Munkres Topology Solutions

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Chapter 1

Set Theory and Logic

1.1 Fundamental Concepts

Exercise 1.1.1

We will check \cup , \cap in DeMorgan's laws.

Let's use

- $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
- $B = \{-1, 2, 3, 5\}$
- $C = \{3, 9, 11\}$

Check

$$A - (B \cup C) = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} - \{-1, 2, 3, 5, 9, 11\}$$
$$= \{1, 4\}$$
$$= (A - B) \cap (A - C)$$
$$= \{1, 4\} \cap \{1, 2, 4\} = \{1, 4\}$$

$$A - (B \cap C) = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} - \{3\}$$

$$= \{1, 2, 4\}$$

$$= (A - B) \cup (A - C)$$

$$= \{1, 4\} \cup \{1, 2, 4\} = \{1, 2, 4\}$$

Exercise 1.1.2

- (a) \implies is true. \iff is not true, consider $A = \{1, 2, 3\}, B = \{1, 3\}, C = \{2\}.$
- (b) \implies is true. \iff is not true, consider $A = \{1, 2, 3\}, B = \{1, 3\}, C = \{2\}.$
- (c) True.
- (d) \implies is not true. Consider $A = \{1\} \subset B = \{1, 2\}, C = \emptyset$. \iff is true.
- (e) Not true. Consider $A = \{1\}, B = \{2\}$. I think \subset works.
- (f) Not true. Consider $A = \{1, 2\}, B = \{2, 3\}$. LHS is equivalent to A, so this should be \supset .
- (g) True.
- (h) ⊃

- (i) True.
- (j) True.
- (k) Not true, if $A = \emptyset$ for example, we have $(A \times B) \subset (C \times D) = \emptyset \subset (C \times D)$, but we can set B to whatever and this statement is still true, so we can make B have an element that is not in D, and therefore $B \not\subset D$.
- (l) True.
- (m) C
- (n) C
- (o) True.
- (p) I think this is true at first glance...at least \subset looks good.
- (q) >

Exercise 1.1.3

- (a) Original: If x < 0 then $x^2 x > 0$. True.
 - Contrapositive: If $x^2 x \le 0$ then $x \ge 0$. True.
 - Converse: If $x^2 x > 0$ then x < 0. False.

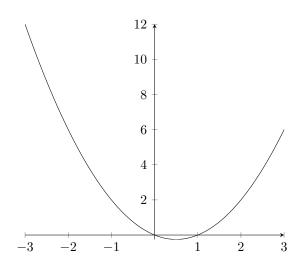


Figure 1.1: Showing how to visualize where $x^2 - x > 0$

- (b) Original: If x > 0 then $x^2 x > 0$. False.
 - Contrapositive: If $x^2 x \le 0$ then $x \le 0$. False.
 - Converse: If $x^2 x > 0$ then x > 0. False.

Exercise 1.1.4

- (a) $\exists a \in A \text{ such that } a^2 \notin B$
- (b) $\forall a \in A, a^2 \notin B$
- (c) $\exists a \in A \text{ such that } a^2 \in B$.
- (d) $\exists a \notin A \text{ such that } a^2 \notin B$.

Exercise 1.1.5

(a) True. True.

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- (b) False. True.
- (c) True. False.
- (d) True. True.

Exercise 1.1.6

TODO too lazy

Exercise 1.1.7

$$D = A \cap (B \cup C)$$
$$E = (A \cap B) \cup C$$
$$F = A$$

For F, I was thinking $x \in B \implies x \in C$ means that either $x \in B$ and $x \in C$, or $x \notin B$ and x can be anything. This sounds like x can be anything in the second case, so we have $A \cap \mathcal{U} = A$.

Exercise 1.1.8

$$A = \{0, 1\}. \ \mathcal{P}(A) = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{0, 1\}\}.$$

If A has one element, $|\mathcal{P}(A)| = 2$. It is called the power set because it contains all the subsets of A, and that $|\mathcal{P}(A)| = 2^{|A|}$.

Exercise 1.1.9

TODO: You can honestly find this everywhere online. Standard proof.

Exercise 1.1.10

- (a) $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{R}$
- (b) $\mathbb{R} \times (0,1]$
- (c) No. You can do a contradiction proof with cases that the first and second set are disjoint, and then that they are not disjoint.
- (d) Yes, $(\mathbb{R} \mathbb{Z}) \times \mathbb{Z}$
- (e) No. The cartesian product will produce a box, while this set is a circle.