

INJECTIVE, SURJECTIVE AND BIJECTIVE FUNCTIONS

Let X and Y be sets and let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function.

(A) In pairs or threes decide whether each property below is equivalent to f being surjective.

- (1) For all $y \in Y$ there exists $x \in X$ such that $f(x) = y$.
- (2) For all $y \in Y$ there exists a unique $x \in X$ such that $f(x) = y$.
- (3) For all $y \in Y$ the equation $f(x) = y$ has a solution.
- (4) For some $y \in Y$ the equation $f(x) = y$ has a solution.
- (5) Every output of f has an input.
- (6) When f is drawn as a diagram, every dot in Y has an arrow coming into it.
- (7) **(Added)** The range of f is equal to the codomain of f .

(B) In pairs or threes decide whether each property below is equivalent to f being injective.

- (1) Different inputs to f always give different outputs.
- (2) If $x \neq x'$ then $f(x) \neq f(x')$.
- (3) For all $y \in Y$, the equation $f(x) = y$ has at most one solution.
- (4) For all $x \in X$ there exists $y \in Y$ such that $f(x) = y$.
- (5) For all $x \in X$ there exists a unique $y \in Y$ such that $f(x) = y$.
- (6) When f is drawn as a diagram, there is at most one arrow leaving each $x \in X$.
- (7) When f is drawn as a diagram, no element of Y has two or more arrows coming into it.

(C) Now suppose that $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function. Which of the properties below is equivalent to g being (a) injective, (b) surjective? (c) bijective?

- (1) The graph of f meets every horizontal line at most once.
- (2) The graph of f meets every horizontal line at least once.
- (3) The graph of f meets every vertical line.
- (4) **(Added)** The graph of f meets every horizontal line exactly once.