

## Solutions to HW 1.

- (Exercise 1.2.4.) Produce an infinite collection of sets  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  with the property that every  $A_i$  has an infinite number of elements,  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  for all  $i \neq j$ , and  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \mathbb{N}$ .

In this problem,  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$ .

Let  $A_i$  be the set of all natural numbers divisible by  $2^{i-1}$  but not divisible by  $2^i$ . (So,  $A_1$  = set of odd natural numbers,  $A_2 = 2 \cdot A_1$ ,  $A_3 = 4 \cdot A_1$ , ETC.) By unique factorization,  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots\}$  is a partition of  $\mathbb{N}$  into infinitely many infinite classes.

- (Exercise 1.2.7.)

(b) Find two sets  $A$  and  $B$  for which  $f(A \cap B) \neq f(A) \cap f(B)$ .

$A = (0, \infty) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ,  $B = (-\infty, 0) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : x \mapsto x^2$ . Then  $f(A \cap B) = f(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ , but  $1 \in f(A) \cap f(B)$  since  $f(1) = 1 = f(-1)$  and  $1 \in A$ ,  $-1 \in B$ .

(c) Show that, for an arbitrary function  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , it is always true that  $g(A \cap B) \subseteq g(A) \cap g(B)$  for all sets  $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ .

We must show that  $(\forall y)((y \in g(A \cap B)) \rightarrow (y \in g(A) \cap g(B)))$ .

Choose any  $y \in g(A \cap B)$ . There exist  $x \in A \cap B$  such that  $g(x) = y$ . Since  $x \in A$  we get  $y \in g(A)$ , and since  $x \in B$  we get  $y \in g(B)$ . Hence  $y \in g(A) \cap g(B)$ . This shows that  $g(A \cap B) \subseteq g(A) \cap g(B)$ .

- (Exercise 1.2.8.) ( $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ .) Give an example of each or state that the request is impossible:

(a)  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  that is 1-1 but not onto.

$$f(n) = n + 1$$

(b)  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  that is onto but not 1-1.

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} n - 1 & \text{if } n > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } n = 0 \end{cases} \quad (\text{Note: } f(1) = 0 = f(0).)$$

(c)  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  that is 1-1 and onto.

If  $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ , then we can take

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ n/2 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ -(n+1)/2 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$