

14:332:312 Discrete Math
Homework Assignment 3 (100 points)
Due March 24 start of class

1) (16 points) Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$, $B = \{x, y\}$, and $C = \{0, 1\}$. Find

- a) $A \times B \times C$. b) $C \times B \times A$.
c) $C \times A \times B$. d) $B \times B \times B$.

2) (15 points) Draw the Venn diagrams for each of these combinations of the sets A , B , and C .

- a) $A \cap (B \cup C)$ b) $A \cap B \cap C$
c) $(A - B) \cup (A - C) \cup (B - C)$

3) (20 points)

Let $S = \{-1, 0, 2, 4, 7\}$. Find $f(S)$ if

- a) $f(x) = 1$. b) $f(x) = 2x + 1$.
c) $f(x) = \lfloor x/5 \rfloor$ d) $f(x) = \lfloor (x^2 + 1)/3 \rfloor$

4) (20 points) Show that the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is a solution of the recurrence relation $a_n = -3a_{n-1} + 4a_{n-2}$ if

- a) $a_n = 0$. b) $a_n = 1$.
c) $a_n = (-4)^n$. d) $a_n = 2(-4)^n + 3$.

5) (16 points) An employee joined a company in 2009 with a starting salary of \$50,000. Every year this employee receives a raise of \$1000 plus 4% of the salary of the previous year.

- a) Set up a recurrence relation for the salary of this employee n years after 2009.
b) What will the salary of this employee be in 2017?
c) Find an explicit formula for the salary of this employee n years after 2009.

6) (13 points) Show that the set of real numbers that are solutions of quadratic equations $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, where a , b , and c are integers, is countable.