

Math 74 Homework 8  
Due Monday, October 21st

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1. Let  $X$  be a set (not necessarily finite!). Show that if there exists a surjection  $f : X \rightarrow \text{Func}(X, X)$ , then  $|X| = 1$ .
2. Let  $I$  be a set, and suppose that for each  $i \in I$  we are given a set  $X_i$ . Define

$$\bigcup_{i \in I} X_i := \{x \mid \exists i \in I \text{ such that } x \in X_i\},$$

and similarly, define

$$\bigcap_{i \in I} X_i := \{x \mid x \in X_i \text{ for all } i \in I\}.$$

Let  $Y$  be another set. Prove the infinite distributive laws:

- (a) Show that  $(\bigcup_{i \in I} X_i) \cap Y = \bigcup_{i \in I} (X_i \cap Y)$ , and
  - (b) show that  $(\bigcap_{i \in I} X_i) \cup Y = \bigcap_{i \in I} (X_i \cup Y)$ .
3. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $X_n$  be a countable set. Show that  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} X_n$  is countable. (This is an extremely useful fact, often phrased as “a countable union of countable sets is countable.”)
  4. Let  $R$  be the relation on  $\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$  given by  $nRm$  if  $n$  divides  $m$ . Show that  $R$  is a partial order relation. Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ . Describe the least upper bound and greatest lower bound of  $\{n, m\}$  with respect to  $R$ .
  5. Let  $X$  be a set, and consider the partial order relation  $\subseteq$  on  $P(X)$ . Let  $Y \subseteq P(X)$  be a subset of  $P(X)$ . Show that  $\bigcup_{A \in Y} A$  is an upper bound for  $Y$  and  $\bigcap_{A \in Y} A$  is a lower bound for  $Y$  with respect to  $\subseteq$ .  
[Note: again,  $\bigcup_{A \in Y} A$  means  $\{x \in X \mid x \in A \text{ for some } A \in Y\}$ , etc.]

6. Give an example of a relation on  $\mathbb{N}$  which is nonempty and:
- (a) Reflexive, but not transitive.
  - (b) Transitive, but not reflexive.