1.1.7 Solution:

(a) Claim: $A_1 \cap A_2 = \{6k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}.$

Proof: Since $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, A_n = \{(n+1)k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$, we have $A_1 = \{2k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ and $A_2 = \{3k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$. So $\forall x \in A_1 \cap A_2, \exists k_1, k_2 \text{ that } x = 2k_1 = 3k_2, \text{ so } 2|x \Rightarrow 2|3k_2 \Rightarrow 2|k_2 \Rightarrow \exists k_3 \text{ that } k_2 = 2k_3, \text{ so } x = 6k_3, k \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ which means } A_1 \cap A_2 \subseteq \{6k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}.$

On the other hand, $\forall x \in \{6k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}, \exists k_0 \text{ that } x = 6k_0, \text{ so naturally,}$ we have $k_1 = 3k_0, k_2 = 2k_1 \text{ that } x = 2k_1 = 3k_2, \text{ so } \{6k : k \in \mathbb{N}\} \subseteq A_1 \cap A_2.$ As a result, $A_1 \cap A_2 = \{6k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}.$

(b) $\bigcup \{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \mathbb{N} - \{1\}, \bigcap \{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \emptyset.$

1.1.10 Solution:

(a) Since $E := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 1 \le x \le 2\}, x^2 \in [1, 4], \text{ so } f(E) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 1/4 \le x \le 1\}.$

(b) Since $G := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 1 \le x \le 4\}, f^{-1}(G) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 1/2 \le x \le 1\}$

1.1.14 Solution: Proof: Prove $f(E \cup F) = f(E) \cup f(F)$ first.

 $\forall x \in E \cup F, x \in E \text{ or } x \in F, \text{ so } f(x) \in f(E) \text{ or } f(x) \in f(F).$ That is saying that $f(x) \in f(E) \cup f(F)$, so $f(E \cup F) = f(E) \cup f(F)$.

 $\forall f(x) \in f(E) \cup f(F)$, then $\exists x \in E \text{ or } x \in F$, which means $x \in E \cup F$, so $f(x) \in f(E \cup F)$. Thus, $f(E) \cup f(F) \subseteq f(E \cup F)$.

As a result, $f(E \cup F) = f(E) \cup f(F)$.

Then $\forall x \in E \cap F$, $x \in E$ and $x \in F$, so $f(x) \in f(E)$ and $f(x) \in f(F)$ which means $f(x) \in f(E) \cap f(F)$.

As a result, $f(E \cap F) \subseteq f(E) \cap f(F)$.

1.1.16 Solution: Proof: $\forall x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, if $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$, $x_1/\sqrt{x_1^2 + 1} \neq x_2/\sqrt{x_2^2 + 1} \Rightarrow x_1\sqrt{x_2^2 + 1} \neq x_2\sqrt{x_1^2 + 1} \Rightarrow x_1^2x_2^2 + x_1^2 \neq x_1^2x_2^2 + x_2^2 \Rightarrow x_1^2 \neq x_2^2 \Rightarrow x_1 \neq x_2$, which proves that f is injective.

 $\forall y \in B, \ y = x/\sqrt{x^2+1} \Rightarrow y^2 = x^2/(x^2+1) \Rightarrow x^2(y^2-1) = -y^2 \Rightarrow x^2 = y^2/(1-y^2) \Rightarrow x = y/\sqrt{1-y^2} \text{ exists since } y \in B \text{ and } y^2 < 1 \text{ as a result.}$

So f is a bijection.

1.2.2 Solution: Proof:

Base case: when n = 1, $1^3 = 1 = [\frac{1}{2}1(1+1)]^2$. Suppose when n = k, we have

$$1^{3} + 2^{3} + \dots + k^{3} = \left[\frac{1}{2}k(k+1)\right]^{2}$$

Then when n = k + 1,

$$1^{3} + 2^{3} + \dots + k^{3} + (k+1)^{3} = \left[\frac{1}{2}k(k+1)\right]^{2} + (k+1)^{3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}k^{4} + \frac{1}{2}k^{3} + \frac{1}{4}k^{2} + k^{3} + 3k^{2} + 3k + 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}(k^{4} + 6k^{3} + 26k^{2} + 3k + 1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}(k+1)^{2}(k+2)^{2}$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{2}(k+2)(k+1)\right]^{2}$$

So by mathematical induction, we proved that $1^3+2^3+\cdot+n^3=[\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)]^2, \ \forall n\in\mathbb{N}.\blacksquare$

1.2.6 Solution: Proof:

Base case: when n = 1, $n^3 + 5n = 6$ which is divisible by 6.

Suppose that when n = k, we have $k^3 + 5k$ is divisible by 6. Then when n = k+1, $(k+1)^3 + 5(k+1) = k^3 + 3k^2 + 5k + 3k + 6 = (k^3 + 5k) + (3k^2 + 3k + 6) = 6(k_0 + 1) + 3k(k+1)$. Since one of k and k+1 have to be even, so 3k(k+1) is divisible by 6. Thus $(k+1)^3 + 5(k+1) = 6(k_0 + 1) + 3k(k+1)$ is divisible by 6.

As a result, $n^3 + 5n$ is divisible by 6 for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

1.2.13 Solution: Proof:

Base case: when $n = 1, 1 < 2^1 = 2$.

Suppose when n = k, we have $k < 2^k$. Then when n = k + 1, $k + 1 < 2^k + 1 < 2^k + 2^1 < 2^k + 2^k < 2^{k+1}$.

As a result, $n < 2^n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

1.3.2 Solution:

(b) Proof: Since |A| = m, |C| = 1 and $C \subset A$, $|A \cap C| = |C| = 1$, $|A/C| = |A| - |A \cap C| = m - 1$. ■

(c) Proof: Suppose C/B is a finite set, either |C/B|=0 or $n\in\mathbb{N}$ that |C/B|=n. Without generality, we can suppose $(B/C)=m(0\leq m\leq |B|)$. Then |C|=|B|-|B/C|+|C/B|=|B|-m+n, which means C is finite. That is not possible according to the condition given.

Thus, C/B is infinite.

1.3.4 Solution: Claim: Let $f: \mathbb{N} \to (13, \infty), f(x) = x + 13$, it is a bijection.

Proof: $\forall x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{N}, f(x_1) \neq f(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 + 13 \neq x_2 + 13 \Rightarrow x_1 \neq x_2$, which means f is injective.

And $\forall y \in (13, \infty), \exists x = y - 13 \in \mathbb{N} \text{ that } y = x + 13. \text{ So } f \text{ is surjective.}$ As a result, f is a bijection.

1.3.5 Solution:

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