

Math 201: problem set VI

Isomorphism

1. Let X be a set endowed with operation \star and let Y be a set endowed with operation \clubsuit . (It is assumed, of course, that each set is closed under its own operation).
(Sometimes X and Y will have multiple operations.)

An isomorphism is a bijection $\Phi : X \rightarrow Y$ that preserves operations.

More precisely: For all x_1 and $x_2 \in X$, $\Phi(x_1 \star x_2) = \Phi(x_1) \clubsuit \Phi(x_2)$.

For example, let X be the space of 2×1 (column) vectors with real entries, endowed with the usual matrix addition. Let Y be the space of 1×2 (row) vectors, also endowed with the usual matrix addition.

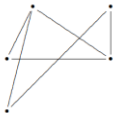
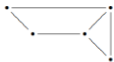
Define $\Phi \left(\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \right) = [a \ b]$

Prove that Φ is an isomorphism.

2. Consider the following function $\Phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ defined by the rule, for all $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\Phi(a) = a + 1$. Assume that operation on \mathbb{Z} is addition in both the domain and target.
 - (1) Is Φ well-defined?
 - (2) Is Φ surjective?
 - (3) Is Φ injective?
 - (4) Is Φ bijective?
 - (5) Is Φ an isomorphism?

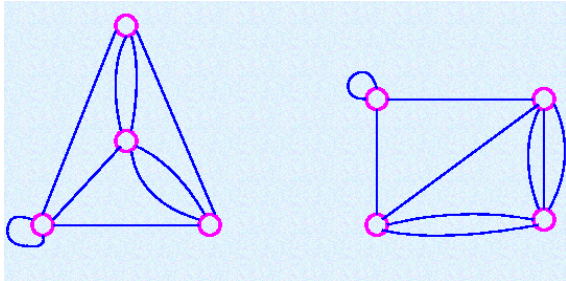
Investigate each of the following functions by going through the list of five questions in #2.

3. Let X be the space of all polynomials with real coefficients. Let X and Y have one operation: polynomial addition. Define $F : X \rightarrow Y$ by the following rule: for all $p \in X$, $F(p) = p'$
4. Are the following two graphs isomorphic?

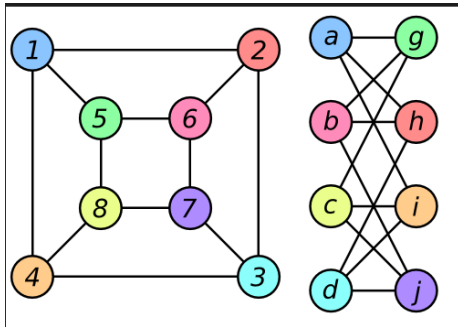


5. Let X be the set of polynomials of degree 2 or smaller with real coefficients, endowed with the usual addition of polynomials. Let Y be the set of 3×1 column vectors, endowed with the usual matrix addition. Define $G : X \rightarrow Y$ as follows: For all $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ $G(a + bx + cx^2) = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$.

6. Let X and Y each be the set of complex numbers endowed with the usual addition and multiplication. Note, here each set has two operations.
Define $H: X \rightarrow Y$ as follows: For all $z \in X$ $H(z) = \text{conjugate of } z$.
7. Let X be the set of real numbers endowed with the usual addition. Let Y be the set of all non-negative real numbers endowed with the usual multiplication.
Define $T: X \rightarrow Y$ as follows: For all $s \in X$ $T(s) = 2^s$.
8. Are the following two graphs isomorphic?



11. Are the following two graphs isomorphic?



The origins of graph theory are humble, even frivolous.

- N. Biggs, E. K. Lloyd, and R. J. Wilson (*Graph Theory: 1736-1937*)