

DGD 5

Q1. SETS: ELEMENTS, SUBSETS, CARDINALITY, POWER SET, CARTESIAN PRODUCT

Let $A = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$ let $B = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$ and let $C = \{a, e, i, o, u\}$

i. Determine the cardinalities of A , B , and C .

$$|A|=2 \quad |B|=2 \quad |C|=5$$

ii. What is $|\mathcal{P}(A)|$? What is $|\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(B))|$? What is $|\mathcal{P}(C)|$?

$$|\mathcal{P}(A)| = 2^{|A|} = 2^2 = 4 \quad |\mathcal{P}(C)| = 2^{|C|} = 2^5 = 32$$

$$|\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(B))| = 2^{|\mathcal{P}(B)|} = 2^{(2^{|B|})} = 2^{(2^2)} = 2^4 = 16$$

Compute the power set of A and the power set of B . List at least 4 elements of $\mathcal{P}(C)$.

$$\mathcal{P}(A) = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$$

$$\mathcal{P}(B) = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\{\emptyset\}\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$$

$\emptyset \in \mathcal{P}(C)$ because $\emptyset \subseteq C$
 $C \in \mathcal{P}(C)$ because $C \subseteq C$
 $\{a, o\} \in \mathcal{P}(C)$ because $\{a, o\} \subseteq C$
 $\{i\} \in \mathcal{P}(C)$ because $\{i\} \subseteq C$
 etc...

$$\mathcal{P}(C) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{e\}, \{i\}, \{o\}, \{u\}, \{a, e\}, \{a, i\}, \{a, o\}, \{a, u\}, \{e, i\}, \{e, o\}, \{e, u\}, \{i, o\}, \{i, u\}, \{o, u\}, \{a, e, i\}, \{a, e, o\}, \{a, e, u\}, \{a, i, o\}, \{a, i, u\}, \{a, o, u\}, \{e, i, o\}, \{e, i, u\}, \{e, o, u\}, \{i, o, u\}, \{a, e, i, o\}, \{a, e, i, u\}, \{a, e, o, u\}, \{a, i, o, u\}, \{e, i, o, u\}, \{a, e, i, o, u\}\}$$

iii. List all the elements of $B \times B$.

$$\begin{array}{lll} (\emptyset, \emptyset) \in B \times B & (\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}) \in B \times B & \text{Thus,} \\ (\{\emptyset\}, \emptyset) \in B \times B & (\{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset\}) \in B \times B & B \times B = \{(\emptyset, \emptyset), (\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}), (\{\emptyset\}, \emptyset), (\{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset\})\} \end{array}$$

iv. Determine the cardinalities of $A \times B$ and $B \times \mathcal{P}(A)$ and $A \times B \times C$.

$$\begin{array}{lll} |A \times B| = |A| \cdot |B| & |B \times \mathcal{P}(A)| = |B| \cdot |\mathcal{P}(A)| & A \times B \times C = |A| \cdot |B| \cdot |C| \\ = 2 \cdot 2 & = |B| \cdot 2^{|A|} & = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \\ = 4 & = 2 \cdot 2^2 & = 20 \\ & = 8 & \end{array}$$

v. Which of the following statements are true for the sets A, B, C given below?

$$A = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\} \quad B = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \quad C = \{a, e, i, o, u\}$$

$$\emptyset \subseteq B$$

true

$$\emptyset \in B$$

true

$$\{\{\emptyset\}\} \subseteq B$$

true

$$\emptyset \subseteq C$$

true

$$\emptyset \in C$$

false

$$\emptyset \subseteq \mathcal{P}(C)$$

true

$$\{a, i\} \in C$$

false

$$\{a, i\} \subset C$$

true

$$\{a, i\} \subseteq C$$

true

$$B \subseteq A$$

false

$$\{\emptyset\} \in \mathcal{P}(A)$$

true

$$\{\{\{\emptyset\}\}\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B)$$

true

$$B \in A$$

true

$$B \in \mathcal{P}(A)$$

false

$$\{\{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\} \in \mathcal{P}(A)$$

false

$$\emptyset \in A$$

true

$$\{\emptyset\} \in A$$

false

$$\{\emptyset\} \subseteq A$$

true

$$(\emptyset, \emptyset) \in A \times B$$

true

$$(\emptyset, \emptyset) \subseteq A \times B$$

false

$$\emptyset \subseteq A \times B$$

true

$$\{(\emptyset, \emptyset)\} \subset B \times A$$

true

$$\{(i, i), (a, e)\} \in C \times C$$

false

$$(e, a) \in C \times C$$

true

Q2. Let $A = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} : 3 \mid n\}$, $B = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} : 12 \mid n\}$, and $C = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} : 2 \mid n\}$.

i. Is $A \subseteq B$? If so, prove it rigorously. If not, give a concrete counterexample and briefly explain.

No. Counterexample (there are many other possible counterexamples)

$15 \in A$ since $3 \mid 15$ is true ($15 = 5 \cdot 3$)

but $15 \notin B$ since $12 \nmid 15$.

\therefore the implication $(x \in A) \rightarrow (x \in B)$ is false for $x=15$.

(hence is not true for all x)

$\therefore A \not\subseteq B$.

ii. Is $B \subseteq C$? If so, prove it rigorously. If not, give a concrete counterexample and briefly explain.

Yes. Proof. Assume $x \in B$. (goal: prove $x \in C$)

Then $12 \mid x$ by def. of B .

$\Rightarrow x = 12k$ for some integer $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ (def. of $12 \mid x$)

$\Rightarrow x = 2(6k)$

$\Rightarrow x = 2m$ where $m = 6k$. Since $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, we know $m = 6k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$\therefore 2 \mid x \quad \therefore x \in C$ (by def. of C).
(goal!)

we proved that $(x \in B) \rightarrow (x \in C)$ is true for arbitrary x , thus $B \subseteq C$. 

iii. Use set-builder notation to describe the sets $A \cap B$, $A \cap C$, $A \cup B$, $A - C$, and $A \oplus C$.

$A \cap B = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 3 \mid x \text{ and } 12 \mid x\} = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 12 \mid x\} = B$. (because $B \subseteq A$)

$A \cap C = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 3 \mid x \text{ and } 2 \mid x\} = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 6 \mid x\}$ (because 6 is the lowest common multiple of 3 and 2)

$A \cup B = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 3 \mid x \text{ or } 12 \mid x\} = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 3 \mid x\} = A$ (because $B \subseteq A$)

$A - C = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 3 \mid x \text{ and } 2 \nmid x\} = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : x = 3m \text{ for some } m \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } x \text{ is odd}\}$
 $= \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : x = 6k + 3 \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

$A \oplus C = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 3 \mid x \text{ or } 2 \mid x \text{ but not both}\} = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : 3 \mid x \text{ or } 2 \mid x \text{ but } 6 \nmid x\}$.

Q3. PROOF INVOLVING SETS

Prove the following theorem using an appropriate proof strategy:

Theorem 6.2. Let X and Y be sets. Then $\mathcal{P}(X) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(Y)$ if and only if $X \subseteq Y$.

$$\underbrace{\mathcal{P}(X) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(Y)}_P \longleftrightarrow \underbrace{X \subseteq Y}_Q$$

To prove $P \leftrightarrow Q$ we must prove $P \rightarrow Q$ and the converse $Q \rightarrow P$. (proof of equivalence)

Proof: (\Rightarrow) To prove $P \rightarrow Q$ we will use an indirect proof. Assume $\neg Q$ is T and prove $\neg P$ must follow.

$$\neg Q: X \not\subseteq Y$$

$$\neg P: \mathcal{P}(X) \not\subseteq \mathcal{P}(Y)$$

Assume $\neg Q$ is T. i.e. Assume $X \not\subseteq Y$.

Therefore there exists at least one $x \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $x \in X$ but $x \notin Y$.

Consequently, $\{x\} \subseteq X$ but $\{x\} \not\subseteq Y$.

Therefore, $\{x\} \in \mathcal{P}(X)$ but $\{x\} \notin \mathcal{P}(Y)$

Therefore $\mathcal{P}(X)$ contains an element that is not also an element of $\mathcal{P}(Y)$

i.e. $\mathcal{P}(X) \not\subseteq \mathcal{P}(Y)$ Thus $\neg P$ is true.

So we proved $\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$ which is $\equiv P \rightarrow Q$.

(\Leftarrow) To prove the converse $Q \rightarrow P$ we will use a direct proof. Assume Q is T and prove P must follow

Assume Q is T. i.e. Assume $X \subseteq Y$.

Then $(x \in X) \rightarrow (x \in Y)$ is true for all $x \in \mathcal{U}$.

Let S be any element of $\mathcal{P}(X)$. Then, S must be a subset of X by def. of $\mathcal{P}(X)$

Since $S \subseteq X$, we know that

$(x \in S) \rightarrow (x \in X)$ is true for all $x \in \mathcal{U}$.

Since $X \subseteq Y$, we also know that $(x \in X) \rightarrow (x \in Y)$ for all $x \in \mathcal{U}$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{for all } x \in \mathcal{U} \text{ we have} \\ (x \in S) \rightarrow (x \in X) \\ (x \in X) \rightarrow (x \in Y) \\ \hline \therefore (x \in S) \rightarrow (x \in Y) \end{array} \right\}$$

Consequently, $S \subseteq Y$, hence $S \in \mathcal{P}(Y)$.

Thus, we proved that $\mathcal{P}(X) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(Y)$ i.e. P is True $\therefore Q \rightarrow P$ is T.

Since both $P \rightarrow Q$ and $Q \rightarrow P$ are true, it follows that $P \leftrightarrow Q$ is True.



Q4. USING THE LAWS FROM THE TABLE OF IMPORTANT SET IDENTITIES

Prove the following generalization of De Morgan's Law using set identities:

$$\overline{(A \cup B) \cup C} = (\overline{A} \cap \overline{B}) \cap \overline{C}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{(A \cup B) \cup C} &= \overline{(A \cup B)} \cap \overline{C} \quad (\text{De Morgan's Law}) \\ &= (\overline{A} \cap \overline{B}) \cap \overline{C} \quad (\text{De Morgan's Law})\end{aligned}$$

Note: Because of the associative law, it is common to omit parentheses when writing several unions (or intersections, respectively) in a row.

ie. we might write this identity as $\overline{A \cup B \cup C} = \overline{A} \cap \overline{B} \cap \overline{C}$

since $(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$ and $(\overline{A} \cap \overline{B}) \cap \overline{C} = \overline{A} \cap (\overline{B} \cap \overline{C})$

Q5. VERIFYING A SET IDENTITY

Prove that $C - (\overline{A} \cap B) = (C \cap A) \cup (C - B)$

i. using the laws from the Table of Important Set Identities

$$\begin{aligned}C - (\overline{A} \cap B) &= C \cap \overline{(\overline{A} \cap B)} \quad (\text{Difference Law}) \\ &= C \cap (\overline{\overline{A}} \cup \overline{B}) \quad (\text{De Morgan's Law}) \\ &= C \cap (A \cup \overline{B}) \quad (\text{Double Complementation Law}) \\ &= (C \cap A) \cup (C \cap \overline{B}) \quad (\text{Distributive Law}) \\ &= (C \cap A) \cup (C - B) \quad (\text{Difference Law})\end{aligned}$$

ii. using a membership table

A	B	C	$\overline{A} \cap B$	$C - (\overline{A} \cap B)$	$C \cap A$	$C - B$	$(C \cap A) \cup (C - B)$
1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Since membership is the same for $C - (\overline{A} \cap B)$ and $(C \cap A) \cup (C - B)$,
it follows that $C - (\overline{A} \cap B) = (C \cap A) \cup (C - B)$