

Discrete Mathematics in Computer Science

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Exercise Sheet 5

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Exercise 5.1 (2 marks)

Specify a partial function $f : \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\} \rightarrow \{u, v, w, x, y, z\}$ which satisfies *all* of the following properties:

- (i) $|\text{dom}(f)| = 5$
- (ii) $\text{img}(f) = \{u, v, x, z\}$
- (iii) $f^{-1}[\{u, v, w\}] = \{1, 2, 4\}$
- (iv) $f|_{\{2,3,4\}}$ is a total function.

You can specify your function either by listing the mapping explicitly or by drawing the graph.

Exercise 5.2 (2 marks)

Prove the following statement:

For $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $g : B \rightarrow C$, if the composition $g \circ f$ is injective, then f is injective.

Exercise 5.3 (2 marks)

Show with an example that there exists sets A, B, C and functions $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $g : B \rightarrow C$ such that neither f nor g is bijective, but $g \circ f$ is bijective.

Hint: Use the result from Exercise 5.2 to think about which properties f and g must have.

Exercise 5.4 (3 marks)

Given $n \in \mathbb{N}_1$, consider the set $S_n = \{0, \dots, 2n - 1\}$ and the following permutation:

$$\pi_n(i) = \begin{cases} i + 2 \pmod{2n} & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \\ i - 4 \pmod{2n} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) Denote π_4 in two-line and cycle notation.

(b) Specify $\sigma\pi_3$ with $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 5 & 4 & 3 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ in two-line notation.

(c) Specify $\pi_5^{-1}\pi_5^{-1}$ in one-line notation.

Exercise 5.5 (1 mark)

Consider a permutation π over a set S consisting of n disjoint cycles with lengths m_i for $1 \leq i \leq n$. How many times do you need to apply the permutation to reach the initial configuration again?

In other words, for which $k > 0$ do we have $\pi^k(x) = x$ for all $x \in S$?

Briefly justify your answer.

Hint: First consider the case of a single cycle.

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