Duke Math 431 Spring 2015

Homework 1

Due Friday, January 16 at the beginning of class

Reading.

Sections 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3.

Problems.

Section 1.1: #2, 3, 4, 10, 11.

Section 1.2: #1(d,e), 3, 8.

For #1(d), there's hardly any work to show. For example, a perfectly good answer to (b) would be $S \cap T = (1, 2) \cap [-2, 2] = (1, 2)$.

For #3, it suffices to show $x \in A \cap (B \cup C)$ if and only if $x \in (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$. For #8, it helps to let $p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \ldots + a_1 x + a_0$ be an arbitrary polynomial and then write what I(p)(x) is.

Reflection. Please put on a separate piece of paper. Four sentences total is fine, else write more if you choose.

What's your (possible future) major/minor, or graduate program? What's your year? Why are you taking this class? ("It's required for my degree" is a sufficient answer.) What's your planned next step? IE next class, job, grad program, etc. What are some of your interests/hobbies?