

Answer to Problem Set 3

1. In Week 3, we introduced **numerical identity**, denoted with '='. We assumed the **principle of substitution** for numerical identity. What is the principle of substitution and why is it legitimate?
2. In your own words, explain the relationship between **rational numbers** and **real numbers**. Use examples in your explanation.
3. Provide a proof that -22 is an **even number**.
4. Let the domain be the domain of integers \mathbb{Z} , and let Ox be **x is an odd number**. Now consider the following statement:

$$\forall x \forall y ((Ox \wedge Oy) \rightarrow O(x + y)) \quad (1)$$

Is this statement true or false? If true, then provide a proof. If false, then provide a dis-proof (a proof that there exists a counterexample).

5. Let the domain be the set of integers \mathbb{Z} . Do there exist n and d such that:

$$n \text{ div } d = q, \quad n \text{ mod } d = r, \quad \text{and } q = r \quad (2)$$

If not, then why not? If so, then find values for n and d such that $q = r$.

1. The POS is just the principle which states that we may switch one thing for another if they are **identical**. If they are identical then *they are one and the same thing*. This is why the POS is legitimate.
2. A rational number is a real number that can be represented as the quotient $\frac{n}{m}$ of two integers n, m such that $m \neq 0$. All rational numbers are real numbers, not all real numbers are rational numbers. The non-rational real numbers are irrational numbers.

Set Theory

*Recap W1: The Language of Sets

definition

(Wikipedia) In mathematics, a set is a collection of different things; these things are called **elements** or members of the set and are typically mathematical objects of any kind: numbers, symbols, points in space, lines, other geometrical shapes, variables, or even other sets.

- If S is a set, the notation $x \in S$ means that x is an element of S .
- The notation $x \notin S$ means that x is not an element of S .

notations

- Set-Roster Notation: $\{1, 2, 3\}$, $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 100\}$, $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$.
- Set-Builder Notation: $\{x \in S \mid P(x)\}$.

the axiom of extension

A set is completely determined by *what its elements are* — not the order in which they might be listed or the fact that some elements might be listed more than once.

Sets A and B are equal if, and only if, they have exactly the same elements.

relation - subset

$A \subseteq B: \forall x (x \in A \rightarrow x \in B)$. (What is the negation?)

* Let A and B be sets. A is a **proper subset** of B if, and only if, every element of A is in B but there is at least one element of B that is not in A .

Definition

Given sets A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n , the **Cartesian product** of A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n , denoted $A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n$, is the set of all ordered n -tuples (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) where $a_1 \in A_1$, $a_2 \in A_2, \dots, a_n \in A_n$.

Symbolically:

$$A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n = \{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \mid a_1 \in A_1, a_2 \in A_2, \dots, a_n \in A_n\}.$$

In particular,

$$A_1 \times A_2 = \{(a_1, a_2) \mid a_1 \in A_1 \text{ and } a_2 \in A_2\}$$

is the Cartesian product of A_1 and A_2 .

Element Proof

Element Argument: The Basic Method for Proving That One Set Is a Subset of Another

Let sets X and Y be given. To prove that $X \subseteq Y$,

1. **suppose** that x is a particular but arbitrarily chosen element of X ,
2. **show** that x is an element of Y .

Exercise 1 Define sets A and B as follows:

- $A = \{m \in \mathbb{Z} \mid m = 6r + 12 \text{ for some } r \in \mathbb{Z}\}$
- $B = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n = 3s \text{ for some } s \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$

1. Outline a proof that $A \subseteq B$.
2. Proof that $A \subseteq B$.
3. Disprove that $B \subseteq A$.

Set Equality $A = B \Leftrightarrow A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq A$.

Basic Method for Proving That Sets Are Equal

Let sets X and Y be given. To prove that $X = Y$:

1. Prove that $X \subseteq Y$.
2. Prove that $Y \subseteq X$.

Exercise 2 Define sets A and B as follows:

- $A = \{m \in \mathbb{Z} \mid m = 2a \text{ for some integer } a\}$
- $B = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n = 2b - 2 \text{ for some integer } b\}.$

Is $A = B$?

Operations on Sets

(Textbook) Most mathematical discussions are carried on within some context. For example, in a certain situation *all sets being considered* might be sets of real numbers. In such a situation, the set of real numbers would be called a **universal set** or a universe of discourse for the discussion.

Definition

Let A and B be subsets of a universal set U .

1. The **union** of A and B , denoted $A \cup B$, is the set of all elements that are in at least one of A or B .
2. The **intersection** of A and B , denoted $A \cap B$, is the set of all elements that are common to both A and B .
3. The **difference** of B minus A (or **relative complement** of A in B), denoted $B - A$, is the set of all elements that are in B and not A .
4. The **complement** of A , denoted A^c , is the set of all elements in U that are not in A .

Symbolically:

$$A \cup B = \{x \in U \mid x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$$

$$A \cap B = \{x \in U \mid x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$$

$$B - A = \{x \in U \mid x \in B \text{ and } x \notin A\}$$

$$A^c = \{x \in U \mid x \notin A\}.$$

*Interval Notation

There is a convenient notation for subsets of real numbers that are intervals.

Interval Notation

Given real numbers a and b with $a \leq b$:

$$(a, b) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid a < x < b\} \quad [a, b] = \{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid a \leq x \leq b\}$$

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The symbols ∞ and $-\infty$ are used to indicate intervals that are unbounded either on the right or on the left:

$$(a, \infty) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid x > a\} \quad [a, \infty) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid x \geq a\}$$

$$(-\infty, b) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid x < b\} \quad (-\infty, b] = \{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid x \leq b\}.$$

Exercise 3 Let the universal set be \mathbf{R} , the set of all real numbers, and let

$A = (-1, 0]$ and $B = [0, 1)$

Find $A \cup B$, $A \cap B$, $B - A$, and A^c .

relation - disjoint

A and B are disjoint $\Leftrightarrow A \cap B = \emptyset$.

*Sets A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots are **mutually disjoint** (or pairwise disjoint or nonoverlapping) if, and only if, no two sets A_i and A_j with distinct subscripts have any elements in common. More precisely, for all integers i and $j = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ whenever $i \neq j$.

A finite or infinite collection of nonempty sets $\{A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots\}$ is a **partition** of a set A if, and only if,

1. A is the union of all the A_i ;
2. the sets A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots are mutually disjoint.

***Exercise 4** Let \mathbb{Z} be the set of all integers and let

- $T_0 = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n = 3k, \text{ for some integer } k\},$
- $T_1 = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n = 3k + 1, \text{ for some integer } k\},$ and
- $T_2 = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n = 3k + 2, \text{ for some integer } k\}.$

Is $\{T_0, T_1, T_2\}$ a partition of \mathbb{Z} ?

Properties of Sets

Translation between set language and logic language

Procedural Versions of Set Definitions

Let X and Y be subsets of a universal set U and suppose x and y are elements of U .

1. $x \in X \cup Y \iff x \in X \text{ or } x \in Y$
2. $x \in X \cap Y \iff x \in X \text{ and } x \in Y$
3. $x \in X - Y \iff x \in X \text{ and } x \notin Y$
4. $x \in X^c \iff x \notin X$
5. $(x, y) \in X \times Y \iff x \in X \text{ and } y \in Y$

Some Relation

Theorem 6.2.1 Some Subset Relations

1. *Inclusion of Intersection:* For all sets A and B ,
$$(a) A \cap B \subseteq A \quad \text{and} \quad (b) A \cap B \subseteq B.$$
2. *Inclusion in Union:* For all sets A and B ,
$$(a) A \subseteq A \cup B \quad \text{and} \quad (b) B \subseteq A \cup B.$$
3. *Transitive Property of Subsets:* For all sets A , B , and C ,
$$\text{if } A \subseteq B \text{ and } B \subseteq C, \text{ then } A \subseteq C.$$

Exercise 5 (*Inclusion of Intersection*) For all sets A and B , $A \cap B \subseteq A$.

Set Identities

Theorem 6.2.2 Set Identities

Let all sets referred to below be subsets of a universal set U .

1. *Commutative Laws*: For all sets A and B ,

$$(a) A \cup B = B \cup A \quad \text{and} \quad (b) A \cap B = B \cap A.$$

2. *Associative Laws*: For all sets A , B , and C ,

$$(a) (A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C) \quad \text{and}$$

$$(b) (A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C).$$

3. *Distributive Laws*: For all sets A , B , and C ,

$$(a) A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) \quad \text{and}$$

$$(b) A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C).$$

4. *Identity Laws*: For every set A ,

$$(a) A \cup \emptyset = A \quad \text{and} \quad (b) A \cap U = A.$$

5. *Complement Laws*: For every set A ,

$$(a) A \cup A^c = U \quad \text{and} \quad (b) A \cap A^c = \emptyset.$$

6. *Double Complement Law*: For every set A ,

$$(A^c)^c = A.$$

7. *Idempotent Laws*: For every set A ,

$$(a) A \cup A = A \quad \text{and} \quad (b) A \cap A = A.$$

8. *Universal Bound Laws*: For every set A ,

$$(a) A \cup U = U \quad \text{and} \quad (b) A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset.$$

9. *De Morgan's Laws*: For all sets A and B ,

$$(a) (A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c \quad \text{and} \quad (b) (A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c.$$

10. *Absorption Laws*: For all sets A and B ,

$$(a) A \cup (A \cap B) = A \quad \text{and} \quad (b) A \cap (A \cup B) = A.$$

11. *Complements of U and \emptyset* :

$$(a) U^c = \emptyset \quad \text{and} \quad (b) \emptyset^c = U.$$

12. *Set Difference Law*: For all sets A and B ,

$$A - B = A \cap B^c.$$

***Exercise 6** (*Distributive law*) For all sets A , B , and C , $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$.

Figure:

Suppose A , B , and C are sets.

Show $A \cup (B \cap C) \subseteq (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$.

Suppose $x \in A \cup (B \cap C)$.

\vdots

Thus $x \in (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$.

Hence $A \cup (B \cap C) \subseteq (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$.

Show $(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) \subseteq A \cup (B \cap C)$.

Suppose $x \in (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$.

\vdots

Thus $x \in A \cup (B \cap C)$.

Hence $(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) \subseteq A \cup (B \cap C)$.

Thus $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$.

Details: Suppose $x \in A \cup (B \cap C)$

Case 1: Since $x \in A$, then both statements $x \in A \cup B$ and $x \in A \cup C$ are true by definition of \cup . Hence $x \in (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$ by definition of \cap .

Case 2: Since $x \in B \cap C$, then $x \in B$ and $x \in C$ by definition of \cap .

- Case 2.1: Since $x \in B$, then $x \in A \cup B$ by definition of \cup .
- Case 2.2: Since $x \in C$, similarly, then $x \in A \cup C$ by definition of \cup .

Hence $x \in (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$ by definition of \cup .

The Power Set

Given a set A , the **power set** of A , denoted $\mathcal{P}(A)$, is the set of all subsets of A .

Exercise 7

1. Find the power set of the set $\{x, y\}$. That is, find $\mathcal{P}(\{x, y\})$.
2. Suppose there are k elements in set A . How many elements in $\mathcal{P}(A)$?

The Empty Set

If E is a set with no elements and A is any set, then $E \subseteq A$. (How to prove?)

Exercise 8.1 (*Uniqueness of the Empty Set*) There is only one set with no elements.

Element Method for Proving a Set Equals the Empty Set

To prove that a set X is equal to the empty set \emptyset , prove that X has no elements. To do this, suppose X has an element and derive a contradiction.

***Exercise 8.2** (*Universal Bound Law*) For any set A , $A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$.

Boolean Logic

*Boolean Algebra

Definition and Axioms for a Boolean Algebra

Definition and Axioms for a Boolean Algebra

A **Boolean algebra** is a set B together with two operations, generally denoted $+$ and \cdot , such that for all a and b in B both $a + b$ and $a \cdot b$ are in B and the following axioms are assumed to hold:

1. *Commutative Laws*: For all a and b in B ,

$$(a) \ a + b = b + a \quad \text{and} \quad (b) \ a \cdot b = b \cdot a.$$

2. *Associative Laws*: For all a , b , and c in B ,

$$(a) \ (a + b) + c = a + (b + c) \quad \text{and} \quad (b) \ (a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c).$$

3. *Distributive Laws*: For all a , b , and c in B ,

$$(a) \ a + (b \cdot c) = (a + b) \cdot (a + c) \quad \text{and} \quad (b) \ a \cdot (b + c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c).$$

4. *Identity Laws*: There exist distinct elements 0 and 1 in B such that for each a in B ,

$$(a) \ a + 0 = a \quad \text{and} \quad (b) \ a \cdot 1 = a.$$

5. *Complement Laws*: For each a in B , there exists an element in B , denoted \bar{a} and called the **complement** or **negation** of a , such that

$$(a) \ a + \bar{a} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad (b) \ a \cdot \bar{a} = 0.$$

We can prove that a Boolean Algebra holds the following **properties**.

Theorem 6.4.1 Properties of a Boolean Algebra

Let B be any Boolean algebra.

1. *Uniqueness of the Complement Laws*: For all a and x in B , if $a + x = 1$ and $a \cdot x = 0$ then $x = \bar{a}$.

2. *Uniqueness of 0 and 1*: If there exists x in B such that $a + x = a$ for every a in B , then $x = 0$, and if there exists y in B such that $a \cdot y = a$ for every a in B , then $y = 1$.

3. *Double Complement Law*: For every $a \in B$, $\overline{(\bar{a})} = a$.

4. *Idempotent Laws*: For every $a \in B$,

$$(a) \ a + a = a \quad \text{and} \quad (b) \ a \cdot a = a.$$

5. *Universal Bound Laws*: For every $a \in B$,

$$(a) \ a + 1 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad (b) \ a \cdot 0 = 0.$$

6. *De Morgan's Laws*: For all a and $b \in B$,

$$(a) \ \overline{a + b} = \bar{a} \cdot \bar{b} \quad \text{and} \quad (b) \ \overline{a \cdot b} = \bar{a} + \bar{b}.$$

7. *Absorption Laws*: For all a and $b \in B$,

$$(a) \ (a + b) \cdot a = a \quad \text{and} \quad (b) \ (a \cdot b) + a = a.$$

8. *Complements of 0 and 1*:

$$(a) \ \bar{0} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad (b) \ \bar{1} = 0.$$

***Exercise 9** (*Uniqueness of the Complement Law*) For all a and x in B , if $a + x = 1$ and $a \cdot x = 0$ then $x = \bar{a}$.

Boolean Function

(*Wikipedia*) In mathematics, a **Boolean function** is a function whose arguments and result assume values from a two-element set (usually {true, false}, {0,1} or {-1,1}).

Alternative names are *switching function*, used especially in older computer science literature, and *truth function* (or logical function), used in logic. Boolean functions are the subject of Boolean algebra and switching theory.

A Boolean function takes the form $f : \{0, 1\}^k \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ (or f^k), where $\{0, 1\}$ is known as the **Boolean domain** \mathbb{B} and k is a non-negative integer called the **arity** of the function.

Exercise 10

1. What is the Boolean function of $\sim, \vee, \wedge, \rightarrow$?
2. Let $f^3 = F(W, X, Y) = W + XY$. The output here would be 1 when $W = 1$ or $XY = 1$ or when both of these are 1.

Draw the truth table of f^3 .

3. *How many different Boolean functions with k arguments?