Homework 2

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Section 2.1

Exercise 11

Determine whether each of these statements is true or false.

(a) $0 \in \emptyset$

(b) $\emptyset \in \{0\}$

(c) $\{0\} \subset \emptyset$

(d) $\emptyset \subset \{0\}$

(e) $\{0\} \in \{0\}$

(f) $\{0\} \subset \{0\}$

(g) $\{\emptyset\} \subseteq \{\emptyset\}$

Solution

(a) $0 \in \emptyset$: This statement is false because $\emptyset$ has no elements so 0 can not be an element of the empty set.

(b) $\emptyset \in \{0\}$: This statement is false because $\emptyset$ is not an element in set $\{0\}$.

(c) $\{0\} \subset \emptyset$: This statement is false because $\emptyset$ has no elements so that $\{0\}$ can not be a subset of $\emptyset$.

(d) $\emptyset \subset \{0\}$: This statement is true because $\emptyset$ is one of the two sets that every nonempty set is guaranteed to have.

(e) $\{0\} \in \{0\}$: This statement is false because $\{0\}$ is an element of $\{\{0\}\}$ not an element of $\{0\}$.

(f) $\{0\} \subset \{0\}$: This statement is false because the two set all have the same elements 0 so that is must be $\subseteq$.

(g) $\{\emptyset\} \subseteq \{\emptyset\}$: This statement is true because both singleton set have the same element $\emptyset$. Therefore, this statement is true.

Exercise 12

Determine whether these statements are true or false.

(a) $\emptyset \in \{\emptyset\}$

(b) $\emptyset \in \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$

(c) $\{\emptyset\} \in \{\emptyset\}$

(d) $\{\emptyset\} \in \{\{\emptyset\}\}$

(e) $\{\emptyset\} \subset \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$

(f) $\{\{\emptyset\}\} \subset \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$

(g) $\{\{\emptyset\}\} \subset \{\{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset\}\}$

Solution

(a) $\emptyset \in \{\emptyset\}$: This statement is true because $\emptyset$ is an element of a singleton set contains element $\emptyset$.

(b) $\emptyset \in \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$: This statement is true because $\emptyset$ is an element of the set $\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$.

(c) $\{\emptyset\} \in \{\emptyset\}$: This statement is false because $\emptyset$ must be an element of $\{\{\emptyset\}\}$.

(d) $\{\emptyset\} \in \{\{\emptyset\}\}$: This statement is true because the set $\{\{\emptyset\}\}$ contains $\{\emptyset\}$.

(e) $\{\emptyset\} \subset \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$: This statement is true because $\emptyset$ is an element is the set $\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$ so the set contains $\emptyset$ is a subset of $\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$.

(f) $\{\{\emptyset\}\} \subset \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$: This statement is true and its reason is the same as problem (e).

(g) $\{\{\emptyset\}\} \subset \{\{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset\}\}$: We can see that the set $\{\{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset\}\}$ has two elements which are equal to each other. Therefore, we can simplify it to $\{\{\emptyset\}\}$. Therefore, this statement is false because these sets are equal to each other so it must be $\subseteq$ instead of $\subset$.

Exercise 13

Determine whether each of these statements is true or false.

(a) $x \in \{x\}$

(b) $\{x\} \subseteq \{x\}$

(c) $\{x\} \in \{x\}$

(d) $\{x\} \in \{\{x\}\}$

(e) $\emptyset \subseteq \{x\}$

(f) $\emptyset \in \{x\}$

Solution

(a) $x \in \{x\}$: This statement is true because x is an element in set x.

(b) $\{x\} \subseteq \{x\}$: This statement is true.

(c) $\{x\} \in \{x\}$: This statement is false because x is an element of $\{\{x\}\}$ not $\{x\}$.

(d) $\{x\} \in \{\{x\}\}$: This statement is true due to the reason from problem(c).

(e) $\emptyset \subseteq \{x\}$: This statement is true according to **Theorem 1**.

(f) $\emptyset \in \{x\}$: This statement is false because $\emptyset$ is not an element of set $\{x\}$.

Exercise 26

Determine whether each of these sets is the power set of a set, where a and b are distinct elements.

(a) $\emptyset$

(b) $\{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$

(c) $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{\emptyset, a\}\}$

(d) $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$

Solution

The set(d) is the power set of set {a, b} because the set has two elements a and b so that its power set has $2^2 = 4$ elements, which has the same number of elements of set(d).

$$\mathcal{P}(\{a, b\}) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, b\}\}$$

Exercise 27

Prove that $\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B)$ if and only if $A \subseteq B$.

Solution

There are two things we need to prove:

$$(\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B) \rightarrow A \subseteq B) \wedge (A \subseteq B \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B))$$

- $\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B) \rightarrow A \subseteq B$:

  $\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B)$ means that every element of power set A is also an element of power set B. Addtionally, we all know that power set of a set has 2^n elements created from the combinations of all the elements from the original set. Because all every element of power set A is also an element of power set B so we can infer that the element of set A is also an element of set B because they have the same combinations in the power set. Therefore, this case is true.

- $A \subseteq B \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B)$

  $A \subseteq B$ means that every element of A is also an element of B. Because A and B have the same element so that there combinations of elements of these two sets will be the same. Therefore, the elements power set of A and B will be the same because both of them contain all subsets of A and B(We have that $A \subseteq B$). Therefore, this case is true.

Because both cases are true so that $(\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B) \rightarrow A \subseteq B) \wedge (A \subseteq B \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B))$ is true and it is equivalent to $\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B) \leftrightarrow A \subseteq B$.

Exercise 28

Show that if $A \subseteq C$ and $B \subseteq D$, then $A \times B \subseteq C \times D$

Solution

Because A is a subset of C and B is a subset of D. Suppose that we have set A, B, C and D:

- $A = \{a, b\}$
- $B = \{c, d\}$
- $C = \{a, b\}$
- $D = \{c, d\}$

We have that:

$$A \times B = \{(a, c), (a, d), (b, c), (b, d)\}$$
$$C \times D = \{(a, c), (a, d), (b, c), (b, d)\}$$

After using **Cartesian Product** to calculate $A \times B$, $C \times D$, we can see that every element $A \times B$ is also the element of $C \times D$. Therefore, we can infer that $A \times B \subseteq C \times D$.

Exercise 41

Explain why $A \times B \times C$ and $(A \times B) \times C$ are not the same.

Solution

Let $A = \{0, 1\}, B = \{1, 2\}, C = \{0, 1, 2\}$

$$\begin{aligned} A \times B \times C = \{&(0,1,0),(0,1,1),(0,1,2),(0,2,0),(0,2,1),\\ &(0,2,2),(1,1,0),(1,1,1),(1,1,2),(1,2,0),(1,2,1),(1,2,2)\} \\ A \times B = \{&(0,1),(0,2),(1,1),(1,2)\} \\ (A \times B) \times C = \{&((0,1),0,),((0,1),1),((0,1),2),((0,2),0),((0,2),1),\\ &((0,2),2),((1,1),0),((1,1),1),((1,1),2),((1,2),0),((1,2),1),((1,2),2)\} \end{aligned}$$

As we can see that $A \times B \times C$ gives us a set of 3-tuples has a form (a, b, c) with $a \in A, b \in B, c \in C$. However, $(A \times B) \times C$ gives us a set of 2-tuples has a form ((a, b), c) with $(a, b) \in A \times B$ and $c \in C$. This is different from $A \times B \times C$ because $A \times B \times C$ is a 3-tuples but $(A \times B) \times C$ is a 2-tuples which has the first element is a ordered pair of $A \times B$. Therefore, $A \times B \times C$ is different from $(A \times B) \times C$

Exercise 42

Explain why$(A \times B) \times (C \times D)$and $A \times (B \times C) \times D$ are not the same.

Solution

Let a, b, c, d are elements of set A, B, C, D respectively. Therefore, we have that $a \in A, b \in B, c \in C, d \in D$. We get that $A \times B$ will be a set consists ordered pairs (a, b) and $C \times D$ also consists ordered pair (c, d). Because (a,b) and (c,d) is an element of set $A \times B$ and $C \times D$. Therefore, if we do the Cartesian product $(A \times B) \times (C \times D)$. The result will be a new set consists ordered pair ((a,b),(c,d)) which has the two elements are two ordered pairs from $A \times B$ and $C \times D$.

However, $A \times (B \times C) \times D$ is completely different. We get $B \times C$ will be a set consists ordered pair (b, c) and continue to calculate $A \times (B \times C) \times D$, we will get a new set consists 3-tuples (a,(b,c),d) with the fist element is an element $\in A$, the second element is the element $\in (B \times C)$, and the last element is an element $\in D$.

Therefore, we can infer that $(A \times B) \times (C \times D)$ and $A \times (B \times C) \times D$ are different.

Exercise 43

Prove or disprove that if A and B are sets, then $\mathcal{P}(A \times B) = \mathcal{P}(A) \times \mathcal{P}(B)$

Solution

Let $A = \{0, 1\}$ and $B = 1, 2$. Therefore, we get that $|A| = |B| = 2$ and $|A \times B| = |A| \times |B| = 2 \times 2 = 4$. Because $A \times B$ has 4 elements so that $\mathcal{P}(A)$ will have $2^{|A| \times |B|} = 2^4 = 16$. However, we get that $|\mathcal{P}(A)| = 2^{|A|} = 2^2 = 4$ and $|\mathcal{P}(B)| = 2^{|B|} = 2^2 = 4$ and

$$|\mathcal{P}(A) \times \mathcal{P}(B)| = 2^{|A|} \times 2^{|B|} = 2^{|A|+|B|} = 2^4 = 16$$

Although the result of $|\mathcal{P}(A \times B)|$ and $|\mathcal{P}(A) \times \mathcal{P}(B)|$ are both equal to 16 but the way they give the result 16 are completely different.

$$|\mathcal{P}(A \times B)| = 2^{|A| \times |B|} = 2^4 = 16$$
$$|\mathcal{P}(A) \times \mathcal{P}(B)| = 2^{|A|+|B|} = 16$$

Because $2^{|A| \times |B|} \neq 2^{|A|+|B|}$ so we can conclude that $\mathcal{P}(A \times B) \neq \mathcal{P}(A) \times \mathcal{P}(B)$

Exercise 44

Prove or disprove that if A, B, and C are nonempty sets and $A \times B = A \times C$, then $B = C$.