

Ma 4111: Advanced Calculus

Homework Assignment 2

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Please return your solutions to the instructor by the end of class on the due date. You may collaborate on these problems but you must write up your own solutions. **Late homework will not be accepted.**

Put $(a, b) = \{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ for problems 1 and 2.

1. Prove that $(a, b) = (c, d)$ if and only if $a = c$ and $b = d$.
2. Define an “ordered n -tuple” (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) inductively for $n > 2$ by the formula

$$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ((a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1}), a_n).$$

Prove that $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ if and only if $a_i = b_i$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

For problems 3 and 4, define an *equivalence relation* S to be a relation with the following three properties:

reflexivity: $a \in \text{Dom } S \Rightarrow (a, a) \in S$;

symmetry: $(a, b) \in S \Rightarrow (b, a) \in S$;

transitivity: If $(a, b) \in S$ and $(b, c) \in S$ then $(a, c) \in S$.

Such a relation generalizes “=” and if $(a, b) \in S$ then we say that “ a and b are equivalent with respect to S .”

3. Determine which of the following plane relations are equivalence relations: (a) $S = \{(x, y) : x^2 = y^2\}$; (b) $S = \{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 < 1\}$; (c) $S = \{(x, y) : xy > 0\}$. (d) $S = \{(x, y) : xy < 0\}$.
4. Fix $p \in \mathbf{Z}^+$ and let $S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{Z}^+ \times \mathbf{Z}^+ : p|(x - y)\}$. Show that S is an equivalence relation. (If $(x, y) \in S$, then we say that x and y are *congruent modulo* p and write $x \equiv y \pmod{p}$.)

For problems 5, 6, 7 and 8, let $f : S \rightarrow T$ be a function and for each $Y \subset T$ define $f^{-1}(Y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{x \in S : f(x) \in Y\}$.

5. Prove that $X \subset f^{-1}[f(X)]$ for any $X \subset S$.
6. Prove that $f[f^{-1}(Y)] \subset Y$ for any $Y \subset T$.
7. Prove that $f[f^{-1}(Y)] = Y$ for any $Y \subset T$ if and only if $f(S) = T$.

8. Prove that the following five statements are equivalent:
- (a) f is one-to-one on S .
 - (b) $f(A \cap B) = f(A) \cap f(B)$ for all subsets A and B of S .
 - (c) $f^{-1}[f(A)] = A$ for every subset A of S .
 - (d) If $A \subset S$, $B \subset S$, and $A \cap B = \emptyset$, then $f(A) \cap f(B) = \emptyset$.
 - (e) If $A \subset S$, $B \subset S$, and $A \subset B$, then $f(B - A) = f(B) - f(A)$.
9. Suppose that A is countable. Prove that if B is uncountable, then $B - A$ is uncountable.
10. Prove that every uncountable set contains a countably infinite subset.