



INTRO TO ABSTRACT MATH  
FALL 2009

HOMEWORK 15  
DUE OCTOBER 12

**Exercise 42.** Let  $S \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$  be a partition of  $A$ . Let  $\sim = \{(x, y) \mid (\exists X \in S)(x, y \in X)\} \subseteq A^2$ . Show that  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ .

**Exercise 43.** Recall the equivalence relation  $\equiv_2 = \{(a, b) \mid 2 \text{ divides } a - b\}$  on  $\mathbb{Z}$  of Exercise 41.

a. Show that  $\mathbb{Z}/\equiv_2 = \{[0], [1]\}$ .

b. Let  $X_1 = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n \text{ is odd}\}$  and  $X_2 = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n \text{ is even}\}$ . Show that the partition  $\{X_1, X_2\}$  of  $\mathbb{Z}$  is the same as the set  $\mathbb{Z}/\equiv_2$ .