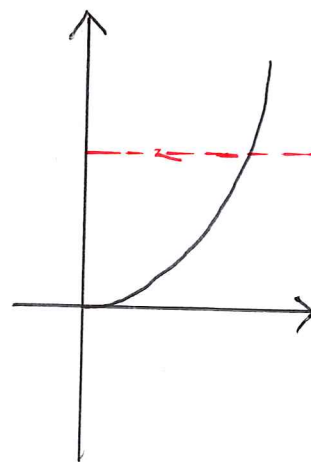
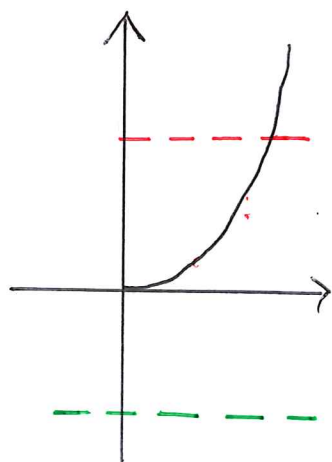
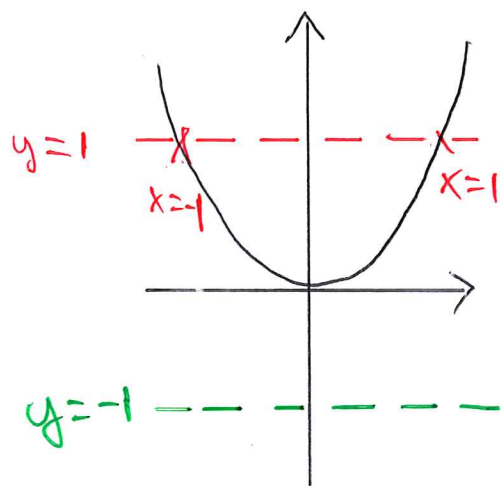
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Bijective?

X

X

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It is not well-defined

because

$2 \in [0, 2]$

$2^2 = 4 \notin [0, 3]$

Sequence of Real numbers

A sequence $\{a_n\}$ consists of

$$a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, \dots$$

where each $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$

Equivalently, a sequence is a function from \mathbb{N} to \mathbb{R}

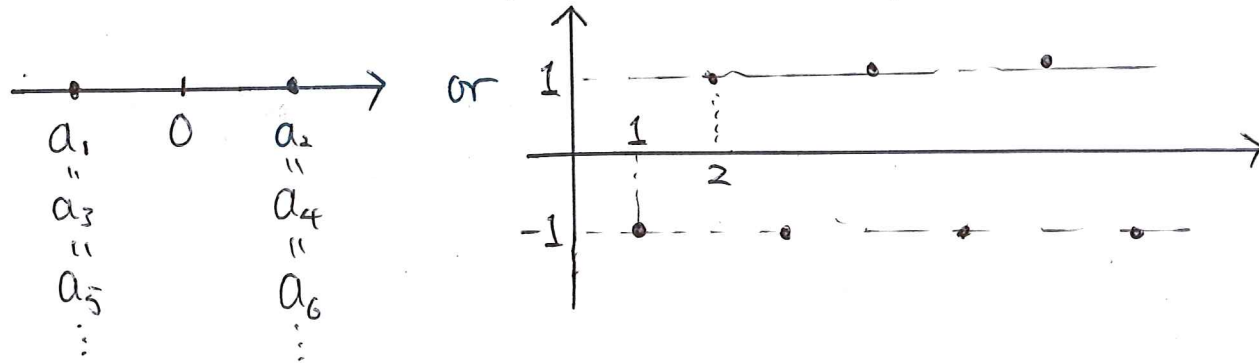
eg 1 $a_n = (-1)^n$

$$a_1 = a_3 = a_5 = \dots = -1$$

$$a_2 = a_4 = a_6 = \dots = 1$$

$$-1, 1, -1, 1, -1, \dots$$

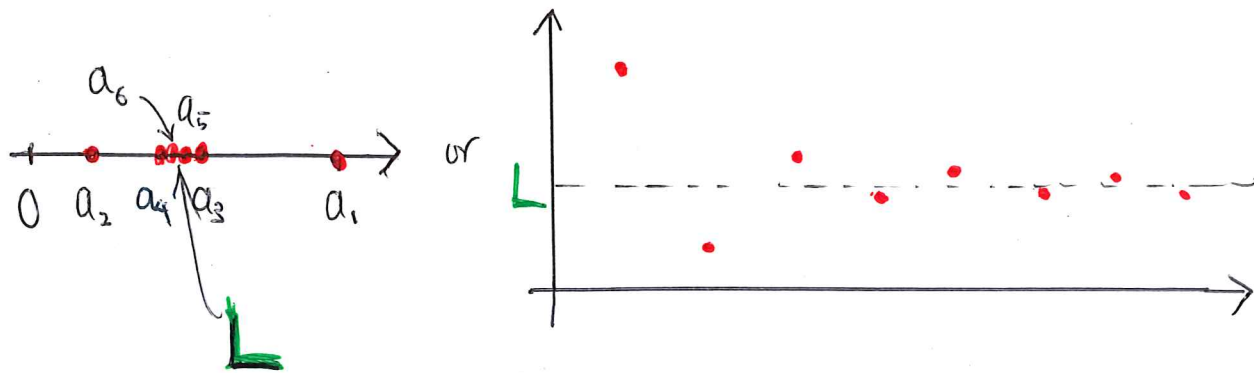
Picture:



eg 2 (Recursive sequence)

$$a_1 = 2, \quad a_n = \frac{1}{1 + a_{n-1}} \quad \text{for } n \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a_2 = \frac{1}{3}, \quad a_3 = \frac{3}{4}, \quad a_4 = \frac{4}{7}, \quad a_5 = \frac{7}{11}$$



① $L = \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$

② $a_n \rightarrow L$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Limit of a sequence

"Defn" Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence, $L \in \mathbb{R}$

We say that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$ if

a_n is close enough to L

when n is large enough

In this case, $\{a_n\}$ is said to be

convergent

If no such L exists, then we say

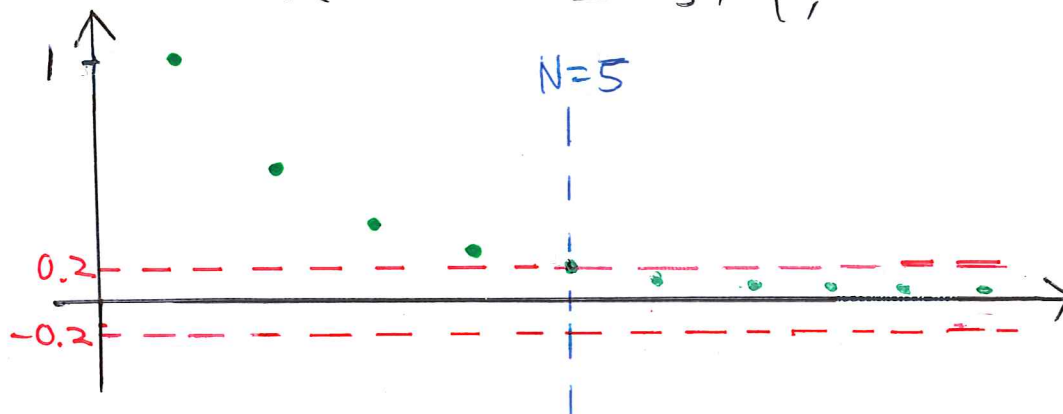
that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ does not exist (DNE)

and $\{a_n\}$ is said to be divergent

Real definition of limit (ϵ - N)

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$ if $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N > 0$ such that
 $\forall n > N, |a_n - L| < \epsilon$

eg 3 $a_n = \frac{1}{n} : 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots$



$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$$

eg. Given $\epsilon = 0.2$, take $N = 5$

- Given $\epsilon = 0.01$, take $N = 100$

In general, given $\epsilon > 0$, take N to be any integer greater than $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$