

**Due date: Friday, February 19, 2016 (before class).**

1. (8 pts) Prove or disprove the following statements:

- (a) For all positive integers  $n$ , if  $n$  is a perfect square then  $n + 3$  is not a perfect square. (Recall the definition of a *perfect square*: an integer  $n$  is a perfect square if and only if there exists an integer  $a$  such that  $a^2 = n$ .)

**Solution:** The claim is false.

Proof: Let  $n = 1$ . Then,  $n + 3 = 4$  and  $4 = 2^2$ . Therefore, 4 is a perfect square. Thus, the claim is false.

- (b) For every real number  $x$ , there is a nonzero real number  $y$  such that  $x \cdot y = x + y$ .

**Solution:** The claim is false.

Proof: Let  $x = 0$ . Then for any nonzero real number  $y$ , we have:  $x \cdot y = 0$  and  $x + y = y \neq 0$ . Thus, the claim is false.

- (c) There is a real number  $x$  such that for every integer  $n$  we have  $\frac{n}{x} > 0$ .

**Solution:** The claim is false.

Proof: Let  $x$  be any real number. Then, let  $n = 0$  and we have  $\frac{n}{x} = 0 \leq 0$  for any  $x$ . Thus, the claim is false.

- (d) The following statements are equivalent for all nonnegative integers  $a$  and  $b$ :

- $a < b$
- $(a + b)^2 < 4b^2$
- $4a^2 < (a + b)^2$

**Solution:** The claim is true.

Proof: First we show that  $a < b \rightarrow (a + b)^2 < 4b^2$ . Assume  $a < b$ . Then, consider  $(a + b)^2$ :

$$\begin{aligned}(a + b)^2 &= a^2 + 2ab + b^2 \\ &< b^2 + 2bb + b^2 \text{ (since } a < b \text{ and are nonnegative)} \\ &= 4b^2\end{aligned}$$

Thus we have shown the first result. Next, we show that  $(a + b)^2 < 4b^2 \rightarrow a < b$  by contrapositive. Assume that  $a \geq b$ . Then consider  $(a + b)^2$ :

$$\begin{aligned}(a + b)^2 &= a^2 + 2ab + b^2 \\ &\leq b^2 + 2bb + b^2 \text{ since } a \geq b \text{ and are nonnegative} \\ &= 4b^2\end{aligned}$$

Thus the contrapositive is true and thus we have shown the second result. Next, we show that  $a < b \rightarrow 4a^2 < (a+b)^2$ . Assume  $a < b$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}(a+b)^2 &= a^2 + 2ab + b^2 \text{ since } a < b \text{ and are nonnegative} \\ &> a^2 + 2aa + a^2 \\ &= 4a^2\end{aligned}$$

Thus we have shown the third result. Finally, we show that  $4a^2 < (a+b)^2 \rightarrow a < b$  by contrapositive. Assume that  $a \geq b$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}(a+b)^2 &= a^2 + 2ab + b^2 \\ &\geq a^2 + 2aa + a^2 \text{ since } a \geq b \text{ and are nonnegative} \\ &= 4a^2\end{aligned}$$

Thus we have shown the contrapositive and thus the final result is true. Thus, the three statements are equivalent.

2. (6 pts) List all the elements of the following sets:

(a)  $S = \{i \mid i \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge i^2 \leq 4\} = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$

(b)  $S = \{p \mid p \in \mathbb{Q}, 0 < p < 1, p \text{ is even}\} = \emptyset$

(c)  $S = \{x \mid x \in \mathbb{C}, x \text{ is a root of } x^4 - 1\} = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$  (where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ )

3. (10 pts) What are the cardinalities of the following sets?

(a)  $\emptyset$  Answer: 0

(b)  $\{\emptyset, 1\}$  Answer: 2

(c)  $\{1, 2, \{3, 4\}, \emptyset\}$  Answer: 4

(d)  $\{\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{N}\}$  Answer: 4

(e)  $\mathcal{P}(\emptyset)$  Answer: 1

4. (14 pts) Let  $A = \{1, 2, 4, 6, 7\}$  and  $B = \{3, 4, 5\}$ , and let our universe be  $U = \{n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}, 1 \leq n \leq 10\}$ .

(a) List the elements of  $A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$

(b) List the elements of  $A \cap \overline{B} = \{1, 2, 6, 7\}$

(c) List the elements of  $\overline{A} - B = \{8, 9, 10\}$

(d) List the elements of  $\overline{A} - (A \cup \overline{B}) = \{3, 5\}$

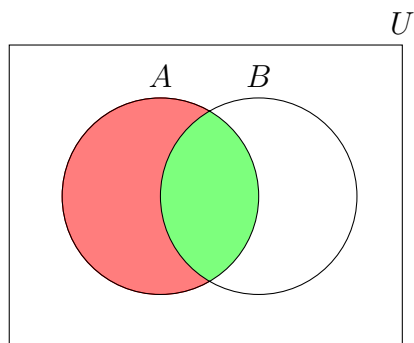
(e) List the elements of  $\mathcal{P}(B) = \{\emptyset, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{5\}, \{3, 4\}, \{3, 5\}, \{4, 5\}, \{3, 4, 5\}\}$

- (f) List the elements of  $A \times B =$   
 $\{(1, 3), (2, 3), (4, 3), (6, 3), (7, 3),$   
 $(1, 4), (2, 4), (4, 4), (6, 4), (7, 4),$   
 $(1, 5), (2, 5), (4, 5), (6, 5), (7, 5)\}$
- (g) List the elements of  $B \times A =$   
 $\{(3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 4), (3, 6), (3, 7)$   
 $(4, 1), (4, 2), (4, 4), (4, 6), (4, 7)$   
 $(5, 1), (5, 2), (5, 4), (5, 6), (5, 7)\}$

5. (8 pts) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets.

- (a) Use a venn diagram to show that  $A \cap B \subseteq A$ .

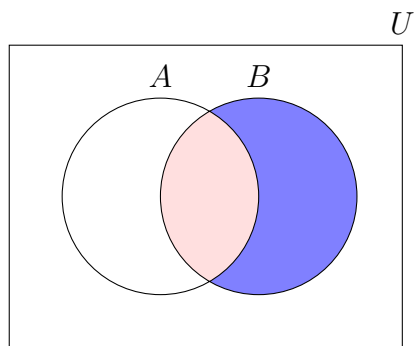
Solution: Red =  $A$ , Green =  $A \cap B$



Since the green section is within the bounds of  $A$ , the green section is a subset of  $A$ .

- (b) Use a venn diagram to show that  $A \cap B \subseteq B$ .

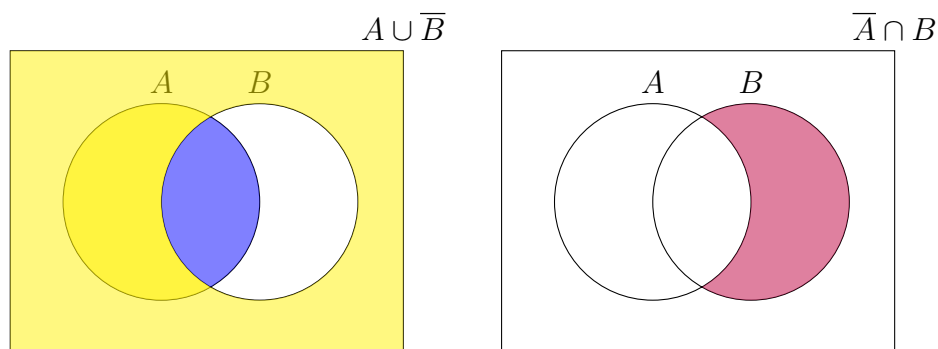
Solution: Pink =  $B$ , Blue =  $A \cap B$



Since the blue section is within the bounds of  $B$ , the blue section is a subset of  $B$ .

- (c) Use a venn diagram to show that  $(A \cup \overline{B}) = \overline{(A \cap B)}$

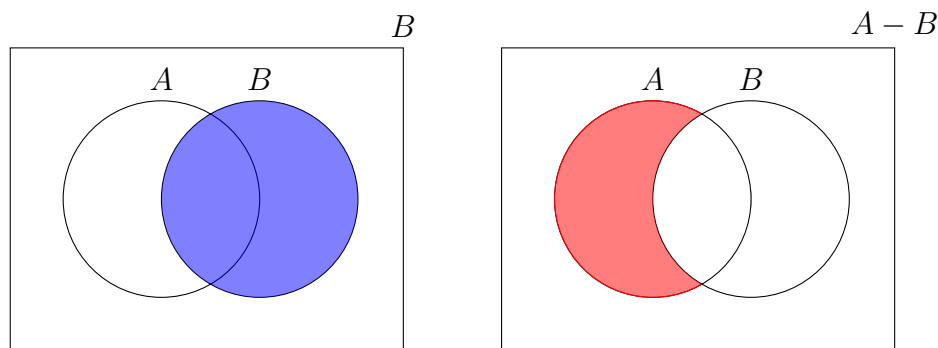
Solution:



Note that in the diagram for  $\overline{A} \cap B$ , we can see that  $\overline{\overline{A} \cap B}$  is represented by the white portion of the diagram, and this white portion is the same as the diagram for  $A \cup \overline{B}$ .

- (d) Use a venn diagram to show that  $B \subseteq \overline{(A - B)}$

Solution:



Note that in the diagram for  $A - B$ , the white area represents  $\overline{A - B}$  and note that the area of  $B$  is within this white area. Thus,  $B \subseteq \overline{A - B}$ .

6. (4 pts) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two sets. Define the *symmetric difference* of  $A$  and  $B$  as  $A \oplus B = \{s \mid s \text{ is in } A \text{ or } B \text{ but not both}\}$  Prove that  $A \oplus B = (A - B) \cup (B - A)$ .

Proof: We use the definitions to prove.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A \oplus B &= \{s \mid s \text{ is in } A \text{ or } B \text{ but not both}\} \\
 &= \{s \mid (s \in A \vee s \in B) \wedge (s \notin A \cap B)\} \\
 &= \{s \mid (s \in A \wedge s \notin B) \vee (s \notin A \wedge s \in B)\} \\
 &= \{s \mid (s \in A \wedge s \notin B)\} \cup \{s \mid (s \notin A \wedge s \in B)\} \\
 &= (A - B) \cup (B - A)
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have shown the result.

*Note: Another way to show this result is to show that each side is a subset of the other.*

7. (10 pts) Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . Given the following definitions of  $f$ , state whether or not it is a function. If it is a function, state the domain, codomain, and range. If it is not a function, state which domain (if any) will make it a function.

- (a)  $f(x) = 1/x$ .
- (b)  $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ .
- (c)  $f(x) = 0$
- (d)  $f(x) = \pm\sqrt{x}$
- (e)  $f(x) = \log_e(x)$ , where  $e$  is Euler's Number.

Solutions:

- (a) Not a function. Domain to make it a function:  $\mathbb{R} - \{0\}$
  - (b) Is a function. Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ , Codomain:  $\mathbb{R}$ ; Range:  $\{r \mid r \in \mathbb{R}, r \geq 1\}$
  - (c) Is a function. Domain:  $\mathbb{R}$ , Codomain:  $\mathbb{R}$ ; Range:  $\{0\}$
  - (d) Is not a function. A domain change to  $\{0\}$  will make it a function.
  - (e) Not a function. Domain to make it a function:  $\{r \mid r \in \mathbb{R}, r > 0\}$
8. (6 pts) Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be functions.
- (a) If  $f(x) = x^2 + 1$  and  $g(x) = 2x + 3$ , find  $(f + g)(x)$  and  $(fg)(x)$ .
  - (b) If  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x$  and  $g(x) = -x + 2$ , find  $(fg + f^2)(x)$ .
  - (c) If  $f(x) = 2x$  and  $g(x) = 3x^2$ , find  $(f + g)^2(x)$ .

Solutions:

- (a)  $(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) = x^2 + 2x + 4$ ;  $(fg)(x) = f(x)g(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 3$
  - (b)  $(fg + f^2)(x) = f(x)g(x) + f(x)f(x) = x^6 + 3x^4 + 2x^3 + 2x^2 + 4x$
  - (c)  $(f + g)^2(x) = (f + g)(f + g)(x) = f^2(x) + 2f(x)g(x) + g^2(x) = 4x^2 + 12x^3 + 9x^4$
9. (8 pts) Let  $f$  be a function with domain and codomain defined below. For each  $f$ , show whether  $f$  is injective, surjective, both, or neither.
- (a)  $f : \mathbb{Z}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+$  and  $f(x) = x + 1$ . (Note:  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  is the set of all positive integers.)
  - (b)  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  and  $f(x) = \lfloor x \rfloor$ .
  - (c)  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $f(x) = x + 1$ .
  - (d)  $f : \mathbb{Z}^+ \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$  and  $f(x) = (x \bmod 2) + 1$ . (Note:  $x \bmod n$  is the remainder of  $x$  when divided by  $n$ .)

Solutions:

- (a) This function is injective but not surjective. Proof: We show injective: Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $f(a) = f(b)$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} f(a) &= f(b) \\ \rightarrow a + 1 &= b + 1 \\ \rightarrow a &= b \end{aligned}$$

Thus the function is injective. We now show not surjective: Take  $b = 1$  in the codomain  $\mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then, there is no such positive integer  $a$  such that  $a + 1 = 1 = b$ . Thus, the function is not surjective.

- (b) The function is surjective but not injective. Proof: We show surjective. Let  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then,  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $f(b) = \lfloor b \rfloor = b$ . So the function is surjective. We now show not injective. Take  $a = 0 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $b = 1/2 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then,  $f(a) = 0$  and  $f(b) = 0$  but  $a \neq b$ . Thus the function is not injective.

- (c) The function is injective and surjective (it is a bijection). Proof: We show injective: Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(a) = f(b)$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} f(a) &= f(b) \\ \rightarrow a + 1 &= b + 1 \\ \rightarrow a &= b \end{aligned}$$

Thus it is injective. We now show surjective: Take any  $b \in \mathbb{R}$  and let  $a = b - 1$ . Then,  $f(a) = a + 1 = (b - 1) + 1 = b$ . Thus, the function is surjective.

- (d) The function is neither injective nor surjective. Proof: We show not injective: Let  $a = 1$  and  $b = 3$ . Then,  $f(a) = 1 + 1 = 2$  and  $f(b) = 1 + 1 = 2$ . Thus,  $f(a) = f(b)$  but  $a \neq b$  and thus the function is not injective. We now show not surjective: let  $b = 0 \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ . Then, for any positive integer  $a$ ,  $a \bmod 2$  is either 0 or 1. Thus,  $f(a)$  is either  $0 + 1$  or  $1 + 1$ . Thus, there is no such  $a \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $f(a) = b$ . Thus, the function is not surjective.

10. (12 pts) For each of the following  $f$  and  $g$ , give  $f^{-1}$  (if it exists),  $g^{-1}$  (if it exists),  $f \circ g$  (if it exists), and  $g \circ f$  (if it exists), otherwise state that it does not exist (Note:  $f^{-1}$  denotes  $f$  inverse, not  $1/f$ ):

- (a)  $f(x) = x^3$ ,  $g(x) = x + 2$ , where  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 (b)  $f(x) = x/2$ ,  $g(x) = x + 3$ , where  $f : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  and  $g : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$   
 (c)  $f(x) = x^2$ ,  $g(x) = \lceil x \rceil + 1$ , where  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $g : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$

Solutions:

- (a)  $f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$ ,  $g^{-1}(x) = x - 2$ ,  $(f \circ g)(x) = (x + 2)^3$ ,  $(g \circ f)(x) = x^3 + 2$   
 (b)  $f^{-1}(x) = 2x$ ,  $g^{-1}(x) = x - 3$ ,  $(f \circ g)(x) = (x + 3)/2$ ,  $(g \circ f)(x) = (x/2) + 3$   
 (c)  $f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $g^{-1}$  does not exist,  $(f \circ g)(x)$  does not exist,  $(g \circ f)(x) = \lceil x^2 \rceil + 1$