

Math 135: Discrete Mathematics, Spring 2010

Homework 2

Due *in class* on Friday, Feb. 12, 2010

For this homework, you may write up solutions with 1 partner; both of you will receive the same grade based on your joint writeup. Please make sure to read the course policies on homework *before* writing up your homework.

1. Prove or disprove the following:

(a) $A \times (B \cup C) = (A \times B) \cap (A \times C)$

(b) $(A - C) \cap (C - B) = \emptyset$

(c) If $\mathcal{P}(A) = \mathcal{P}(B)$, then $A = B$.

(d) If $A \cap C = B \cap C$, then $A = B$.

2. (a) Prove that if A and B are sets, then $\mathcal{P}(A) \cup \mathcal{P}(B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$.

(b) Give a counterexample for the following statement: if A and B are sets, then $\mathcal{P}(A) \cup \mathcal{P}(B) = \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$.

3. If A and B are sets, then the *symmetric difference* of A and B is written $A \triangle B$ and is defined to be $(A - B) \cup (B - A)$. Prove that if A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n are sets, then

$$(((A_1 \triangle A_2) \triangle A_3) \cdots \triangle A_{n-1}) \triangle A_n = \{x : x \text{ is in an odd number of the sets } A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}.$$

Hint: Think induction!

4. For the following functions, decide whether each one is one-to-one, onto, and bijective, and prove each of your answers.

(a) $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, with $f(x) = x^2 + 1$

(b) $f : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, with $f(m, n) = 2m - n$

(c) $f : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, with $f(m, n) = m^2 - n^2$

5. Give an example of a function from \mathbb{N} to \mathbb{N} which is:

(a) one-to-one but not onto

(b) onto but not one-to-one

(c) both onto and one-to-one (but NOT the identity function)

(d) neither one-to-one or onto

6. Let f be a function from the set A to the set B . Let S and T be subsets of A .
- (a) Prove that $f(S \cup T) = f(S) \cup f(T)$
 - (b) Prove that $f(S \cap T) \subseteq f(S) \cap f(T)$
 - (c) Give an example to show that the inclusion from part (b) may be proper - in other words, give examples of sets and a function where $f(S \cap T) \subset f(S) \cap f(T)$