

MTH307 - HOMEWORK 8

Solutions to the questions in Section B should be submitted by the start of class on 4/12/18.

A. WARM-UP QUESTIONS

We use the following terminology.

$$\mathbb{P} = \{a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0 \mid a_n, a_{n-1}, \dots, a_0 \in \mathbb{R}, n \geq 0\}$$

is the set of all real polynomials. If $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, we say that $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is *increasing* if $x < y$ implies $f(x) < f(y)$.

Question A.1. Compute the domain and range of the following functions and justify your answer.

- (i) $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}$.
- (ii) $f(x) = x^2 - 4x - 7$.
- (iii) $f(x) = \frac{2x-1}{x+5}$.
- (iv) $f(x, y) = \frac{x+y}{x-y}$.
- (v) $f(x) = \frac{ax+b}{cx+d}$ for $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$.

Question A.2. Find $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$ for the following pairs of functions.

- (i) $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2+1}$ and $g(x) = 2x - 1$.
- (ii) $f, g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $f(x, y) = g(x, y) = (xy, x^3)$.
- (iii) $f, g: \mathbb{R} - \{-1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = g(x) = \frac{1}{x+1} - 1$.

Question A.3. For each of the following functions, decide if they are injective, surjective or bijective and prove your answer.

- (i) $f: \mathbb{R} - \{1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$, $f(x) = \left(\frac{x+1}{x-1}\right)^3$.
- (ii) $f: \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z})$, $f(X) = \overline{X}$.
- (iii) $f: \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, $f(m, n) = 2^m 3^n$.
- (iv) $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$,

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} n + 3 & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ 2(n + 1) & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

- (v) $f: \mathbb{R} - \{2\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} - \{5\}$, $f(x) = \frac{5x+1}{x-2}$.
- (vi) $F: \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}$, $F(p) = p'$.
- (vii) $F: \mathbb{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}$, $F(p) = p + 2p'$.

Question A.4. Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be increasing. Prove that f is injective.

Question A.5. Suppose $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$.

- (i) Show that if f and g are injective then $g \circ f$ is injective.
- (ii) Show that if $g \circ f$ is injective then f is injective.
- (iii) Suppose $g \circ f$ is injective. Must it be true that g is injective? Prove it or provide a counterexample.

B. SUBMITTED QUESTIONS

Question B.1. Let $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be defined by $f(x, y) = (x + y, x^2)$. Decide if f is injective, surjective or bijective and prove your answer.

Question B.2. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow Z$ be surjective. Prove that $g \circ f$ is surjective.

C. CHALLENGE QUESTIONS

Question C.1. Let $L: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $L(x) = 4x(1 - x)$ and $T: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2}, \\ 2(1 - x) & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

Let $h: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$, $h(x) = \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi x}{2}\right)$. Show that $L \circ h = h \circ T$.