# Logic & Set Theory

## 3.AB PrelB Maths – Exam A

Unless specified otherwise, you are to **always** (at least briefly) explain your reasoning. Even in closed questions.

#### Logic - propositions and conjunctions.

a) For each  $truth\ value\ of\ p$  write down the  $truth\ value\ of$  the proposition

[15%]

$$p \lor \neg p$$
.

You don't have to show your method.

b) Decide whether the proposition

[10 %]

$$(p \Rightarrow q) \lor \neg (p \Rightarrow q)$$

is **always true** regardless of the truth values of p and q.

#### Basic set operations.

a) Given sets  $A = \{ \odot, \odot, \smile, \smile, \mid a \}$ ,  $B = \{ \odot, \mid a \mid, \smile \}$  and  $C = \emptyset$ , determine the [15 %] set

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

Explain your method.

b) Decide whether [10 %]

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

for any sets A, B, C. **Explain**.

Hint: Use Venn diagrams.

### Cartesian product and relations.

a) You are given [15 %]

$$A = \{1, 2\}, B = \{a, b, c\} \text{ and } R = \{(2, a), (2, b)\},\$$

where R is a relation from A to B. Provide at least two other relations from A to B that are different from the relation R.

b) How many relations are there from  $\underline{A}$  to  $\underline{B}$  if

[10 %]

$$A = \{5\}$$
 and  $B = \{\check{e}, \check{s}, \check{c}, \check{r}, \check{z}\}.$ 

Hint: It is not necessary to write all of them. A simple argument suffices.

[10 %]

#### Equivalence.

a) For each of the following relations decide if they are an equivalence on the set  $A = \{a, b, c\}$  or not. You **don't** need to **explain anything**.

$$\square R = \{(a,a), (b,b), (c,c)\}$$

$$\square R = \{(a,b), (b,a), (a,a), (b,b), (c,c)\}$$

$$\square$$
  $R = \{(1,2), (2,3), (1,3)\}$ 

$$\square R = A \times A$$

$$\square R = \{(a,a), (b,b), (c,c), (a,b), (b,c), (b,c), (b,a)\}\$$

You may use the empty diagrams below to draw the relations from above.

- b) Recall that the relation of *equivalence* is given by three conditions:
  - **reflexivity**: every element is equivalent to itself;
  - **symmetry**: if a is equivalent to b, then b is equivalent to a;
  - **transitivity**: if a is eq. to b and b is eq. to c, then a is eq. to c.

To every point in the visualization of the equivalences from part a) assign one defining condition of equivalence that forces its presence in the equivalence.

For example: 'This specific pair is present because otherwise the symmetry property would not be satisfied'.

**Hint:** Try assigning only the reflexivity and symmetry conditions. The geometrical representation of transitivity is harder to see.