

# Homework 10

Due: Friday Nov. 19, by 11:59pm,  
via Gradescope

- Failure to submit homework correctly will result in a zero on the homework.
- Homework must be in LaTeX. Submit the pdf file to Gradescope.
- Problems assigned from the textbook come from the 5th edition.
- No late homework accepted. Lateness due to technical issues will not be excused.

1. (27 points) Section 6.1 # 6, 15(b)(c), 18.

**Solution:**

# 6 (a). This is False.  $2 \in A$  (just set  $a = 0$ ). On the other hand, if  $2 = 10b - 3$  then  $10b = 5$  and no such integer  $b$  exists. Therefore  $2 \notin B$ .

# 6(b). This is true. Let's prove it.

**Proof:** Let  $x \in B$ . Then  $x = 10b - 3$  for some integer  $b$ . Now  $10b - 3 = 10b - 5 + 2 = 5(2b - 1) + 2$ . Therefore  $x = 5a + 2$  where  $a = 2b - 1$ , i.e.  $x \in A$ .

# 6(c). This is true. Let's prove it. Note that we NTS that  $B \subseteq C$  and  $C \subseteq B$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x \in B$ . Then  $x = 10b - 3$  for some integer  $b$ . Now  $10b - 3 = 10b - 10 + 7 = 10(b - 1) + 7$ . Therefore  $x = 10c + 7$  where  $c = b - 1$ , i.e.  $x \in C$ .

Let  $x \in C$ . Then  $x = 10c + 7$  for some integer  $c$ . Now  $10c + 7 = 10c + 10 - 3 = 10(c + 1) - 3$ . Therefore  $x = 10b - 3$  where  $b = c + 1$ , i.e.  $x \in B$   $\square$

#15. Come to office hours if you need help with the sketch of the Venn diagrams.

# 18 (a). No. Nothing belongs to the empty set.

# 18 (b). No. The right hand side is non-empty.

# 18 (c). Yes. The  $\emptyset$  is an object in  $\{\emptyset\}$ .

# 18 (d). No. No object belongs to the empty set.

2. (36 points) Section 6.1 # 25, 27.

**Solution:**

# 25(a). There is a typo in the textbook. The sets  $R_i$  are defined for  $i \geq 1$ . Notice that  $R_{i+1} \subseteq R_i$ . Therefore the answer here is  $[1, 2]$ .

# 25(b).  $[1, 5/4]$ .

# 25(c). No.  $R_1 \cap R_2 = R_2$ .

# 25(d). Because of the nesting, the answer is  $[1, 2]$ .

# 25(e).  $[1, 1/n]$ .

# 25(f).  $[1, 2]$ .

# 25(g).  $\{1\}$ .

# 27(a). No. This is because the sets  $a, d, e$  and  $d, f$  are not disjoint.

# 27(b). Yes.

# 27(c). No. The sets  $\{5, 4\}$  and  $\{1, 3, 4\}$  are not disjoint.

# 27(d). No. 6 does not belong to any of the given sets in the proposed partition.

# 27(e). Yes.

3. (15 points) Section 6.1 # 32, 33

**Solution:**

# 32(a) Note that  $A \times B = \{(1, u), (1, v)\}$ . Therefore

$$\mathcal{P}(A \times B) = \{\emptyset, \{(1, u)\}, \{(1, v)\}, A \times B\}$$

# 32(b). Here  $X \times Y = \{(1, x), (1, y), (2, x), (2, y)\}$ . The power set has 16 elements.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}(X \times Y) = & \{\emptyset, \{(1, x)\}, \{(1, y)\}, \{(2, x)\}, \{(2, y)\}, \{(1, x), (1, y)\}, \\ & \{(1, x), (2, y)\}, \{(2, x), (1, y)\}, \{(2, x), (2, y)\}, \\ & \{(1, x), (2, x)\}, \{(1, y), (2, y)\}, \{(1, x), (1, y), (2, x)\}, \\ & \{(1, x), (2, x), (2, y)\}, \{(1, y), (2, y), (1, x)\}, \\ & \{(1, y), (2, y), (2, x)\}, X \times Y\} \end{aligned}$$

# 33(a)  $\mathcal{P}(\emptyset) = \{\emptyset\}$

# 33(b)  $\mathcal{P}^2(\emptyset) = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$ .

# 33(c)  $\mathcal{P}^3(\emptyset) = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\{\emptyset\}\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$

4. (9 points) Section 6.2 # 6, 11, 15.

**Solution:**

# 6(a)  $(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

# 6(b)  $A$

# 6(c)  $C$

# 6(d)  $x \in (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

# 6(a) and

# 6(b) and

# 6(c)  $x \in A \cap (B \cup C)$

# 6(d) subset

# 11.

**Proof:** Let  $x \in A \cap (B - C)$ . Therefore  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B - C$ , i.e.  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$  and  $x \notin C$ . Since  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$  it follows that  $x \in A \cap B$ . Since  $x \notin C$ , it follows that  $x \notin A \cap C$ . Therefore  $x \in (A \cap B) - (A \cap C)$   $\square$

**Remark.** This proof is more in the spirit of Epp. You can however approach it using a Theorem 2.1.1. approach.

# 15.

**Proof:** Let  $x \in A \cup \emptyset$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}(x \in A) \vee (x \in \emptyset) \\ x \in A \vee \mathbf{c} \\ x \in A \text{ (Identity Law)}\end{aligned}$$

Let  $x \in A$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}x \in A \\ x \in A \vee \mathbf{c} \text{ (Identity Law)} \\ (x \in A) \vee (x \in \emptyset)\end{aligned}$$

$\square$

**Remark.** Regarding the second half of the proof. Note that we can substitute the contradiction  $\mathbf{c}$  with any false statement. I substituted with  $x \in \emptyset$

5. (6 points) Section 6.2 # 22, 35

# 22.

**Proof:** Let  $(a, b) \in A \times (B \cup C)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}a \in A \wedge (b \in B \vee b \in C) \\ (a \in A \wedge b \in B) \vee (a \in A \wedge b \in C) \text{ (Distribution)}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $(a, b) \in (A \times B) \cup (A \times C)$   $\square$

# 35. Let's do a contradiction proof. **Proof:** Suppose that  $A \cap C$  is non-empty. Then there is an element  $x \in A \wedge x \in C$ . Since  $A \subset B$  it follows that  $x \in B \wedge x \in C$ . Therefore  $B \cap C \neq \emptyset$  and this is a contradiction  $\square$

**Remark.** If you approached # 35 with a direct proof, note that the empty set is a subset of all sets, so all that we would need to show is  $A \cap C \subseteq \emptyset$ . However, what we see in the contradiction proof is that  $x \in A \cap C$  is a false statement, therefore  $A \cap C \subseteq \emptyset$  is vacuously true.

**Remark.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets. The set  $A \times B$  is called the Cartesian product of  $A$  and  $B$ . It is defined as

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) : a \in A \wedge b \in B\}$$

Note that the elements of  $A \times B$  are ordered pairs. That means that  $(a, b) = (c, d)$  if and only if  $(a = c) \wedge (b = d)$ . See page 12 in the textbook for additional info.