

Discrete Mathematics Exercise 7

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1. Proof:

Firstly, we prove that $\mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$.

For any $x \in \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$, we know from the definition of power set and union that $x \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ and $x \in \mathcal{P}(B)$, i.e. $x \subseteq A$ and $x \subseteq B$.

It's plain to see that $x \subseteq A \cap B$, i.e. $x \in \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$.

Thus, for any $x \in \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$, $x \in \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$.

In other words, $\mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$.

Now we prove $\mathcal{P}(A \cap B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$.

For any $x \in \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$, we know from the definition of power set and union that $x \subseteq A \cap B$, i.e. $x \subseteq A$ and $x \subseteq B$. Thus, $x \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ and $x \in \mathcal{P}(B)$, i.e. $x \in \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$.

Therefore, for any $x \in \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$, $x \in \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$.

In other words, $\mathcal{P}(A \cap B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$.

Since $\mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$ and $\mathcal{P}(A \cap B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$,

we know $\mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B) = \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$.

QED

2. Proof:

Firstly, we prove that $A \times \cup B \subseteq \cup\{A \times X \mid X \in B\}$.

For any $z \in A \times \cup B$, $\exists a \in A, b \in \cup B$ such that $z = (a, b)$.

From $b \in \cup B$, we know $\exists X \in B$ such that $b \in X$, i.e. $z \in A \times X$.

Therefore, for any $z \in A \times \cup B$, $z \in \cup\{A \times X \mid X \in B\}$.

In other words, $A \times \cup B \subseteq \cup\{A \times X \mid X \in B\}$.

Now we prove $A \times \cup B \supseteq \cup\{A \times X \mid X \in B\}$.

For any $z \in \cup\{A \times X \mid X \in B\}$, $\exists a \in A, X \in B, b \in X$ such that $z = (a, b)$.

From $X \in B, b \in X$, we know $b \in \cup B$.

Therefore, for any $z \in \cup\{A \times X \mid X \in B\}$, $z \in A \times \cup B$.

In other words, $A \times \cup B \supseteq \cup\{A \times X \mid X \in B\}$.

Since $A \times \cup B \subseteq \cup\{A \times X \mid X \in B\}$ and $A \times \cup B \supseteq \cup\{A \times X \mid X \in B\}$,

we know that $A \times \cup B = \cup\{A \times X \mid X \in B\}$.

QED

3. Proof:

Enter a new proof context, introduce an arbitrary x .

$\text{ZF} \vdash x \in C \cap (A \cup B) \leftrightarrow x \in C \wedge (x \in A \vee x \in B)$.

$\text{ZF} \vdash x \in C \cap (A \cup B) \leftrightarrow (x \in C \wedge x \in A) \vee (x \in C \wedge x \in B)$.

$\text{ZF} \vdash x \in C \cap (A \cup B) \leftrightarrow x \in (C \cap A) \cup (C \cap B)$.

Exit the proof context.

Using its conclusion, we can prove $\text{ZF} \vdash \forall x (x \in C \cap (A \cup B) \leftrightarrow x \in (C \cap A) \cup (C \cap B))$.

Then we can prove $\text{ZF} \vdash C \cap (A \cup B) = (C \cap A) \cup (C \cap B)$.

QED

4. *Proof:*

Assume there exists two empty sets \emptyset_1 and \emptyset_2 .

$\text{ZF} \vdash \forall x (\neg x \in \emptyset_1) \wedge \forall x (\neg x \in \emptyset_2) \rightarrow \forall x (\neg x \in \emptyset_1 \wedge \neg x \in \emptyset_2)$.

$\text{ZF} \vdash \forall x (\neg x \in \emptyset_1) \wedge \forall x (\neg x \in \emptyset_2) \rightarrow \forall x ((\neg x \in \emptyset_1 \wedge \neg x \in \emptyset_2) \vee (x \in \emptyset_1 \wedge x \in \emptyset_2))$.

$\text{ZF} \vdash \forall x (\neg x \in \emptyset_1) \wedge \forall x (\neg x \in \emptyset_2) \rightarrow \forall x (x \in \emptyset_1 \leftrightarrow x \in \emptyset_2)$.

Then using the axiom of extensionality,

$\text{ZF} \vdash \forall x (\neg x \in \emptyset_1) \wedge \forall x (\neg x \in \emptyset_2) \rightarrow \emptyset_1 = \emptyset_2$.

QED

5. *a) Proof:* Since $\forall x (\neg(x \subseteq \emptyset \wedge \neg x = \emptyset))$,

we know $\forall x (x \subseteq \emptyset \wedge \neg x = \emptyset \rightarrow \exists y (y \in x \wedge \forall z (z \in x \rightarrow y \in z \vee y = z)))$,

$0 = \{\} = \emptyset$ is \in -well-ordered.

QED

b) Proof:

When n is \in -well-ordered,

$$\forall x (x \subseteq n \wedge \neg x = \emptyset \rightarrow \exists y (y \in x \wedge \forall z (z \in x \rightarrow y \in z \vee y = z))). \quad \textcircled{1}$$

For any $x \subseteq n \cup \{n\} \wedge \neg x = \emptyset$, there exists two cases:

1) $x \subseteq n \wedge \neg x = \emptyset$

From $\textcircled{1}$ we know $\exists y (y \in x \wedge \forall z (z \in x \rightarrow y \in z \vee y = z))$.

2) $\exists x', x' \subseteq n \wedge \neg x' = \emptyset$ such that $x = x' \cup \{n\}$.

From $\textcircled{1}$ we know $\exists y (y \in x' \wedge \forall z (z \in x' \rightarrow y \in z \vee y = z))$.

Since $y \in x'$, $y \in x$.

For any z , $z \in x \Rightarrow (\exists w (w \in x') \wedge (w \in z) \wedge (y \in w \vee y = w)) \Rightarrow y \in z \vee y = z$.

Thus, $\exists y (y \in x \wedge \forall z (z \in x \rightarrow y \in z \vee y = z))$.

In conclusion, for any $x \subseteq n \cup \{n\} \wedge \neg x = \emptyset \rightarrow \exists y (y \in x \wedge \forall z (z \in x \rightarrow y \in z \vee y = z))$.

Therefore, $\forall x (x \subseteq n \cup \{n\} \wedge \neg x = \emptyset \rightarrow \exists y (y \in x \wedge \forall z (z \in x \rightarrow y \in z \vee y = z)))$.

In other words, when n is \in -well-ordered, $n \cup \{n\}$ is \in -well-ordered.

QED

6. *Proof:*

Since $\forall x (\text{Inductive}(x) \rightarrow u \subseteq x)$ and $\text{Inductive}(v)$, $u \subseteq v$.

Similarly, since $\forall x (\text{Inductive}(x) \rightarrow v \subseteq x)$ and $\text{Inductive}(u)$, $v \subseteq u$.

From $u \subseteq v$ and $v \subseteq u$, we know $u = v$.

QED

7. Proof:

Since u and v are two inductive sets,

$$\emptyset \in u \wedge \forall x (x \in u \rightarrow x \cup \{x\} \in u) \text{ and } \emptyset \in v \wedge \forall x (x \in v \rightarrow x \cup \{x\} \in v).$$

$$\emptyset \in u \text{ and } \emptyset \in v \Rightarrow \emptyset \in u \cap v.$$

For any $x \in u \cap v$,

$$x \in u \cap v \Leftrightarrow x \in u \wedge x \in v \Rightarrow x \cup \{x\} \in u \wedge x \cup \{x\} \in v \Leftrightarrow x \cup \{x\} \in u \cap v.$$

Thus, $\emptyset \in u \cap v \wedge \forall x (x \in u \cap v \rightarrow x \cup \{x\} \in u \cap v)$.

In other words, $u \cap v$ is an inductive set.

QED

8. a) Proof:

Let $\{x \in u \mid \forall v (v \subseteq u \wedge \text{Inductive}(v) \rightarrow x \in v)\}$ be X .

According to the definition of inductive sets, we know $\forall v (\text{Inductive}(v) \rightarrow \emptyset \in v)$.

Therefore, $\forall v (v \subseteq u \wedge \text{Inductive}(v) \rightarrow \emptyset \in v)$, i.e. $\emptyset \in X$.

Now we prove for any $y \in X, y \cup \{y\} \in X$.

Since $y \in X$, i.e. $\forall v (v \subseteq u \wedge \text{Inductive}(v) \rightarrow y \in v)$, also considering that $\forall v (t \in v \wedge \text{Inductive}(v) \rightarrow (t \cup \{t\} \in v))$, we know $\forall v (v \subseteq u \wedge \text{Inductive}(v) \rightarrow y \cup \{y\} \in v)$.

In other words, $y \cup \{y\} \in X$.

Since $(\emptyset \in X) \wedge \forall y (y \in X \rightarrow y \cup \{y\} \in X)$, X is an inductive set.

QED

b) Proof:

Let $\{x \in u \mid \forall v (v \subseteq u \wedge \text{Inductive}(v) \rightarrow x \in v)\}$ be X .

We prove X is the smallest inductive subset of u by contradiction.

Assume the smallest inductive subset of u is Y and $X \neq Y$.

We know from the definition of X that $\forall x (x \in X \rightarrow x \in Y)$, i.e. $X \subseteq Y$.

Since $X \neq Y$, X is a proper subset of Y and is therefore a proper subset of u . Given that $\text{Inductive}(X)$, X is an inductive proper subset of Y and u , which is contrast to the definition of Y (because Y is the smallest inductive subset of u).

Thus, X is the smallest inductive subset of u .

QED

9. Proof:

From the conclusion of 7, we know that

$$\text{Inductive}(u_1) \wedge \text{Inductive}(u_2) \rightarrow \text{Inductive}(u_1 \cap u_2). \quad \textcircled{1}$$

We can construct a set X such that $\forall x (\text{Inductive}(x) \rightarrow x \in X)$.

Thus, there exists $A = \bigcap \{x \in X \mid \text{Inductive}(x)\}$.

Using $\textcircled{1}$, we know that A is an inductive set.

Then we prove A is the smallest inductive set of all inductive sets.

For any $u \in X$, $\exists y = \{x \in u \mid \forall v(v \subseteq u \wedge \text{Inductive}(v) \rightarrow x \in v)\}$.

From the conclusion of 8, we know that $\text{Inductive}(y)$ holds, i.e. $y \in X$, $A \subseteq y$.

Now we prove $A = y$ by contradiction.

Assume $A \neq y$.

Then A is a proper set of y .

From the conclusion of 8 we know y is the smallest inductive subset of u .

Given $\text{Inductive}(A) \wedge A \subseteq y \wedge A \neq y$,

we know that $\exists A \exists x (x \in y) \wedge \neg(A \subseteq u \wedge \text{Inductive}(A) \rightarrow x \in A)$,

which is a **contradiction** since $y = \{x \in u \mid \forall v(v \subseteq u \wedge \text{Inductive}(v) \rightarrow x \in v)\}$.

So, $A = y$, i.e. for any $u \in X$, A is the smallest inductive subset of u .

Thus, $\forall u (u \in X \rightarrow A \subseteq u)$.

Therefore, A is the smallest inductive set of any inductive set u .

In other words, there exists at least one “smallest inductive set”.

QED

10.a) Proof:

Since $0 \in X$ and $0 \in \mathbb{N}$ (according to the definition of \mathbb{N}), $0 \in \mathbb{N} \cap X$.

For any $y \in \mathbb{N} \cap X$,

$y \in \mathbb{N} \cap X \Leftrightarrow y \in \mathbb{N} \wedge y \in X \Rightarrow y \cup \{y\} \in \mathbb{N} \wedge y \cup \{y\} \in X \Leftrightarrow y \cup \{y\} \in \mathbb{N} \cap X$.

(since for any $y \in \mathbb{N}$, $y \in X$ implies $y \cup \{y\} \in X$)

In other words, $\mathbb{N} \cap X$ is inductive.

QED

b) Proof:

For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n = 0 \vee \exists x (x \in \mathbb{N} \wedge n = x \cup \{x\})$.

Thus, to prove that for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in X$ holds, we only need to prove that $0 \in \mathbb{N}$ and for any $x \in \mathbb{N}$, $x \cup \{x\} \in X$ (since $x \cup \{x\} \in \mathbb{N}$ holds).

Firstly, we know that $0 \in \mathbb{N} \cap X$. Thus, for $0 \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 \in X$.

Assume $x \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in X$ holds.

Since for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in X$ implies $n \cup \{n\} \in X$, we know $x \cup \{x\} \in X$.

Therefore, for any $x \in \mathbb{N}$, $x \cup \{x\} \in X$.

Thereby, for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \in X$ always holds.

QED