

SOLUTION.

MA 387

Exam 1

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1. (15) Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $B = \{3, 4\}$. Find each of the following sets.

(a) $A \cap \overline{B} = \{1, 2\}$

(b) $\mathcal{P}(A) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$

(c) $A \times B = \{\langle 1, 3 \rangle, \langle 1, 4 \rangle, \langle 2, 3 \rangle, \langle 2, 4 \rangle, \langle 3, 3 \rangle, \langle 3, 4 \rangle\}$

2. (10) Prove that for all sets A , B , and C , if $B \subseteq C$ then $A - C \subseteq A - B$.

proof: Suppose $B \subseteq C$.

$$\begin{aligned}x \in A - C &\rightarrow x \in A \wedge x \notin C \text{ (Def of } A - C\text{)} \\ &\rightarrow x \in A \wedge x \notin B \text{ (because } B \subseteq C\text{)} \\ &\rightarrow x \in A - B \text{ (Def of } A - B\text{)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore A - C \subseteq A - B$$

3. (15) Prove that for all sets A and B ,

$$(A - \bar{B}) \cup (\bar{B} - A) = \overline{(A \cap B)} - \overline{(A \cup B)}.$$

$$\text{R.S.} = (A \cup \bar{B}) \cap (\bar{A} \cup B) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{De Morgan's Rule \& The} \\ \text{def of } - \& \text{The Rule of double} \\ \text{negation} \end{array} \right].$$

$$= (A \cap \bar{A}) \cup (A \cap B) \cup (\bar{B} \cap \bar{A}) \cup (\bar{B} \cap B) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Distributive} \\ \text{Rule} \end{array} \right].$$

$$= (A \cap B) \cup (\bar{B} \cap \bar{A}) \quad [A \cap \bar{A} = \bar{B} \cap B = \emptyset].$$

$$= (A - \bar{B}) \cup (\bar{B} - \bar{A}) \quad [\text{Def of } -]$$

$$= (A - \bar{B}) \cup (\bar{B} - A) \quad [\text{Rule of Double negation}]$$

$$= \text{L.S.}$$

4. (10) Show that the following statement is NOT a theorem of set theory: For all sets A , B , and C , if $B \subseteq \overline{C \cup A}$ and $C \subseteq \overline{B \cup A}$ then $C = \emptyset$.

$$\text{Let } A = \{1\}, B = \{2\}, \& C = \{3\}.$$

$$C \cup A = \{1, 3\} \& B \subseteq \overline{C \cup A}$$

$$B \cup A = \{1, 2\} \& C \subseteq \overline{B \cup A}$$

$$\text{but } C \neq \emptyset$$

5. (10) If $f(x) = 7\sqrt{x^2 + 1}$, express f as the composition of four functions, none of which is the identity function.

Let $f_1(x) = 7x$, $f_2(x) = \sqrt{x}$, $f_3(x) = x + 1$, $f_4(x) = x^2$

Then $f(x) = f_1 \circ f_2 \circ f_3 \circ f_4(x)$

6. (15) Show that if R is an equivalence relation, then $R \circ R^{-1} = R$.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x, y \rangle \in R \circ R^{-1} & \text{ iff } (\exists z)(\langle x, z \rangle \in R^{-1} \wedge \langle z, y \rangle \in R) \text{ Def. of } \circ \\ & \text{ iff } (\exists z)(\langle z, x \rangle \in R \wedge \langle z, y \rangle \in R) \text{ Def. of } R^{-1} \\ & \text{ iff } (\exists z)(\langle x, z \rangle \in R \wedge \langle z, y \rangle \in R) \text{ } R \text{ is symmetric} \\ & \rightarrow \langle x, y \rangle \in R \text{ } R \text{ is transitive.} \end{aligned}$$

If $\langle x, y \rangle \in R$ then $\langle y, y \rangle \in R$ because R is reflexive.

$\therefore \langle y, x \rangle \in R$ because R is symmetric

$\therefore \langle x, y \rangle \in R^{-1}$ by the definition of R^{-1} .

$\therefore \langle x, y \rangle \in R^{-1}$ and $\langle y, y \rangle \in R$, so by

the definition of \circ , $\langle x, y \rangle \in R \circ R^{-1}$.

$$\therefore R \circ R^{-1} = R$$

7. (15) Prove that for all sets A and B , $\bigcap U\langle A, B \rangle = A \cap B$.

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \{ \{A\}, \{A, B\} \}.$$

$$U\langle A, B \rangle = \{A\} \cup \{A, B\} = \{A, B\}.$$

$$\bigcap U\langle A, B \rangle = \bigcap \{A, B\} = A \cap B.$$

8. (10) Suppose that A is a set of functions that is linearly ordered by the subset relation, \subseteq , prove that $\bigcup A$ is a function.

$\bigcup A$ is a set of ordered pairs.

Suppose $\langle x_1, y \rangle, \langle x_2, y \rangle \in \bigcup A$. (show $x_1 = x_2$)

Then $(\exists f_1 \in A)(\langle x_1, y \rangle \in f_1)$ and

$(\exists f_2 \in A)(\langle x_2, y \rangle \in f_2)$.

Since A is linearly ordered by \subseteq , either

(1) $f_1 \subseteq f_2$ or (2) $f_2 \subseteq f_1$.

If (1) holds then $\langle x_1, y \rangle + \langle x_2, y \rangle$ both belong to f_2 which contradicts the fact that

f_2 is a function if $x_1 \neq x_2$.

The proof is similar if (2) holds.