

Assignment 3 Due date: March 24, 2016

1. For each of the following, determine whether it is valid or invalid. If valid then give a proof. If invalid then give a counter example.

(a) $A \subseteq C$ and $B \subseteq C \Leftrightarrow A \cup B \subseteq C$

Solution: VALID:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &\equiv ((x \in A) \rightarrow (x \in C)) \wedge ((x \in B) \rightarrow (x \in C)) \\ &\equiv ((x \notin A) \vee (x \in C)) \wedge ((x \notin B) \vee (x \in C)) \\ &\equiv ((x \notin A) \wedge (x \notin B)) \vee (x \in C) \\ &\equiv [\neg\neg((x \notin A) \wedge (x \notin B))] \vee (x \in C) \\ &\equiv [\neg((x \in A) \vee (x \in B))] \vee (x \in C) \\ &\equiv ((x \in A) \vee (x \in B)) \rightarrow (x \in C) \\ &\equiv \text{RHS} \end{aligned}$$

(b) $(B \cap C) \subseteq A \Rightarrow (C - A) \cap (B - A) = \emptyset$

Solution: VALID: We can prove this by contradiction: Suppose $B \cap C \subseteq A$, but $(C - A) \cap (B - A)$ is not empty. Then there exists an element $x \in (C - A) \cap (B - A)$. Thus this x satisfies $x \in C$, $x \in B$ and $x \notin A$. But this contradicts the assumption that $B \cap C \subseteq A$.

(c) $(A \cup B) - (A \cap B) = A \Rightarrow B = \emptyset$

Solution: VALID: We prove this by contradiction: Suppose $(A \cup B) - (A \cap B) = A$, but B is not empty. Then there exists an element $x \in B$. There are two possible cases:

- i. x is also an element of the set A . Then $x \in A \cup B$ and $x \in A \cap B$. Hence $x \notin (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$. Since $(A \cup B) - (A \cap B) = A$ it follows that $x \notin A$ which is a contradiction.
- ii. x is not an element of the set A . Then $x \in A \cup B$ and $x \notin A \cap B$. Hence $x \in (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$. Since $(A \cup B) - (A \cap B) = A$ it follows that $x \in A$ which is a contradiction.

(d) $(A \times C) \cup (B \times D) = (A \cup B) \times (C \cup D)$.

Solution: VALID:

Suppose $(x, y) \in (A \times C) \cup (B \times D)$.

Case 1: $(x, y) \in (A \times C)$. Then $x \in A$ and $y \in C \Rightarrow x \in A \cup B$ and $y \in C \cup D \Rightarrow (x, y) \in (A \cup B) \times (C \cup D)$.

Case 2: $(x, y) \in (B \times D)$: Similar to Case 1.

Suppose $(x, y) \in (A \cup B) \times (C \cup D)$. $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow x \in A \cup B$ and $y \in C \cup D$

Case 1: $x \in A$ and $y \in C$. $\Rightarrow (x, y) \in (A \times C) \Rightarrow (x, y) \in (A \times C) \cup (B \times D)$

Case 2: $x \in B$ and $y \in C$. Similar.

Case 3: $x \in A$ and $y \in D$. Similar.

Case 4: $x \in B$ and $y \in D$. Similar.

2. Let $A_i = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots, i\}$ Find

(a) $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$

Solution: $\{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots, n\} = A_n$

(b) $\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i$

Solution: $\{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1\} = A_1$

3. Give one example of a function from \mathbb{Z}^+ to \mathbb{Z}^+ of each type below:

(a) both one-to-one and onto

Solution: $f(n) = n$.

(b) one-to-one and not onto

Solution: $f(n) = n + 1$.

(c) onto and not one-to-one

Solution: $f(n) = n$, if n is odd, and $f(n) = n/2$, if n is even,

(d) neither one-to-one nor onto.

Solution: $f(n) = 3$.

4. If A and B are sets and $f : A \rightarrow B$, then for any subset S of A we define

$$f(S) = \{b \in B : b = f(a) \text{ for some } a \in S\} .$$

Similarly, for any subset T of B we define the *pre-image* of T as

$$f^{-1}(T) = \{a \in A : f(a) \in T\} .$$

Note that $f^{-1}(T)$ is well defined even if f does not have an inverse !

Now let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined as $f(x) = x^2$. Let S_1 denote the closed interval $[-2, 1]$, that is all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ that satisfy $-2 \leq x \leq 1$, and let S_2 be the open interval $(-1, 2)$, that is all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ that satisfy $-1 < x < 2$. Also let $T_1 = S_1$ and $T_2 = S_2$.

Determine

$$f(S_1 \cup S_2) , f(S_1) \cup f(S_2) , f(S_1 \cap S_2) , f(S_1) \cap f(S_2) ,$$

and

$$f^{-1}(T_1 \cup T_2) , f^{-1}(T_1) \cup f^{-1}(T_2) , f^{-1}(T_1 \cap T_2) , \text{ and } f^{-1}(T_1) \cap f^{-1}(T_2) .$$

Solution:

We see that

$$S_1 \cup S_2 = T_1 \cup T_2 = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : -2 \leq x < 2\} \quad S_1 \cap S_2 = T_1 \cap T_2 = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : -1 < x \leq 1\}$$

$$f(S_1) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : 0 \leq x \leq 4\} \quad f(S_2) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : 0 \leq x < 4\}$$

$$f^{-1}(T_1) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : -1 \leq x \leq 1\} \quad f^{-1}(T_2) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : -\sqrt{2} < x < \sqrt{2}\}$$

so that

$$f(S_1 \cup S_2) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : 0 \leq x \leq 4\} \quad f(S_1) \cup f(S_2) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : 0 \leq x \leq 4\}$$

$$f(S_1 \cap S_2) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : 0 \leq x \leq 1\} \quad f(S_1) \cap f(S_2) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : 0 \leq x < 4\}$$

$$f^{-1}(T_1 \cup T_2) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : -\sqrt{2} < x < \sqrt{2}\} \quad f^{-1}(T_1) \cup f^{-1}(T_2) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : -\sqrt{2} < x < \sqrt{2}\}$$

$$f^{-1}(T_1 \cap T_2) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : -1 \leq x \leq 1\} \quad f^{-1}(T_1) \cap f^{-1}(T_2) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : -1 \leq x \leq 1\}$$

5. Let A and B be arbitrary sets. Let S_1 and S_2 be arbitrary subsets of A , and let T_1 and T_2 be arbitrary subsets of B . For each of the following state whether it is True or False. If True then give a proof. If False then give a counterexample:

$$(a) f(S_1 \cup S_2) = f(S_1) \cup f(S_2) \quad (b) f(S_1 \cap S_2) = f(S_1) \cap f(S_2)$$

$$(c) f^{-1}(T_1 \cup T_2) = f^{-1}(T_1) \cup f^{-1}(T_2) \quad (d) f^{-1}(T_1 \cap T_2) = f^{-1}(T_1) \cap f^{-1}(T_2)$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} (a) b \in f(S_1 \cup S_2) &\iff \exists a \in A : a \in (S_1 \cup S_2) \wedge f(a) = b \\ &\iff \exists a \in A : (a \in S_1 \vee a \in S_2) \wedge f(a) = b \\ &\iff \exists a \in A : (a \in S_1 \wedge f(a) = b) \vee (a \in S_2 \wedge f(a) = b) \\ &\iff b \in f(S_1) \vee b \in f(S_2) \\ &\iff b \in f(S_1) \cup f(S_2) . \end{aligned}$$

(b) This identity is not always valid. A counterexample can be found in Problem 3. What is True is that $f(S_1 \cap S_2) \subseteq f(S_1) \cap f(S_2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} (c) a \in f^{-1}(T_1 \cup T_2) &\iff \exists b \in B : b \in (T_1 \cup T_2) \wedge f(a) = b \\ &\iff \exists b \in B : (b \in T_1 \vee b \in T_2) \wedge f(a) = b \\ &\iff \exists b \in B : (b \in T_1 \wedge f(a) = b) \vee (b \in T_2 \wedge f(a) = b) \\ &\iff a \in f^{-1}(T_1) \vee a \in f^{-1}(T_2) \\ &\iff a \in f^{-1}(T_1) \cup f^{-1}(T_2) . \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (d) a \in f^{-1}(T_1 \cap T_2) &\iff \exists b \in B : b \in (T_1 \cap T_2) \wedge f(a) = b \\ &\iff \exists b \in B : b \in T_1 \wedge b \in T_2 \wedge f(a) = b \\ &\iff \exists b \in B : b \in T_1 \wedge f(a) = b \wedge b \in T_2 \wedge f(a) = b \\ &\iff a \in f^{-1}(T_1) \wedge a \in f^{-1}(T_2) \\ &\iff a \in f^{-1}(T_1) \cap f^{-1}(T_2) . \end{aligned}$$

6. Let $f : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ be defined as $f(m, n) = (m - n, n)$.

- (a) Is f a bijection? If yes, give a proof and derive a formula for f^{-1} . If not, explain why not.

Solution: f is one-to-one (proof by contrapositive):

Suppose $f(m_1, n_1) = f(m_2, n_2)$ for $m_1, m_2, n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Then $(m_1 - n_1, n_1) = (m_2 - n_2, n_2)$

It follows that $n_1 = n_2$ and $m_1 - n_1 = m_2 - n_2$

If we add n_1 to both sides of the latter, we get $m_1 = m_2$,

which proves that f is one-to-one.

f is onto: Let $(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow f(m + n, n) = (m, n)$.

The inverse is $f^{-1}(m, n) = (m + n, n)$.

- (b) Define the powers of f , by $f^1 = f$ and $f^{i+1} = f \circ f^i$. Derive a formula for f^k . Is f^k a bijection? If yes, give a proof and derive a formula for $(f^k)^{-1}$. If not, explain why not.

Solution:

We have

$$f^1(m, n) = (m - n, n),$$

$$f^2(m, n) = (m - n - n, n),$$

$$f^3(m, n) = (m - n - n - n, n),$$

$\dots,$

$$f^k(m, n) = (m - kn, n).$$

f^k is one-to-one: Suppose $(m, n) = (m', n') \Rightarrow m = m'$ and $n = n' \Rightarrow m - kn = m' - kn' \Rightarrow f^k(m, n) = f^k(m', n')$.

f^k is onto: Let $(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow f^k(m + kn, n) = (m, n)$.

The inverse is $f^{-1}(m, n) = (m + kn, n)$.

7. Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$.

- (a) How many total functions $f : A \rightarrow A$ are there?

Solution:

Each of the five elements in A can be mapped (independently of how the other elements in A are mapped) to any of the five elements in A . Consequently, there are $5^5 = 3125$ possible functions $f : A \rightarrow A$.

- (b) How many of the functions in (a) are one-to-one?

Solution:

Suppose a function f maps 1 to any of the five elements in A . Then there are four choices left for mapping 2, three choices for 3, two choices for 4, and one choice for 5. Consequently, each of the $5! = 120$ permutations of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 represents a one-to-one function on A .

8. Prove or disprove the statements below.

- (a) For all positive real numbers x and y , $\lfloor x \cdot y \rfloor \leq \lfloor x \rfloor \cdot \lfloor y \rfloor$.

Solution: The claim is false.

Counter-example: $x = y = 1.5$. Then $\lfloor x \cdot y \rfloor = \lfloor 1.5 \cdot 1.5 \rfloor = \lfloor 2.25 \rfloor = 2$, and $\lfloor x \rfloor \cdot \lfloor y \rfloor = \lfloor 1.5 \rfloor \cdot \lfloor 1.5 \rfloor = 1 \cdot 1 = 1$.

- (b) For all positive real numbers x and y , $\lceil x \cdot y \rceil \leq \lceil x \rceil \cdot \lceil y \rceil$.

Solution: The claim is true.

Proof: We have $x \leq \lceil x \rceil$ and $y \leq \lceil y \rceil$, and thus $x \cdot y \leq \lceil x \rceil \cdot \lceil y \rceil$. Consequently $\lceil x \cdot y \rceil \leq \lceil \lceil x \rceil \cdot \lceil y \rceil \rceil = \lceil x \rceil \cdot \lceil y \rceil$.

9. (a) Suppose that Hilbert's Grand Hotel is fully occupied, but the hotel closes all even numbered rooms for maintenance. Show that all guests can remain in the hotel.

Solution: Move guest in room n to room $2n - 1$.

- (b) Show that a countably infinite number of guests arriving at Hilbert's fully occupied Grand Hotel can be given rooms without evicting any current guest.

Solution: Move guest currently in room n to room $2n$. Then all odd rooms will be vacant. Since the number of odd rooms is countably infinite, you can move all new guests there.

10. (a) Let a and b be integers, and $m \geq 2$ an integer. Prove that

$$ab \equiv \left((a \bmod m) \times (b \bmod m) \right) (\bmod m)$$

Solution: The claim holds if $m \mid \left(ab - (a \bmod m) \times (b \bmod m) \right)$. Let $a = mq + r$ and $b = mq' + r'$. Then $ab = (mq + r)(mq' + r') = mqm q' + mqr' + rmq' + rr' = m(qmq' + qr' + rq') + rr'$.

We have $(a \bmod m)(b \bmod m) = rr'$, so $\left(ab - (a \bmod m) \times (b \bmod m) \right) = \left(ab - rr' \right) = m(qmq' + qr' + rq')$, which means that $m \mid \left(ab - (a \bmod m) \times (b \bmod m) \right)$.

- (b) Let a, b, c , and d be integers and $m \geq 2$ an integer. Prove that if $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$, then $a - c \equiv b - d \pmod{m}$.

Solution: If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ then textbook Theorem 4 in Chapter 4.1 tells us that $a = b + km$ for some integer k . Likewise, $c = d + k'm$ for some integer k' .

Thus $a - c = b - d + m(k - k')$, so by the aforementioned Theorem 4 we can conclude that $a - c \equiv b - d \pmod{m}$.

11. Use a proof by cases to show that $\gcd(m + n, mn) - \gcd(m, n)$ is even for all integers m and n .

Solution:

Case 1: If both m and n are even then both are divisible by 2, and hence both $m + n$ and mn are divisible by 2. Thus the greatest common divisor of $m + n$ and mn must contain the factor 2, i.e., it must be even. Similarly, $\gcd(m, n)$ is even. Hence $\gcd(m + n, mn) - \gcd(m, n)$ is even.

Case 2: If both m and n are odd then $m + n$ is even, while mn is odd. Thus $\gcd(m + n, mn)$ cannot contain the factor 2, i.e., it must be odd. Similarly, $\gcd(m, n)$ is odd. Hence $\gcd(m + n, mn) - \gcd(m, n)$ is even.

Case 3: If m is odd and n even then $m + n$ is odd, while mn is even. Thus $\gcd(m + n, mn)$ cannot contain the factor 2, i.e., it must be odd. Similarly, $\gcd(m, n)$ is odd. Hence $\gcd(m + n, mn) - \gcd(m, n)$ is even.

Case 4: The case m is even and n odd follows similarly.

12. Prove that if p is prime, and $p|a_1a_2 \cdots a_n$ where each a_i is an integer, then $p|a_i$ for some i .

Solution: Requires induction. Question postponed to Assignment 4.