

## Homework 6 (Due Tues, March 11)

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Using the proof techniques we have learned in class, prove each statement.

1. Let  $A, B, C$  be sets. Prove the following:

- (a)  $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$
- (b)  $A - (B \cup C) = (A - B) \cap (A - C)$
- (c)  $(A \cup B)' = A' \cap B'$

2. Let  $A$  be a set and  $\{B_i\}_{i \in I}$  an indexed family of sets. Prove the following:

$$\left( \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i \right) \cap A = \bigcup_{i \in I} (B_i \cap A).$$

3. \* Let  $A$  be a set and let  $\{B_i\}_{i \in I}$  be an indexed family of sets. Prove the following is true.

$$A - \bigcup_{i \in I} B_i = \bigcap_{i \in I} (A - B_i)$$

4. Show that if  $A \subset B$  then  $\mathcal{P}(A) \subset \mathcal{P}(B)$ . ( $\mathcal{P}(A)$  is the power set of  $A$ .)

5. Let  $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$ . In each case, give an example of a relation  $R$  on  $S$  that has the stated properties.

- (a)  $R$  is not symmetric, not reflexive, and not transitive.
- (b)  $R$  is transitive and reflexive, but not symmetric.

6. \* A relation  $R$  is *antisymmetric* if  $xRy$  and  $yRx$  together imply that  $x = y$ . A relation  $R$  on  $S$  is a *partial ordering* if  $R$  is reflexive, antisymmetric, and transitive. For example, the relation “ $\leq$ ” on  $\mathbb{R}$  is a partial ordering. Show that each of the following is a partial ordering.

- (a) The inclusion relation “ $\subseteq$ ” on the power set of a given set  $A$ .
- (b) The divisibility relation on  $\mathbb{N}$ . (If  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ , define  $a \mid b$  to mean that  $b = a \cdot q$  for some  $q \in \mathbb{N}$ .)

7. Determine each of the following sets.

- (a)  $\mathcal{P}(\{2\})$
- (b)  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\{2\}))$
- (c)  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\{2\})))$

8. Given any two sets  $S$  and  $T$ , the *Cartesian product* of  $S$  and  $T$  is the new set  $S \times T$  defined by

$$S \times T = \{(s, t) : s \in S, t \in T\}.$$

If  $S$  and  $T$  are sets,  $A \subseteq S$  and  $B \subseteq T$ , prove that  $A \times B \subseteq S \times T$ .

9. \* Prove that  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint if and only if  $A \subseteq B'$ .
10. Prove or give a counterexample to the assertion  $A \cup (B - A) = B$ .