

**Exercises:** (§2 and §3)

1. Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a function.
  - (a) For  $A_0 \subset A$  and  $B_0 \subset B$ , show that  $A_0 \subset f^{-1}(f(A_0))$  and  $f(f^{-1}(B_0)) \subset B_0$ .
  - (b) Show that  $f$  is injective if and only if  $A_0 = f^{-1}(f(A_0))$  for all subsets  $A_0 \subset A$ .
  - (c) Show that  $f$  is surjective if and only if  $f(f^{-1}(B_0)) = B_0$  for all subsets  $B_0 \subset B$ .
2. Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a function,  $A_j \subset A$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and  $B_j \subset B$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Prove the following:
  - (a)  $A' \subset A_0 \implies f(A') \subset f(A_0)$
  - (b)  $B' \subset B_0 \implies f^{-1}(B') \subset f^{-1}(B_0)$
  - (c)  $f(\cup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} A_j) = \cup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} f(A_j)$
  - (d)  $f^{-1}(\cup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} B_j) = \cup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} f^{-1}(B_j)$
  - (e)  $f(\cap_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} A_j) \subset \cap_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} f(A_j)$ , where equality holds if  $f$  is injective.
  - (f)  $f^{-1}(\cap_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} B_j) = \cap_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} f^{-1}(B_j)$  always
3. Let  $C$  be a relation on a set  $A$ . For a subset  $A_0 \subset A$ , the **restriction** of  $C$  to  $A_0$  is the relation defined by the subset  $D := C \cap (A_0 \times A_0)$ .
  - (a) For  $a, b \in A$ , show that  $aDb$  if and only if  $a, b \in A_0$  and  $aCb$ .
  - (b) Show that if  $C$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ , then  $D$  is an equivalence relation on  $A_0$ .
  - (c) Show that if  $C$  is an order relation on  $A$ , then  $D$  is an order relation on  $A_0$ .
  - (d) Show that if  $C$  is a partial order relation on  $A$ , then  $D$  is a partial order relation on  $A_0$ .
4. Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be onto. Define a relation on  $A$  by setting  $a \sim a'$  if  $f(a) = f(a')$ . Show that  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation. Furthermore, show that there is a bijection between the equivalence classes of  $\sim$  and  $B$ .
5. We say two sets  $A$  and  $B$  have the same **cardinality** if there is a bijection of  $A$  with  $B$ . In this exercise, you will prove the *Schröder–Bernstein Theorem*: if there exist injections  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow A$ , then  $A$  and  $B$  have the same cardinality.
  - (a) Suppose  $C \subset A$  and that there is an injection  $f: A \rightarrow C$ . Define  $A_1 := A$ ,  $C_1 := C$ , and for  $n > 1$  recursively define  $A_n := f(A_{n-1})$  and  $C_n := f(C_{n-1})$ . Show that
 
$$A_1 \supset C_1 \supset A_2 \supset C_2 \supset A_3 \supset \cdots$$
 and that  $f(A_n \setminus C_n) = A_{n+1} \setminus C_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
  - (b) Using the notation from the previous part, show that  $h: A \rightarrow C$  defined by
 
$$h(x) := \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } x \in A_n \setminus C_n \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N} \\ x & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 is a bijection. [**Hint:** draw a picture.]
  - (c) Prove the Schröder–Bernstein Theorem.