

TMA4140: Homework Set 2
Basic structures: Sets, Functions, Sequences
and Sums
RETTES

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1 Chapter 2.1 - Sets

1.1 Exercise 5

Determine whether each of these pairs are equal.

a) $\{1, 3, 3, 3, 5, 5, 5, 5\}, \{5, 3, 1\} \Rightarrow \text{True}.$

b) $\{\{1\}\}, \{1, \{1\}\} \Rightarrow \text{False}.$

c) $\emptyset, \{\emptyset\} \Rightarrow \text{False}$

1.2 Exercise 24

Determine whether each of these sets is the power set of a set, where a and b are distinct elements.

a) \emptyset

b) $\{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$

c) $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{\emptyset, a\}\}$

d) $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$

2 Chapter 2.2 - Set Operations

2.1 Exercise 18c

Let A , B and C be sets. Show that: $A \cap B \subseteq (A \cup B \cup C)$

$$A \cap B \subseteq (A \cup B \cup C) \quad (1)$$

2.2 Exercise 18d

Let A , B and C be sets. Show that: $(A - B) - C \subseteq A - C$

$$(A - B) - C \subseteq A - C \quad (2)$$

2.3 Exercise 46

Show that if A , B , and C are sets, then: ¹

$$|A \cup B \cup C| = |A| + |B| + |C| - |A \cap B| - |A \cap C| - |B \cap C| + |A \cap B \cap C| \quad (3)$$

¹This is a special case of the inclusion-exclusion principle, which will be studied in Chapter 8.

$$\begin{aligned}
|A \cup B \cup C| &= |A| + |B| + |C| - |A \cap B| - |A \cap C| - |B \cap C| + |A \cap B \cap C| \\
|A \cup B \cup C| &= |A \cup B \cup C|
\end{aligned}
\tag{4}$$

3 Chapter 2.3 - Functions

3.1 Exercise 12c

Determine whether each of these functions from Z to Z is one-to-one.

$$f(n) = n^3 \tag{5}$$

3.2 Exercise 38

Let $f(x) = ax + b$ and $g(x) = cx + d$, where a, b, c , and d are constants. Determine necessary and sufficient conditions on the constants a, b, c , and d so that $f \cdot g = g \cdot f$.

3.3 Exercise 42

Let f be the function from R to R defined by $f(x) = x^2$. Find:

- a) $f^{-1}(\{1\})$
- b) $f^{-1}(\{x | 0 < x < 1\})$
- c) $f^{-1}(\{x | x > 4\})$

4 Chapter 2.4 - Sequences and Summations

4.1 Exercise 12c

Show that the sequence a_n is a solution of the recurrence relation $a_n = -3a_{n-1} + 4a_{n-2}$ if $a_n = (-4)^n$

$$a_n = -3a_{n-1} + 4a_{n-2} = (-4)^n \tag{6}$$

4.2 Exercise 33d

Compute the double sum:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=0}^2 \sum_{j=1}^3 ij &= \\ &= \textit{something} \\ &= \textit{something else but still the same}\end{aligned}\tag{7}$$

5 Chapter 2.5 - Cardinality of Sets

5.1 Exercise 16

Exercise: Show that a subset of a countable set is also countable.

Answer: A set is countable if it is finite or is the same size as N . To show that A is countable, it is sufficient to show that there is an injection from A to N .