

**Problem 1.** State DeMorgan's Laws for set complements  $(A \cup B)^c$  and  $(A \cap B)^c$ .

*Solution:*  $(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$ ,  $(A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$ . □

**Problem 2.** Let  $A = \{a, b\}$ ,  $B = \{b, 1, 2\}$ . Give the elements of  $(A \times B) \setminus (A \times \{b\})$  by listing them within braces.

*Solution:*  $(A \times B) \setminus (A \times \{b\}) = \{(a, 1), (a, 2), (b, 1), (b, 2)\}$  □

**Problem 3.** For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $I_n$  be the closed interval  $[-1 + \frac{1}{n}, 1 - \frac{1}{n}]$ . Describe the set  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n$  in either interval or set-builder notation.

*Solution:*  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n = (-1, 1)$ . □

**Problem 4.** For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $J_n$  be the closed interval  $[1 + \frac{1}{n}, 2 - \frac{1}{n}]$ . Describe the set  $\bigcup_{n=2}^{\infty} J_n$  in either interval or set-builder notation.

*Solution:*  $\bigcup_{n=2}^{\infty} J_n = (1, 2)$ . □

**Problem 5.** Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $S = \{Y \in \mathcal{P}(X) : b \notin Y, |Y| \leq 2\}$ . Give the elements of  $S$ .

*Solution:*  $S = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, d\}, \{c, d\}\}$ . □

**Problem 6.** Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be statements. Are the following statements equivalent? Justify your answers.

(a)  $P \wedge (Q \vee \neg Q)$  and  $(\neg P) \implies (Q \wedge \neg Q)$ .

(b)  $(\neg P) \wedge (P \implies Q)$  and  $\neg(Q \vee P)$ .

*Solution:* (a) They are equivalent.

| $P$ | $Q$ | $Q \vee \neg Q$ | $\neg P$ | $Q \wedge \neg Q$ | $P \vee (Q \vee \neg Q)$ | $(\neg P) \implies (Q \wedge \neg Q)$ |
|-----|-----|-----------------|----------|-------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| $T$ | $T$ | $T$             | $F$      | $F$               | $T$                      | $T$                                   |
| $T$ | $F$ | $T$             | $F$      | $F$               | $T$                      | $T$                                   |
| $F$ | $T$ | $T$             | $T$      | $F$               | $F$                      | $F$                                   |
| $F$ | $F$ | $T$             | $T$      | $F$               | $F$                      | $F$                                   |

(b) They are not. If  $P$  is false and  $Q$  is true, then  $\neg(Q \vee P)$  is false, and  $(\neg P) \wedge (P \implies Q)$  is true. □

**Problem 7.** Consider the following statement  $S$ :

“All foreign cars are well made.”

Which of the following statements (there may be more than one) correctly negate  $S$ ?

(a) “All foreign cars are badly made.”

(b) “All domestic (non-foreign) cars are well made.”

(c) “There are domestic (non-foreign) cars that are well made.”

(d) “Some foreign cars are badly made.”

(e) “If a car is not foreign, then it is not well made.”

*Solution:* The statement (d) is the only one that correctly negates  $S$ . □

**Problem 8.** Consider the following statement  $P$ :

$$\forall X \subset \mathbb{N}, \exists n \in \mathbb{Z}, |X| = n$$

- (a) Rewrite  $\neg P$  as an affirmative statement (i.e. the symbol  $\neg$  should not appear anywhere)
- (b) What is  $\neg P$  saying in plain English? Is it true or false?

*Solution:* The negation of  $P$  can be written as follows:

$$\exists X \subset \mathbb{N}, \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, |X| \neq n$$

In plain English, this statement indicates that there is a subset of the natural numbers whose cardinality is not an integer (in other words, that there exist infinite subsets of the natural numbers). This is clearly true. □

**Problem 9.** Consider the following statement  $R$ :

“An integer  $n$  is divisible by 15 only if it is divisible by 5.”

- (a) Rewrite  $R$  in the form  $P \implies Q$ .
- (b) Use the word *necessary* or *sufficient* as appropriate:

“For an integer  $n$  to be divisible by 5 it is \_\_\_\_\_ that  $n$  be divisible by 15.”

- (c) Use the word *necessary* or *sufficient* as appropriate:

“For an integer  $n$  to be divisible by 15 it is \_\_\_\_\_ that  $n$  be divisible by 5.”

- (d) State the converse of  $R$ .
- (e) State the contrapositive of  $R$ .

*Solution:* (a)  $P(n) \implies Q(n)$ , where  $P(n)$  and  $Q(n)$  are respectively “15 divides  $n$ ” and “5 divides  $n$ .”

(b) “For an integer  $n$  to be divisible by 5 it is *sufficient* that  $n$  be divisible by 15.”

(c) “For an integer  $n$  to be divisible by 15 it is *necessary* that  $n$  be divisible by 5.”

(d)  $Q(n) \implies P(n)$ : “An integer  $n$  is divisible by 5 only if it is divisible by 15.”

(e)  $\neg Q(n) \implies \neg P(n)$ : “If an integer is not divisible by 5, then it is not divisible by 15.” □

**Problem 10.** Let  $A = [-1, 0) \cup (0, 1]$ , and consider  $U = \mathbb{R}$  as the universal set. Describe the set  $A^c$ .

*Solution:*  $A^c = (-\infty, -1) \cup \{0\} \cup (1, \infty)$ . □