

## Directions

**Directions:** Read these directions carefully. Read the W1 Supplemental on BBLearn to answer questions 1 and 2. See chapter 0 of the Levin textbook for reference, definitions, and additional examples.

Put your answers on a separate sheet of paper, then turn in your Homework at the beginning of class in Week 2. Read the section on Explanations.

**Explanations:** If a question asks you to **explain**, fully explain your answer. As a rule of thumb, assume your reader is very literal and doesn't want to believe you. Some tips for proving stuff: to show that a statement is false, give a counterexample. If you want to prove it is true, you need to show that it is true in general. Here are some examples for how to prove/explain stuff.

## Examples

Example 1 Suppose that  $P \vee Q$  is True. Is the statement  $P \implies Q$  necessarily True?  
Answer: No, we will give a counterexample. Suppose that  $P$  is True but  $Q$  is False. Then  $P \vee Q$  is True, but  $P \implies Q$  is False.

Example 2 Prove that the empty set is a subset of every set.  
Answer: Let  $A, B$  be sets. Then  $A \subseteq B$  if

$$\forall x(x \in A \implies x \in B)$$

So  $\emptyset \subseteq B$  if

$$\forall x(x \in \emptyset \implies x \in B)$$

Choose any  $x$ . The statement  $x \in \emptyset$  is False since  $\emptyset$  contains no elements, so the implication

$$x \in \emptyset \implies x \in B$$

Is automatically true. Since this is true for any  $x$ , it is true for all  $x$ . Hence

$$\forall x(x \in \emptyset \implies x \in B)$$

Is True. Therefore  $\emptyset \subseteq B$ .

Example 3 Show that a function  $f$  is surjective if its range equals its codomain.  
Answer: Suppose that the range of  $f$  equals its codomain. We will show that  $f$  satisfies the definition of a surjective function. For concreteness, let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  so the domain of  $f$  is  $A$  and both the codomain and range of  $f$  is  $B$ . Let  $b \in B$ . Then  $b$  is in the range of  $f$ , so there exists an  $a \in A$  for which  $b = f(a)$ . Since this is true for any  $b \in B$ , it is true for all  $b \in B$ . This is the definition of being a surjective function, so  $f$  is surjective.

## Homework W1

1. Read the supplemental on BBLearn. For each statement below, assume  $x, y$  are real numbers. Write a brief interpretation of each statement, and determine if the statement is True or False.

- (a)  $\forall x(\exists y(x + y = 0))$
- (b)  $\exists y(\forall x(x + y = 0))$
- (c)  $\exists x(\exists y(xy = 0))$
- (d)  $\forall x(\forall y(xy \in \mathbb{R}))$

2. Let  $E(x)$  be the predicate 'x is even', let  $O(x)$  be the predicate 'x is odd', and let  $P(x)$  be the predicate 'x is prime'. Then the statement 'Every number is either even or odd' can be written symbolically as

$$\forall x(E(x) \vee O(x))$$

Write the following statements symbolically. Note that you may need multiple free variables/quantifiers.

- (a) No number is both even and odd
  - (b) Every prime number is greater than one
  - (c) Every number is less than a prime number
  - (d) One more than any even number is an odd number
  - (e) There is an even prime number
  - (f) Between any two numbers there is a third number
  - (g) There is a pair of prime numbers which differ by two
3. Use a truth table to prove De Morgan's Laws:
- (a)  $\neg(P \wedge Q)$  is logically equivalent to  $\neg P \vee \neg Q$
  - (b)  $\neg(P \vee Q)$  is logically equivalent to  $\neg P \wedge \neg Q$
4. Let  $D = \{1, \{2, 3\}\}$ .
- (a) Find the powerset  $P(D)$
  - (b) Find  $|P(D)|$
  - (c) Is  $\{1\} \in P(D)$ ?
  - (d) Is  $\{2, 3\} \in P(D)$ ?
  - (e) Is  $D \subseteq P(D)$ ?
  - (f) Is  $D \in P(D)$ ?
5. Let  $A, B$  be sets with  $A \subseteq B$ . Find each, and **explain** your reasoning
- (a)  $A \cap B$

- (b)  $A \cup B$
  - (c)  $A \cup \emptyset$
  - (d)  $A \cap \emptyset$
6. Let  $D = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ . Consider the function  $f : P(D) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  which maps each subset of  $D$  to its cardinality. For example,  $f(\{1, 3\}) = |\{1, 3\}| = 2$ .
- (a) What is the domain of  $f$ ?
  - (b) What is the codomain of  $f$ ?
  - (c) What is the range of  $f$ ?
  - (d) Is  $f$  surjective, injective, bijective or none? **Explain** your reasoning.
  - (e) Find  $f^{-1}(1)$ , and  $f^{-1}(5)$
  - (f) Find  $f^{-1}(0)$  and  $f^{-1}(6)$
7. Let  $\mathbb{N}^+ = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$  be the positive natural numbers and let  $2\mathbb{N} = \{0, 2, 4, \dots\}$  be the even natural numbers. Give an example of a function which satisfies each criterion.

You can define your function by a formula, a "table", or a description such as "f sends even numbers to 0 and odd numbers to 1" or similar.

- (a) A bijection  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^+$
- (b) A bijection  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow 2\mathbb{N}$
- (c) A bijection  $f : \mathbb{N}^+ \rightarrow 2\mathbb{N}$
- (d) An injection (injective function)  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  which is not surjective
- (e) An surjection  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  which is not injective