

7.11) Let $f : S \rightarrow T$ and $g : T \rightarrow U$.

(a) If $g \circ f$ is one-to-one, must both f and g be one-to-one?

(b) If $g \circ f$ is onto, must both f and g be onto?

i) If $g \circ f$ is one-to-one, f must be one-to-one.

Consider $f(s_1) = f(s_2)$ for $s_1, s_2 \in S$
 $g(f(s_1)) = g(f(s_2))$ since g is a function, and $f(s_1), f(s_2) \in T$
 $s_1 = s_2$ since $g \circ f$ is one-to-one
 Thus, f is one-to-one

ii) If $g \circ f$ is onto, g must be onto.

Since $g \circ f$ is onto, $\forall u \in U, \exists s \in S \ni g(f(s)) = u$

Take $t = f(s)$, where, definitively, $t \in T$

So, $\forall u \in U, \exists t \in T \ni g(t) = u$

And g is onto.

iii) If $g \circ f$ is one-to-one, g is not necessarily one-to-one.

iv) If $g \circ f$ is onto, f is not necessarily onto.

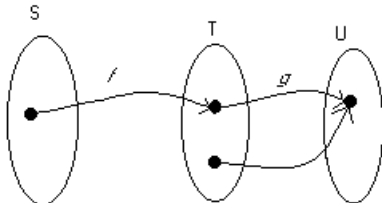
Consider such functions and sets defined as follows:

$S = \{s_1\}$
 $T = \{t_1, t_2\}$
 $U = \{u_1\}$

$f(s_1) = t_1$
 $g(t_1) = u_1$
 $g(t_2) = u_1$
 $g \circ f(s_1) = u_1$

or, in set notation (see pages 59-60 of the textbook):

$f = \{(s_1, t_1)\}$
 $g = \{(t_1, u_1), (t_2, u_1)\}$
 $g \circ f = \{(s_1, u_1)\}$



There is no $s \in S$ such that $f(s) = t_2$.

$g(t_1) = u_1 = g(t_2)$ but $t_1 \neq t_2$.

In this example, $g \circ f$ is both one-to-one, and onto. However, f is not onto (iv), and g is not one-to-one (iii).