

# Group Discussion Week 4

## Please Discuss

- 1) What do you consider the most important topic(s) of the class last week?
- 2) Are there parts of the class or homework you found confusing or difficult? (If so, which?)
- 3) Consider the relation  $R \subset \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  given as

$$R = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \mid a^2 = b\}$$

- a) Is it a function?
- b) Let  $C$  be the *converse* (or inverse) relation to  $R$ . Is it a function? Why or why not?
- c) What is the composition  $R \circ C$ ? What is the composition  $C \circ R$ ? Is either of them a function?