

Elementary Algebra and Analysis.

Prop 1.17 Continued: Part (c): If $t \in f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}\right)$ then, by definition, $f(t) \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}$, so $f(t)$ belongs to at least one E_{α} ($\alpha \in I$) say E_{α_0} .

Thus, $t \in f^{-1}(E_{\alpha_0})$ and hence $t \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(E_{\alpha})$. $\therefore f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}\right)$ is a subset of $\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(E_{\alpha})$. Conversely, if $t \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(E_{\alpha})$ then $t \in f^{-1}(E_{\alpha_0})$ for some α_0 in the index set I . Hence $f(t) \in E_{\alpha_0}$ and so $f(t) \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}$. Thus $t \in f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}\right)$. Hence $\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(E_{\alpha})$ is also a subset of $f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}\right)$ so, we have: $f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}\right) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(E_{\alpha})$. Finally, let us prove that $f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}\right) = \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(E_{\alpha})$. Now, if

$t \in f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}\right)$ then $f(t)$ lies in $\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}$ and so $f(t) \in E_{\alpha} \forall \alpha \in I$. Hence $t \in f^{-1}(E_{\alpha}) \forall \alpha \in I$, so, $t \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(E_{\alpha})$. Thus, the inclusion $f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}\right) \subseteq \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(E_{\alpha})$ holds. Conversely, if $t \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(E_{\alpha})$ then $t \in f^{-1}(E_{\alpha}) \forall \alpha \in I$. Hence $f(t) \in E_{\alpha} \forall \alpha \in I$. So, $f(t) \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}$. Hence $t \in f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}\right)$. So, the reverse inclusion $\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(E_{\alpha}) \subseteq f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}\right)$ holds. $\therefore f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} E_{\alpha}\right) = \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(E_{\alpha})$ holds. The proof

of (c) is complete.

Exercises: 1. Let f be given by the set $A = \{(-1, 0), (2, 1), (1, 1), (3, 4), (-4, 2)\}$. Is f a function from $X = \{-1, 2, 1, 3, -4\}$ into $Y = \{0, 1, 4, 2, 3\}$? If it is a function, is it (i) injective? (ii) surjective? (iii) Does it have an inverse? Find (a) $f(E)$ where $E = \{2, 1, 3\}$ (b) $f^{-1}(W)$ where $W = \{1, 3\}$, and (c) $f^{-1}(V)$ where $V = \{0, 1, 2\}$. 2. Does the set $A = \{(2, 1), (1, 1), (3, 4), (-4, 2)\}$ define a function f from $X = \{-1, 2, 1, 3, -4\}$ into $Y = \{0, 1, 4, 2, 3\}$? Give reasons for your answer. 3. Prove that $f(x) = x^3$, ($x \in \mathbb{R}$) from the set \mathbb{R} of all real numbers into \mathbb{R} is bijective with the inverse $f^{-1}(y) = \begin{cases} -|y|^{1/3} & \text{if } y < 0, \\ y^{1/3} & \text{if } y \geq 0 \end{cases}$.

Definition 1.18: Let X and Y be non-empty sets. We define the projection map p_x of $X \times Y$ on X to be the function whose value at each point (a, b) of $X \times Y$ is a . Similarly, the projection map p_y of $X \times Y$ on Y is the function whose value at each point (a, b) of $X \times Y$ is b .

Proposition 1.19: An injective mapping f from a finite set X into itself is also surjective.

Proof: If $a \in X$, we must find $b \in X$ such that $1.9.1: a = f(b)$. Consider the effect of performing f repeatedly. Let us write f^1 for f and generally abbreviate $f \circ f \circ \dots \circ f$ (i.e. f^n) to f^n . In the sequence: $a, f^1(a), f^2(a), \dots, f^i(a), \dots$ ($i \geq 0$) of elements of X , there must be repetitions of f is injective and X is finite, so assume that $1.9.2: f^r(a) = f^m(a)$ where $r > m$. Since f is injective for $x, y \in X$, $f(x) = f(y)$ implies $x = y$, so we may cancel f in 1.9.2. If we do this m times, we get $1.9.3: f^{r-m}(a) = a$. Thus 1.9.1 holds with b as $f^{r-m-1}(a)$. This proves prop 1.19.

Definition 2.1: By a relation on a non-empty set X , we mean a correspondence of X with itself; that is, a function P from X into X . We say that P is (i) reflexive if every $x \in X$, $(x, x) \in P$, that is x is related to x by P (written also as xPx), (ii) symmetric if for all points u, v of X , uPv implies vPu (i.e. $(u, v) \in P$ implies $(v, u) \in P$), (iii) transitive if for all points u, v, w of X uPv and vPw implies uPw . Note: $(s, t) \in P$ means s is related to t under the relation P . In symbols, sPt .

Definition 2.2: By an equivalence relation on a given non-empty set X , we mean a relation P on X which is reflexive, symmetric and transitive. Theorem 2.3: Every equivalence relation P on a non-empty set X partitions the points of X into distinct (i.e. disjoint) classes (called equivalence classes) A_i 's, and every partition

(or division) $\{A_\alpha\}$ of A into disjoint subsets gives rise to an equivalence relation.

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Proof: First Part. For any $x \in A$, group together all the elements equivalent to x into an equivalence class A_x , that is, we put 2.3.1: $A_x = \{y \in A : xpy\}$. Since P is reflexive, $x \in A_x$. We claim that any two sets A_x, A_y either are disjoint or coincide. Suppose that A_x and A_y are not disjoint: we must prove that $A_x = A_y$. Since $A_x \cap A_y$ is not empty, P is transitive. Now, if $t \in A_y$ then xpt , hence xpt (as P is transitive). Thus $t \in A_x$. $\therefore A_y \subset A_x$. Interchanging the roles played by A_x and A_y , we have the reverse inclusion: $A_x \subset A_y$. So, $A_x = A_y$. Thus the different blocks A_x provide a division of A into non-empty subsets, any two of which are disjoint.

Second Part: Let $\{A_x\}$ be a partition of A into disjoint subsets. Now, each point x of A lies in just one A_x , since A_x 's are disjoint. Define P by xpy if, and only if, x and y lie in the same A_x . Then xpx for each $x \in A$, since every $x \in A$ belongs to only one A_x . Now, if x, y are in A and xpy then by definition of P , y and x belong to A_{x_0} for some x_0 , hence ypx . Finally, if x, y, z are in A , and xpy and ypz then x and y are in the same set, say A_{x_0} and both y and z are in the same set, say A_{z_0} . Since $y \in A_{x_0} \cap A_{z_0}$, we must have that $A_{x_0} = A_{z_0}$. So, x and z lie in the same set, hence xpz . $\therefore P$ is an equivalence relation.

Def 2.4: 1. A relation P between the elements of a non-empty set A is said to be an ordering of A (or, an order in A) if it is reflexive, transitive, and satisfies the antisymmetry law 2.4.1: for all points x, y of A , xpy and ypx imply $x = y$. 2. A set equipped with an ordering is called an ordered set. 3. An ordering P of a given non-empty set A is said to be (or, is called) a linear ordering if 2.4.2: for all points x, y of A either xpy or ypx holds. 4. A set equipped with a relation P that is reflexive and transitive is called a preordered set.

Exercises: Which of the following relations is (i) transitive, (ii) an equivalence relation (iii) a preordering (iv) an ordering, (v) a linear ordering? (a) On \mathbb{Z} (the integers), xpy if, and only if, $x - y = 2q$ for some $q \in \mathbb{Z}$, (b) On $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} : n \geq 1\}$, xpy if and only if $x = my$ for some $m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, (c) On \mathbb{R} (the reals), xpy if and only if $x \leq y$, (d) On \mathbb{R} , xpy if and only if $x < y$, (e) On \mathcal{X} (the collection of all subsets of X), X a given non-empty set, $u \subset v$ if and only if u is a subset of v , (f) On \mathbb{Z} , xpy if and only if $x = y$ (g) On \mathbb{R} , xpy if and only if $x = y + z$ for some $z \in \mathbb{R}$.