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Q1]... Define what it means for a function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  to be *injective*.

$f : A \rightarrow B$  is injective if  $\forall a_1, a_2 \in A,$

$$f(a_1) = f(a_2) \implies a_1 = a_2,$$

Define what it means for a function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  to be *surjective*.

$f : A \rightarrow B$  is surjective if

$\forall b \in B \quad \exists a \in A$  such that  $f(a) = b.$

Say whether each of the following functions are *injective*, *surjective* or both.

(1)  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} : n \mapsto 10n$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f(n) = f(m) &\implies 10n = 10m \\ &\implies \frac{10n}{10} = \frac{10m}{10} \\ &\implies n = m \end{aligned} \right\} \implies \boxed{f \text{ injective}}$$

$f$  is not surjective

eg  
 $f(x) = 1$   
 $\implies 10x = 1$   
 $\implies x = \frac{1}{10} \notin \mathbb{Z}$

(2)  $f : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} : (m, n) \mapsto m + n$

$\boxed{f \text{ surjective}}$   $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z},$   
 $(0, n) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  and  $f(0, n) = 0 + n = n.$   
 $\implies f$  onto

$f$  not injective

$f(-1, 1) = -1 + 1 = 0$   
 $= -2 + 2 = f(-2, 2)$   
 but  $f(-1) \neq (-2, 2).$

(3)  $f : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} : (m, n) \mapsto (3m + n, m + n)$

$\boxed{f \text{ injective}}$

$f(m, n) = f(a, b)$

$\implies (3m + n, m + n) = (3a + b, a + b)$

$\implies \begin{aligned} 3m + n &= 3a + b \\ m + n &= a + b \end{aligned}$

Subtract  $2m = 2a$

$\implies m = a$

$\implies m + n = a + b$   
 $m = a$

$\implies n = b$

$(m, n) = (a, b)$

$f$  not surjective

eg  $(1, 0)$  is not in range of  $f.$

$f(m, n) = (1, 0)$

$\implies \begin{aligned} 3m + n &= 1 \\ m + n &= 0 \end{aligned}$

$\implies 2m = 1$

$\implies m = \frac{1}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}.$

Other example (3)

$$f: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$$
$$: (m, n) \mapsto (2m+n, m+n)$$

$f$  is injective (proof same as previous eg).

?  $f$  surjective?  $\leadsto f(m, n) = (x, y)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2m+n = x \\ m+n = y \\ \hline m = x-y \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-y) + n = y$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 2y - x$$

$$\text{So } f(x-y, 2y-x) = (x, y)$$

& clearly  $(x-y, 2y-x) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$

so  $f$  is surjective

$\Rightarrow$   $f$  is a bijection!