

CSE 015: Discrete Mathematics  
Homework #6  
Solution

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Chapter 2.1

1. **Question 12:** Determine whether these statements are true or false.

- (a) 12a: True
- (b) 12b: True
- (c) 12d: True
- (d) 12f: True

2. **Question 20:** Find two sets  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $A$  belongs to  $B$  and  $A$ , subset of  $B$

- (a) 20:  $A = \{1\}$ ,  $B = \{1, 2\}$

3. **Question 26:** Determine whether each of these sets is the power set of a set, where  $a$  and  $b$  are distinct elements

- (a) 26a: This is not a powerset.
- (b) 26d: This is a powerset.

4. **Question 34:** Let  $A = a, b, c$ ,  $B = x, y$ , and  $C = 0, 1$

- (a) 34a:  $A \times B \times C$ :  $\{(a,x,0),(a,x,1),(a,y,0),(a,y,1),(b,x,0),(b,x,1),(b,y,0),(b,y,1),(c,x,0),(c,x,1),(c,y,0),(c,y,1)\}$
- (b) 34b:  $C \times B \times A$ :  $\{(0,x,a),(0,x,b),(0,x,c),(0,y,a),(0,y,b),(0,y,c),(1,x,a),(1,x,b),(1,x,c),(1,y,a),(1,y,b),(1,y,c),\}$

Chapter 2.2

1. **Question 4:**

- (a) 4c: There are no elements that result, hence there is an empty set,  $\emptyset$ .
- (b) 4d:  $\{f,g,h\}$

2. **Question 8:** Prove the idempotent laws in Table 1 by showing that

- (a) 8a:  $A \cup A = A$ ,  $A \cap A = \{x \mid x \in A \vee x \in A\}$ , and lets set  $T$  as  $(\{x \in A\})$ ,  $\{x \mid T \vee T\}$ ,  $\{x \mid T\}$ ,  $A$ , which means that  $A \cup A = A$ .

- (b) 8b:  $A \cap A = A$ ,  $A \cap A = \{x \mid x \in A \wedge x \in A\}$ , and let's set  $T$  as  $(\{x \in A\})$ ,  $\{x \mid T \wedge T\}$ ,  $\{x \mid T\}$ ,  $A$ , which means that  $A \cap A = A$ .

**3. Question 10:**

- (a) 10a:  $A - \emptyset = A$ ,  $A = \{1,2\}$ ,  $\emptyset$ ,  $\{1,2\} - \{\} = \{1,2\}$ ; hence it is equal to  $A$ .  
(b) 10b:  $\emptyset - A = \emptyset$ ,  $A = \{1,2\}$ ,  $\emptyset$ ,  $\{\} - \{1,2\} = \{\}$ ; hence it is equal to  $\emptyset$ .