

PMAT 501/601 L01 Winter 2009

Assignment 1

Questions taken from the text by D. Cohn will be specified by page and number. Due Feb. 4, 2009.

1. In the category \mathcal{S} of sets and functions, show
 - (a) $f : A \rightarrow B$ has a left (post) inverse iff f is injective,
 - (b) $g : B \rightarrow C$ has a right (pre) inverse iff g is surjective.
2. Prove that a linearly ordered set $(X, <)$ has the property that every non-empty subset $A \subseteq X$ with an upper bound has a least upper bound, iff it has the property that every non-empty subset $B \subseteq X$ with a lower bound has a greatest lower bound.
3. Find the cardinality of the set of all continuous functions $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.
[Hint : Explain why the restriction map $\text{hom}_{Top}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \text{hom}_{Top}(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R})$ is injective, then follow this by the inclusion map $\text{hom}_{Top}(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}) \hookrightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Q}}$.]
4. p.7 - 1
5. p.7 - 4
6. p.7 - 5
7. p.7 - 8 [It will suffice to solve this question with \mathbb{N} replaced by any finite set X , the question for \mathbb{N} appears much more difficult.]