## WORKSHOP 8: §3.1-3.4 FEBRUARY 7, 2017

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- (1) If  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  $B = \{x : x \text{ is prime}\}$ ,  $C = \{1, 2, 5, 6\}$ , find
  - (a) A B
  - (b)  $(A \oplus C) \cap B$
  - (c)  $B (A \cup C)$
  - (d)  $(B-A) \cup (B-C)$  [Is this the same as the last one? Does (always) distribute across  $\cup$ ?]
- (2) The predicate " $A \subseteq B$ " is defined as  $\forall x \ (x \in A \to x \in B)$  (where the domain of discourse is whatever universal set happens to be implied). Write the negation, i.e. the definition of " $A \not\subseteq B$ ." Interpret the result in plain English.
- (3) Use the previous problem to prove that for every set  $B, \varnothing \subseteq B$ .
- (4) Set builder notation. Many sets are defined using the notation  $\{x : P(x)\}$  for predicate P. This is sometimes called the *truth set* of P, because it consists of all the objects x that make the predicate P true. In this problem, we will denote this set by TS(P). When P can be expressed in terms of smaller predicates, TS(P) can be built with corresponding set operations.

For example,  $TS(P \vee Q) = \{x : P(x) \vee Q(x)\} = \{x : P(x)\} \cup \{x : Q(x)\} = TS(P) \cup TS(Q)$ . Rewrite each of the following in terms of the truth sets of P and Q.

- (a)  $TS(P \wedge Q)$
- (b)  $TS(\neg P)$
- (c)  $TS(P \rightarrow Q)$
- (d)  $TS(P \oplus Q)$
- (e)  $TS(P \leftrightarrow Q)$

The most common way to prove that two sets A and B are equal is to show that  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq A$ . [Why is this equivalent to the text's definition,  $\forall x \ (x \in A \leftrightarrow x \in B)$ ?]

- (5) Prove the distributive law  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$ .
- (6) Prove the domination law  $A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$ .
- (7) Prove that the symmetric difference is associative:  $A \oplus (B \oplus C) = (A \oplus B) \oplus C$ . (At some point in the proof, use cases.) Use your proof to describe the elements of this set.