

Homework 7

1a) Let $x=2$. Observe that $x \in A$ when $a=0$, but that $x \notin B$ because for $2 = 10b - 3$ to be true, b must equal $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}$. Therefore $A \not\subseteq B$. \square

1b) Let $x \in B$ and $a = 2b - 1$ within B .

Observe that, by the rules of integer arithmetic, $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, and:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 10b - 3 \\ &= \cancel{10(2b-1) - 3} \\ &= 5(2b - 1 + 1) - 3 \\ &= 5(2b - 1) + 5 - 3 \\ &= 5a + 2. \end{aligned}$$

This means that when $x \in B$, it also shows that $x \in A$. Therefore $B \subseteq A$. \square

1c) Let $x \in B$ and $y \in C$ s.t. $c = b + 1$ within B and C . Observe that, using the rule of integer addition, $c \in \mathbb{Z}$. Also observe:

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 10b - 3 \\ &= 10(b - 1 + 1) - 3 \\ &= 10c + 10 - 3 \\ &= 10c + 7 \\ &= y, \text{ for any value } b. \end{aligned}$$

Meaning for any value $x \in B$; $x = y$, and $x \in C$. For any value $y \in C$; $y = x$, and $y \in B$. Therefore $B = C$.

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2. (a) Let $x \in A$, where $A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq C$.

Since $A \subseteq B$, $x \in B$ by the rules of sets and subsets. Since $x \in B$ and $B \subseteq C$, $x \in C$ by the same rules.

Therefore any value for $x \in A$ is also $x \in C$, meaning: $A \subseteq C$. \diamond

(b) $A = 1$

$B = \{1\}$

$C = \{1, 2, 3\}$

$1 \not\subseteq C$ because 1 is not a set.

(c) Let $A \in B$, where $B \subseteq C$.

Since $B \subseteq C$, $A \in C$ by the rules of sets and subsets.

Therefore any $A \in B$ also gives that $A \in C$. \diamond

(d) $A = 1$

$B = \{1\}$

$C = \{\{1\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$

$A \notin C$