

Mathematical Analysis Exercises

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Basic Set Theory

Exercise 0.3.6

1. Prove $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

(a) Prove $A \cap (B \cup C) \subset (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } x \in A \cap (B \cup C) &\implies x \in A \text{ and } (x \in B \text{ or } x \in C) \\ &\implies (x \in A \text{ and } x \in B) \text{ or } (x \in A \text{ and } x \in C) \\ \therefore A \cap (B \cup C) &\subset (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Prove $(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) \subset A \cap (B \cup C)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } x \in (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) &\implies (x \in A \text{ and } x \in B) \text{ or } (x \in A \text{ and } x \in C) \\ &\implies x \in A \text{ or } (x \in B \text{ and } x \in C) \\ \therefore (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) &\subset A \cap (B \cup C) \end{aligned}$$

(c) Thus $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$ \square

2. Prove $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$

(a) Prove $A \cup (B \cap C) \subset (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } x \in A \cup (B \cap C) &\implies x \in A \text{ or } (x \in B \text{ and } x \in C) \\ &\implies (x \in A \text{ or } x \in B) \text{ and } (x \in A \text{ or } x \in C) \\ \therefore A \cup (B \cap C) &\subset (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Prove $(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) \subset A \cup (B \cap C)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } x \in (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) &\implies (x \in A \text{ or } x \in B) \text{ and } (x \in A \text{ or } x \in C) \\ &\implies x \in A \text{ or } (x \in B \text{ and } x \in C) \\ \therefore (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C) &\subset A \cup (B \cap C) \end{aligned}$$

(c) Thus $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$ \square

Exercise 0.3.11

Prove by induction that $n < 2^n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

1. Step 1: $n = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &< 2^1 \\ 1 &< 2 \end{aligned}$$

2. Step 2: Assume $k < 2^k$. Prove that $n < 2^n$ holds for $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} k + 1 &< 2^{k+1} \\ k &< 2^k \cdot 2^1 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

3. If $k < 2^k$ then $2 \cdot 2^k - 1 > k \square$

Exercise 0.3.12

Show that for a finite set A of cardinality n , the cardinality of $\mathcal{P}(A)$ is 2^n .

1. Step 1: $n = 1$ $|A| = 1, |\mathcal{P}(A)| = 2^1 = 2$
2. Step 2: Assume $k = n + 1$. Prove that $|A| = k$ and $\{a\} \in A$, then $n = |A \setminus \{a\}|, |\mathcal{P}(A \setminus \{a\})| = 2^n$