

CSE 2500-03: Homework 6  
Due December 6, 2017  
(before start of lecture)

December 15, 2017

1. (10 points) Let  $A = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} | n = 5r \text{ for some integer } r\}$  and  $B = \{m \in \mathbb{Z} | m = 20s \text{ for some integer } s\}$ . Is  $A \subseteq B$ ?, explain. Is  $B \subseteq A$ ?, explain.
2. (10 points) Let  $A = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $B = \{b, c, d\}$ , and  $C = \{b, c, e\}$ .
  - (a) Find  $A \cap (B \cup C)$ ,  $(A \cap B) \cup C$  and  $(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$ . Which of these sets are equal?
  - (b) Find  $(A - B) - C$  and  $A - (B - C)$ . Are these two sets equal?
3. (10 points) Let  $S_i = \{x \in \mathbb{R} | 1 < x < 1 + \frac{1}{i}\} = (1, 1 + \frac{1}{i})$  for all positive integers  $i$ .
  - (a) What is  $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} S_i$ ?
  - (b) What is  $\cap_{i=1}^{\infty} S_i$ ?
4. (6 points) Is  $\{\{5, 4\}, \{7, 2\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{6, 8\}\}$  a partition of  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8\}$ ?  
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5. (4 points) Find  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\emptyset)))$ .
6. (10 points) Let  $A_1 = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $A_2 = \{u, v\}$  and  $A_3 = \{m, n\}$ . Find the following sets:
  - (a)  $(A_1 \times A_2) \times A_3$ .
  - (b)  $A_1 \times A_2 \times A_3$ .How are these sets different?
7. (10 points) Use an elementary argument to prove the following statement. You may assume that all subsets are sets of a universal set  $U$ . It may be helpful to proceed by division into cases.  
For all sets  $A, B$ , and  $C$ , if  $A \subseteq C$  and  $B \subseteq C$  then  $A \cup B \subseteq C$ .
8. (10 points) Use the element method for proving a set equals the empty set to prove that :  
For all sets  $A, B$ , and  $C$ , if  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \cap C = \emptyset$  then  $A \cap C = \emptyset$ .

You may assume that all sets are subsets of a universal set  $U$  and you may wish to proceed by contradiction.

9. (10 points) Use the element method for proving a set equals the empty set to prove that :

For all sets  $A, B,$  and  $C,$  if  $B \cap C \subseteq A,$  then  $(C - A) \cap (B - A) = \emptyset.$

You may assume that all sets are subsets of a universal set  $U$  and you may wish to proceed by contradiction.

10. (10 points) Construct an algebraic proof for the following (cite a set identity to justify each step):

For all sets  $A, B,$  and  $C,$

$$(A - B) - (B - C) = A - B.$$

Recall that you must show the two sets are equal.

11. (10 points) Simplify the expression citing a set identity in each step:

$$((A \cap (B \cap C)) \cap (A - B)) \cap (B \cup C^c).$$

## 1 Suggested Problems

1. Derive the set identity  $A \cup (A \cap B) = A$  from other set identities. Start by showing that for all subsets  $B$  of a universal set  $U,$   $U \cup B = U.$
2. Define  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}.$  What is  $\mathcal{P}(A)?$  What is  $|\mathcal{P}(A)|?$
3. Show that  $|\mathbb{Z}^+| = |\mathbb{Z}|.$
4. Show that if  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq C,$  then  $A \subseteq C.$
5. Show that for any  $A,$   $A - A = \emptyset.$
6. Define two partitions of the integers where each part of the partition has an infinite number of elements.