

MATH 254 Assignment 1

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1a

WTS. $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$.

Proof. We can use a chain of equivalences. Suppose that both are not empty.

$$\begin{aligned} x \in A \cap (B \cup C) &\iff x \in A \wedge x \in (B \cup C) \\ &\iff x \in A \text{ and } (x \in B \text{ or } x \in C) \\ &\iff (x \in A \wedge x \in B) \text{ or } (x \in A \wedge x \in C) \\ &\iff x \in (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) \end{aligned}$$

Now suppose one of the two members are empty. Then if the other was not empty, it would imply that the original member was not empty. This means that the two sets must be equal.

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WTS. $(A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A) = (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$.

Proof. Define $W = (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A)$, then we will apply Q1a, and Theorem.

$$\begin{aligned} W^c &= (A^c \cup B) \cap (B^c \cup A) \\ &= ((A^c \cup B) \cap B^c) \cup ((A^c \cup B) \cap A) \\ &= (A^c \cap B^c) \cup (A \cap B) \\ &= (A \cup B)^c \cup (A \cap B) \\ &= [(A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)]^c \end{aligned}$$

Taking complements on both sides finishes the proof.

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WTS. $f := \{(x, y) \in [-1, +1] \times [-1, +1] : x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$ *is not*

Proof. f is not a function because $(0, 1) \in f$ and $(0, -1) \in f$, and

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WTS. f is a function.

Proof. Since $y \geq 0$, we can write $y = +\sqrt{1-x^2}$. Fix an $x \in$
there is a unique $y \in [0, 1]$ that satisfies the above. Also, for ever
 $|y| \leq 1$. Therefore f is a function.

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WTS. $f(f^{-1}([-4, -1] \cup [1, 4])) = [1, 4]$, where $f = x^{-2}$ for every $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$.

Proof. Write $W = f^{-1}([-4, -1] \cup [1, 4])$, and because the inverse image preserves intersections and unions by Q5, and $[-4, -1] \cap \{f(x) : x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}\} = \emptyset$, then $f^{-1}([-4, -1]) = \emptyset$. Which means $W = f^{-1}[1, 4]$ and hence $f(W) = [1, 4]$, as $[1, 4] \subseteq \{f(x) : x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}\}$.

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WTS. $f^{-1}(f(1, 2)) = [-2, -1] \cup [1, 2]$. Where $f = x^{-2}$, for ev

Proof. The equality is obvious by inspection.

4cd

WTS. $f(f^{-1}B) = B$ if f is a surjection, and $f^{-1}(f(B)) =$ injection.

We split this problem into two parts. We begin with the first assumption $R = \{f(x) : x \in A\}$.

Lemma 0.1. *For every function $f : X \rightarrow Y$, $f(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq B$.*

Proof. Use Q5a) onto the disjoint sets $f^{-1}(B \cap R)$ and $f^{-1}(B \cap R^c)$.

$$f^{-1}(B) = f^{-1}(B \cap R) \cup f^{-1}(B \cap R^c)$$

Now $f^{-1}(B \cap R^c)$ must be empty, since no $x \in A$ satisfies $f(x) \in B \cap R^c$. Hence $f^{-1}(B) = f^{-1}(B \cap R)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(f^{-1}(B)) &= f(f^{-1}(B \cap R) \cup f^{-1}(B \cap R^c)) \\ &= f(f^{-1}(B \cap R)) \cup f(f^{-1}(B \cap R^c)) \\ &= f(f^{-1}(B \cap R)) \\ &= \{f(x) : x \in f^{-1}(B \cap R)\} \\ &= \{y : y \in (B \cap R)\} \\ &= B \cap R \end{aligned}$$

Where for the second last equality we used the fact that f is
jection onto its range. Then $f(f^{-1}(B)) = B \cap R \subseteq B$.

Remark. If f is a surjection, then its range $R = Y$, then $B \cap Y = B$.

Lemma 0.2. *For every function $f : X \rightarrow Y$, $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A))$.*

Proof. Write $f^{-1}(f(A))$ as the disjoint union of $A \cap f^{-1}(f(A))$ and $f^{-1}(f(A)) \setminus A$. Then, we shall show that $f^{-1}(f(A)) = A$. For eve:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) \in f(A) \wedge x \in A &\iff x \in f^{-1}(f(A)) \wedge x \in A \\ &\iff x \in A \cap (f^{-1}(f(A))) \end{aligned}$$

Hence $A \cap f^{-1}(f(A)) = A$, and $A \subseteq f^{-1}(f(A))$

Remark. If f is a injection, then for every $x \in A^c$, $f(x) \notin f(A)$, and $A^c \cap f^{-1}(f(A)) = \emptyset$, and

$$f^{-1}(f(A)) = [A \cap f^{-1}(f(A))] \cup [A^c \cap f^{-1}(f(A))] =$$

5a

WTS. $f : A \rightarrow B$ is a function, and $A_1, A_2 \subseteq A$ and B_1, B_2 that $f^{-1}(B_1 \cup B_2) = f^{-1}(B_1) \cup f^{-1}(B_2)$.

Proof. Fix two subsets $B_1, B_2 \subseteq B$, then

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(B_1 \cup B_2) &= \{x \in A, f(x) \in B_1 \cup B_2\} \\ &= \{x \in A, f(x) \in B_1 \text{ or } f(x) \in B_2\} \\ &= \{x \in f^{-1}(B_1) \text{ or } x \in f^{-1}(B_2)\} \\ &= f^{-1}(B_1) \cup f^{-1}(B_2) \end{aligned}$$

5b

WTS. $f : A \rightarrow B$ is a function, and $A_1, A_2 \subseteq A$ and B_1, B_2 that $f(A_1 \cup A_2) = f(A_1) \cup f(A_2)$.

Proof. For any two sets $A_1, A_2 \subseteq A$,

$$\begin{aligned} f(A_1 \cup A_2) &= \{f(x) : x \in A_1 \cup A_2\} \\ &= \{f(x) : x \in A_1 \text{ or } x \in A_2\} \\ &= \{f(x) : x \in A_1 \text{ or } f(x) : x \in A_2\} \\ &= f(A_1) \cup f(A_2) \end{aligned}$$

5c

WTS. $f : A \rightarrow B$ is a function, and $A_1, A_2 \subseteq A$ and B_1, B_2 that $f^{-1}(B_1 \setminus B_2) = f^{-1}(B_1) \setminus f^{-1}(B_2)$.

Proof.

Lemma 0.3. f^{-1} preserves complements.

Proof. For every $E \subseteq B$,

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(B \setminus E) &= \{x \in A : f(x) \in B \setminus E\} \\ &= \{x \in A, f(x) \in E^c\} \\ &= A \setminus f^{-1}(E) \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 0.4. f^{-1} preserves intersections.

Proof. Now we wish to prove that f^{-1} preserves intersection: every pair of subsets, $B_1, B_2 \subseteq B$. Write their intersection as $B_1 \cap B_2$, apply Q5a, and take complements.

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}((B_1^c \cup B_2^c)^c) &= (f^{-1}(B_1^c) \cup f^{-1}(B_2^c))^c \\ &= f^{-1}(B_1) \cap f^{-1}(B_2) \end{aligned}$$

To prove the assertion in Q5c, write $B_1 \setminus B_2 = B_1 \cap B_2^c$, and use the two Lemmas.

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WTS. *Provide an example such that $f(A_1 \setminus A_2) \neq f(A_1) \setminus f(A_2)$ condition on f that implies $f(A_1 \setminus A_2) = f(A_1) \setminus f(A_2)$.*

We begin our answer with the example. Suppose $f \in L^{p*}$, with every element to 0. Take two subsets of $A \subseteq L^p$, $A_1 = \{g_1\}$; Then $f(A_1) \setminus f(A_2) = \emptyset$, but $A_1 \setminus A_2 = A_1$, and $f(A_1 \setminus A_2) =$

The condition we want to impose on f is that it must be an will prove that it satisfies the assertion.

Proof.

Lemma 0.5. *The direct image is monotonic. For every $E_1 \subseteq f(E_1) \subseteq f(E_2) \subseteq B$.*

Proof. Apply Q5b) to sets $E_2 = (E_2 \setminus E_1) \cup (E_2 \cap E_1)$, then $f(E_1) \cup f(E_2 \cap E_1)$ implies that $f(E_1) \subseteq f(E_2)$.

Lemma 0.6. *For every pair of subsets, $E_1, E_2 \subseteq A$, then $f(E_1 \setminus E_2) = f(E_1) \setminus f(E_2)$.*

Proof. If the left member is empty, then it is trivial. If not, then $y \in f(E_1) \setminus f(E_2)$, then $y \in f(E_1)$ and $y \in f(E_2)^c$.

This is equivalent to saying that there exists a $x_1 \in E_1$ such that $f(x_1) = y$ and for every $x_2 \in E_2$, $f(x_2) \neq y$, and therefore x_1 is not in E_2 since f is a function. It follows that $x_1 \in E_1 \setminus E_2$, and $f(x_1) = y$. Since y is arbitrary, we are done.

Suppose f is an injection, then for every $x \neq p \in A$ implies that $f(x) \neq f(p)$. We wish to prove the reverse estimate in the second Lemma. If $y \in f(E_1 \setminus E_2)$, then this y induces an $x \in E_1 \setminus E_2$. Since $(E_1 \setminus E_2)$ and E_2 are disjoint, for every $p \in E_2$, $x \neq p$ yields $f(x) \neq f(p)$ and $f(x) = y \in f(E_2)^c$. But this y is also a member of $f(E_1)$ by Lemma, if we simply take $E_1 \setminus E_2 \subseteq E_1 \subseteq A$. Therefore $y \in f(E_1) \setminus f(E_2)$. This completes the proof.

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WTS. Show that $f(x) = x/(|x| + 1)$ is a bijection from \mathbb{R} to $(-1, 1)$.

Proof. We begin with an important Lemma.

Lemma 0.7. For any $f : X \rightarrow Y$, if $A \subseteq X$ such that $f = f|_A \cup f|_{A^c}$, Y is the disjoint union of $f|_A(A)$ and $f|_{A^c}(A^c)$, and the restrictions $f|_A$ and $f|_{A^c}$ are bijections onto their direct images, then f is a bijection.

Proof. To prove injectivity, suppose we have $x_1 \neq x_2$, where $x_1, x_2 \in X$. If both x_1 and x_2 belong to the same A or A^c , then the trivial case of them both belonging to the same A or A^c is covered. Without loss of generality, suppose $x_1 \in A$ and $x_2 \in A^c$. Then by assumption, $f(x_1) = f|_A(x_1) \in f|_A(A)$ which implies that $f(x_1)$ is not in $f|_{A^c}(A^c)$, so $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2)$.

Now to show surjectivity, simply take any $y \in Y$, and either $y \in f|_A(A)$ or $y \in f|_{A^c}(A^c)$, and since the two restrictions of f onto the two sets are bijections, there exists a corresponding $x \in X$ which will satisfy. This completes the proof.

Now we want to prove the original assertion. To use the lemma, we need to show $[-1, 1] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. We will satisfy the assumptions of the Lemma. For $x \in A$, $f(x) = 1 - 1/(x + 1)$. Injectivity is obvious at first glance. We will claim that $f|_A(A) = [0, 1)$. To show that $f|_A(A) \subseteq [0, 1)$, notice

$$f|_A = 1 - \frac{1}{x+1} \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in [0, +\infty)$$

$$f|_A \geq 1 \implies 1 - \frac{1}{x+1} \geq 1 \implies x \leq -1 \implies x \in A^c$$

Then $f|_A(A) \subseteq [0, 1)$ as required. Now to show the converse $[0, 1) \subseteq f|_A(A)$, then there exists an $x = (1 - y)^{-1} - 1 \in A$. Thus we have $f|_A$ is a bijection onto its direct image.

Next for $f|_{A^c}(x) = -1 + 1/(1 - x)$ for any $x \in A^c$. It is trivial to see that $f|_{A^c}$ is an injection. So, fix any $y \in (-1, 0)$ and there exists an $x = 1 - (y + 1)^{-1} \in A^c$. Hence $(-1, 0) \subseteq f|_{A^c}(A^c)$. To show that $f|_{A^c}(A^c) \subseteq (-1, 0)$ will proceed by contradiction. So suppose there exists an $x \in A^c$ such that $f|_{A^c}(x) \geq 0$, which means that $f|_{A^c}(x) \in A$, then a cool way to

contradiction this would be to plug $y = f|_{A^c}(x)$ into $f|_A(y) \in$
we have

$$\begin{aligned} f|_A(y) &= y/(y+1) \\ &= \frac{x/(1-x)}{x/(1-x)+1} \\ &= x \in [0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

But $x \in A^c$ by assumption, so we have a contradiction. Suppose
exists an $x \in A^c$ such that $f|_{A^c}(x) \leq 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x}{1-x} &\leq 1 \\ -x/(1-x) &\geq 1 \\ 1 - 1/(1-x) &\geq 1 \\ 1/(1-x) &\leq 0 \\ 1 &\leq x \end{aligned}$$

And the contradiction establishes the bijection. Since $f|_A(A)$
 $f|_{A^c}(A^c) = (-1, 0)$. $Y = (-1, 1)$ is the disjoint union of these
can finally apply the Lemma, and the proof is complete.

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WTS. *Show that*

$$f(x) = (x + 1)(m/2) + a$$

induces a bijection from $(-1, 1) \rightarrow (a, b)$ for every $m = b - a >$

Proof. Since $m \neq 0$, f is obviously injective. And for every y can easily find an

$$x = (y - a)(2/m) + (-1) \in (-1, 1)$$

To show that $f \in (a, b)$, we can attempt the contrapositive. f implies $|x| \geq 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - (a + b)/2| &\geq m/2 \\ |(x + 1)(m/2) + 2a/2 - (a + b)/2| &\geq m/2 \\ |(x + 1)m + 2a - a - b| &\geq m \\ |x| &\geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

This establishes the bijection.