

## Exam 3 Prep

1. Define  $t : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $t(x, y) = x + y$ .
  - i. What is the range of  $t$ ?
  - ii. Is  $t$  onto? Why/Why not?
  - iii. What is the pre-image of zero?
  - iv. What is the pre-image of 1?
  - v. Is  $t$  one-to-one? Why/Why not?
  - vi. If  $t$  is not one-to-one, please change the domain of  $t$  to a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  so that  $t$  restricted to this new subset is one-to-one AND has the same range as  $t$ .

**Solution:**

- i. The range of  $t$  is all of  $\mathbb{R}$ . For  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $(s, 0)$  maps to  $s$ .
  - ii. Function  $t$  is onto as shown in part (i) above.
  - iii. The pre-image of zero is  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x + y = 0\}$ . This is the line  $y = -x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
  - iv. The pre-image of one is  $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x + y = 1\}$ . This is the line  $y = -x + 1$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
  - v. Function  $t$  is not injective as  $(0, 1)$  and  $(-1, 2)$  both map to 1, for example. (in fact an entire line of points maps to 1 as noted before)
  - vi. If we restrict  $t$  to the line  $y = x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  we get the desired properties. For suppose  $t(x_1, x_1) = t(x_2, x_2)$  for some pair of points  $(x_1, x_1)$  and  $(x_2, x_2)$  on  $y = x$ . Then we get  $2x_1 = 2x_2$  so  $x_1 = x_2$ . This shows  $t$  is injective on this line. And an arbitrary point  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  is mapped to by  $(s/2, s/2)$ , so  $t$  is still surjective.
2. Use set builder notation to write the set of all natural numbers that leave a remainder of 3 when divided by 5. **Solution:**  $\{n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : n = 3 \pmod{5}\}$
  3. Is the following statement true? Please prove or give a counterexample.

$$"A \subseteq C \text{ if and only if } A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap C"$$

**Solution:** The statement is true.

Proof:

$(\Rightarrow)$  Suppose  $A \subseteq C$ . We now element chase to show  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap C$ .

$(\subseteq)$  Let  $x \in A \cup (B \cap C)$ . So  $x \in A$  or  $x \in B \cap C$ . If  $x \in A$  then  $x \in C$ . So  $x \in A \cup B$  and  $x \in C$ . So  $x \in (A \cup B) \cap C$  as needed. Now if  $x \in B \cap C$  then  $x \in B$ . This means  $x \in A \cup B$  and  $x \in C$ . So  $x \in (A \cup B) \cap C$  once more.

$(\supseteq)$  Let  $x \in (A \cup B) \cap C$ . Then  $x \in A \cup B$  and  $x \in C$ . Suppose  $x \in A$ . Then we are done as  $x \in A \cup (B \cap C)$ . Now suppose  $x \in B$ . Since  $x \in C$  as well we get  $x \in B \cap C$ . Thus  $x \in A \cup (B \cap C)$  as needed.

$(\Leftarrow)$  We argue directly. Suppose  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap C$ . Now let  $x \in A$ . We need to element chase  $x$  into  $C$  to conclude  $A \subseteq C$ . Now since  $x \in A$  we know  $x \in A \cup (B \cap C)$ . Also, since  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap C$  we can conclude  $x \in (A \cup B) \cap C$ . However for this to be true  $x$  must be in both  $A \cup B$  and  $C$ . Since we have shown  $x \in C$  the proof is complete.

QED.

4. Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function, and let  $C \subseteq D \subseteq B$ . Define the pre-image, or inverse image,  $f^{-1}(E)$  of some subset  $E \subseteq B$  as

$$f^{-1}(E) = \{x \in A \mid f(x) \in E\}$$

Use element chasing to show that  $f^{-1}(C) \subseteq f^{-1}(D)$ .

**Solution:** How fun!

Proof: We element chase. Let  $x \in f^{-1}(C)$ . Then  $f(x) \in C$ . Now  $C \subseteq D$  so  $f(x) \in D$ . This means  $x \in f^{-1}(D)$  and we are done. QED.

5. Let  $A$  be a nonempty set. Suppose  $g : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an injective function. Define a relation  $\sim$  on  $A$  in the following way. For  $a, b \in A$ ,

$$a \sim b \text{ if and only if } g(a) \leq g(b)$$

- a. Please prove, or disprove by giving a counterexample, that  $\sim$  is reflexive.
- b. Please prove, or disprove by giving a counterexample, that  $\sim$  is symmetric.
- c. Please prove, or disprove by giving a counterexample, that  $\sim$  is transitive.

**Solution:**

- a. We show  $\sim$  is reflexive.

Proof: Let  $a \in A$ . Then  $g(a) = g(a)$  so  $g(a) \leq g(a)$  is true. Thus  $a \sim a$ . QED

- b. We show  $\sim$  is not always symmetric.

Counterexample: If  $A$  contains more than one distinct element and those elements are related this fails. Take  $a, b \in A$  with  $a \neq b$  and assume  $a \sim b$ . Because  $g$  is injective  $g(a) \neq g(b)$  so we have  $g(a) < g(b)$ . Then it is not the case that  $g(b) \leq g(a)$ . So  $b \not\sim a$ .

- c. We show  $\sim$  is transitive.

Proof: Suppose  $a, b, c \in A$ ,  $a \sim b$  and  $b \sim c$ . Then  $g(a) \leq g(b)$  and  $g(b) \leq g(c)$ . By transitivity of inequality,  $g(a) \leq g(c)$ . So  $a \sim c$  as needed.

6. Let  $F : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  be a function given by  $F(n) = \{m \in \mathbb{N} : m \mid n\}$ .

- a. Please compute  $F(10)$ .
- b. Please determine whether or not  $F$  is one-to-one. Justify your conclusion with a proof or counterexample.
- c. Please determine whether or not  $F$  is onto. Justify your conclusion with a proof or counterexample.

**Solution:**

- a.  $F(10) = \{1, 2, 5, 10\}$ .

- b. Function  $F$  is injective.

Proof: Suppose  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $F(n) = F(m)$ . We note that the largest element of  $F(n)$  is  $n$  and the largest element of  $F(m)$  is  $m$ . Since  $F(n) = F(m)$  these largest elements must be the same number so  $n = m$ . QED.

- c. This function is not surjective. Observe that every natural number is divisible by 1 and itself. So the empty set, an element of  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ , is not in the image of  $F$ .