

# Math 13 - Week 2: Sets

1. Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  are finite sets. Given that  $|A| = 10$ ,  $|A \cup B| = 15$ , and  $|A \cap B| = 3$ , determine  $|B|$ .
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Consider the sets  $A = \{a \in \mathbb{Z} : a \text{ is divisible by } 2\}$  and  $B = \{b \in \mathbb{Z} : b \text{ is divisible by } 3\}$ . What is the set  $A \cap B$ ?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. True or false
  - (a) If  $A$  and  $B$  are finite sets, then  $A \cap B$  has strictly smaller cardinality than that of  $A$ .
  - (b) If  $A$  is a finite set then  $A^C$  is a finite set.
  - (c) If  $A$  and  $B$  are finite sets, then  $|A \cup B| \leq \max(|A|, |B|)$ .
  - (d)  $2^{A \cap B} = 2^A \cap 2^B$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are finite sets
  - (e)  $2^{A \cup B} = 2^A \cup 2^B$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are finite sets
  - (f)  $2^{A \Delta B} = 2^A \Delta 2^B$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are finite sets

4. Let  $A$  be a set. Which of the following are true and which are false?

(a)  $x \in A \iff x \in 2^A$

(b)  $T \subseteq A \iff T \in 2^A$

(c)  $x \in A \iff \{x\} \in 2^A$

(d)  $\{x\} \in A \iff \{\{x\}\} \in 2^A$ .

5. For any sets of real numbers  $A$  and  $B$ , define  $AB = \{ab : a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$ . If  $A = \{1, 2\}$  and  $B = \{2, 3, 4\}$ , what is  $|AB|$ ? What is  $|A \times B|$ ?

6. For any sets of real numbers  $A$  and  $B$ , define their *sumset*  $A+B = \{a+b : a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$ .

(a) Suppose  $A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 12\}$ . What is  $|A + A|$ ?

(b) Suppose  $A = \{2, 4, 6, \dots, 12\}$ . What is  $|A + A|$ ?

(c) Suppose  $A = \{1, 3, 4, 5, 12\}$ . What is  $|A + A|$ ?

(d) Can you come up with a guess for when  $|A + A|$  is “big” compared to  $|A|$ ?