

Ex1. Explain why $A \times B \times C$ and $(A \times B) \times C$ are not the same.

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Ex3. Let A , B , and C be sets. Show that :

(a) $(A \cup B) \subseteq (A \cup B \cup C)$

We have: $x \in A \cup B \Leftrightarrow (x \in A) \vee (x \in B) \Rightarrow (x \in A) \vee (x \in B) \vee (x \in C) \Leftrightarrow x \in (A \cup B \cup C)$

Thus, we have : $(A \cup B) \subseteq (A \cup B \cup C)$

(b) $(A \cap B \cap C) \subseteq (A \cap B)$

By definition, we have $x \in A \cap B \cap C \Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in B \wedge x \in C \Rightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in B \Leftrightarrow x \in (A \cap B)$

Thus, we have $A \cap B \cap C \subseteq A \cap B$.

(c) $(A - C) \cap (C - B) = \emptyset$

For $x \in (A - C) \cap (C - B)$ we have:

$$x \in (A - C) \cap (C - B) \Leftrightarrow x \in (A - C) \wedge x \in (C - B) \Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge x \notin C \wedge x \in C \wedge x \notin B$$

The latter means that the set $(A - C) \cap (C - B)$ is empty.

Thus, $(A - C) \cap (C - B) = \emptyset$

Ex6. If f and $f \circ g$ are one-to-one, does it follow that g is one-to-one ?

Suppose g is not one to one, then there exist $x \neq y$ in X such that $g(x)=g(y)$, so as f is one to one, $f \circ g(x)=f \circ g(y)$, with $x \neq y$, which contradicts $f \circ g$ being one to one.

Hence g must be one to one.

Ex8. Let f be a function from the set A to the set B . Let S and T be subsets of A . Show that :

(a) $f(S \cup T) = f(S) \cup f(T)$

Let y be an arbitrary element of $f(S \cup T)$.

Then there is an element x in $S \cup T$ such that $y = f(x)$.

If x is in S , then y is in $f(S)$. Hence y is in $f(S) \cup f(T)$.

Similarly y is in $f(S) \cup f(T)$ if x is in T .

Hence if $y \in f(S \cup T)$, then $y \in f(S) \cup f(T)$.

(b) $f(S \cap T) \subseteq f(S) \cap f(T)$.

Let y be an arbitrary element of $f(S \cap T)$.

Then there is an element x in $S \cap T$ such that $y = f(x)$, that is there is an element x which is in S and in T , and for which $y = f(x)$ holds.

Hence $y \in f(S)$ and $y \in f(T)$, that is $y \in f(S) \cap f(T)$.

Ex14. Show that a subset of a countable set is also countable.

Let S be a countable set and let $T \subseteq S$.

By definition, there exists an injection $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$.

Let $i: T \rightarrow S$ be the inclusion mapping.

We have that i is an injection.

Because the composite of injections is an injection, it follows that $f \circ i: T \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is an injection.

Hence, T is countable.