

Homework 7 - Math 300D - Winter 2014 - Dr. Matthew Conroy

Relevant reading: Velleman, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 6.1.

1. Define a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ -3x & \text{if } x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$$

Is  $f$  one-to-one? Is  $f$  onto? Is  $f^{-1}$  a function? State and prove a theorem.

2. Let  $a, b, c$  and  $d$  be real numbers. Suppose  $cd \neq 0$  and  $ad - bc \neq 0$ .

Define  $f : \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-\frac{d}{c}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \setminus \{\frac{a}{c}\}$  by

$$f(x) = \frac{ax + b}{cx + d}.$$

- (a) Show that  $f$  is one-to-one and onto.  
(b) Give a formula for  $f^{-1}(x)$ .
3. Let  $A, B$  and  $C$  be sets. Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$ .
- (a) Prove that if  $f$  and  $g$  are onto, then  $g \circ f$  is onto.  
(b) Prove that if  $g \circ f$  is onto, then  $g$  is onto.  
(c) If  $g \circ f$  is onto, is  $f$  necessarily onto? Prove your answer.
4. Let  $A$  be the set of subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Define a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow A$  by

$$f(x) = \{z \in \mathbb{R} : |z| > x\}.$$

Is  $f$  one-to-one? Is  $f$  onto?

5. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets, and  $f : A \rightarrow B$ . Suppose  $f$  is one-to-one. Prove that there exists a subset  $C \subseteq B$  such that  $f^{-1} : C \rightarrow A$ .
6. For each of the following pairs of sets, give a bijection from the first set to the second set.
- (a)  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{-6, 0, 5\}$   
(b)  $(-2, \infty)$  and  $(-\infty, 7)$   
(c)  $(-\infty, 3)$  and  $(0, 1)$