

MHF 4102 - AX. SET THEORY
PROBLEMS FOR CHAPTER 1

- Prove the following directly from the definitions

(a) $X \cup (Y \cap Z) = (X \cup Y) \cap (X \cup Z)$	(c) $X - Y = X - (X \cap Y)$
(b) $X \cap (Y \cup Z) = (X \cap Y) \cup (X \cap Z)$	
- If X and Y are both subsets of Z prove that

(a) $Z - (X \cup Y) = (Z - X) \cap (Z - Y)$	(c) $Z - (Z - X) = X$
(b) $Z - (X \cap Y) = (Z - X) \cup (Z - Y)$	
- Find

(a) $\{\emptyset\} - \emptyset$	(d) $\{\{\emptyset\}\} - \{\emptyset\}$
(b) $\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} - \{\{\emptyset\}\}$	(e) $\{\{\emptyset\}\} \cup \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$
(c) $\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \cap \{\emptyset\}$	(f) $\{\emptyset\} - \{\{\emptyset\}\}$
- If x and Y are sets, what are

(a) $\cup \{x\}$	(c) $\cup \{x, y\}$	(e) $\cup \emptyset$
(b) $\cap \{x\}$	(d) $\cap \{x, y\}$	(f) $\cap \emptyset$?
- Let $\langle X_i : i \in I \rangle$ be a family of subsets of Z . Prove that

(a) $Z - \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i = \bigcap_{i \in I} (Z - X_i)$	(b) $Z - \bigcap_{i \in I} X_i = \bigcup_{i \in I} (Z - X_i)$
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- Let R and S be the binary relations on \mathbb{N} defined by

$a R b$	if	a is a multiple of b
$a S b$	if	a and b has no common factor.

Determine whether or not R and S are

(a) reflexive	(b) symmetric	(c) transitive
(d) connected	(e) anti-symmetric.	

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7. Let $A = \{1, 2\}$. Enumerate all the binary relations on A . (Hint: There are 16 of them)
8. Let $A = \{a, b\}$ and $B = \{1, 2, 3\}$.
- (a) How many functions are there from A to B ?
- (b) How many of these functions are injections?
9. (a) How many functions are there from $\{1, 2\}$ to \emptyset
- (b) " " " " " \emptyset to $\{1, 2\}$
- (c) " " " " " \emptyset to \emptyset
10. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function, and A and B be subsets of Y . Prove that
- (a) $f^{-1}[A \cup B] = f^{-1}[A] \cup f^{-1}[B]$
- (b) $f^{-1}[A \cap B] = f^{-1}[A] \cap f^{-1}[B]$
- (c) $f^{-1}[A - B] = f^{-1}[A] - f^{-1}[B]$.
11. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function and $A_i \subseteq Y$ for each $i \in I$. Which of the following are true
- (a) $f^{-1}[\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i] = \bigcup_{i \in I} f^{-1}[A_i]$
- (b) $f^{-1}[\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i] = \bigcap_{i \in I} f^{-1}[A_i]$?
12. Suppose $f: A \rightarrow B$ and $g: B \rightarrow C$ are both injective functions. Does it follow that $g \circ f: A \rightarrow C$ must also be an injective function.

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PROBLEMS FOR CHAPTER 2

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1. (a) Write down all the elements of V_4 in the cumulative hierarchy of sets.
 (b) Find a formula for the number of elements of V_n in terms of n only.

2. Write out each of the 10 axioms completely in the language of set theory. For example
Nullset Axiom: $(\exists x_1)(\forall x_2)(\neg(x_2 \in x_1))$
Extensionality Axiom:

$$(\forall x_1)(\forall x_2) \left((\forall x_3)(x_3 \in x_1 \rightarrow x_3 \in x_2) \ \& \ (\forall x_4)(x_4 \in x_2 \rightarrow x_4 \in x_1) \right) \rightarrow (x_1 = x_2)$$

3. Let V = collection of all sets. Prove that V is a proper class.
 (Hint: Use the separation axiom and the fact that $R = \{x: x \notin x\}$ is a proper class.)

4. Let \mathcal{A} be a class.
 (a) If \mathcal{A} is a set prove that \mathcal{A}^c is a proper class.
 (b) If \mathcal{A} is a proper class does it follow that \mathcal{A}^c is a set?

5. Prove that for any set A , $\mathcal{P}(A) \notin A$.
 (Hint: Let $D = \{a \in A: a \notin a\}$. Show that $D \in \mathcal{P}(A)$, but $D \notin A$.)

6. Use the Foundation axiom to show that there is no set x such that $x \in x$.

(Hint: Suppose x was a set such that $x \in x$. Let $A = \{x\}$. Show that A has no element a such that $a \cap A = \emptyset$.)

7. Let $\langle A, \leq \rangle$ be an ordered set. An element a is said to be a maximal element of A if there is no x in A with $a < x$.

Find the smallest ordered sets with

(a) 5 maximal elements and 3 minimal elements.

(b) 2 maximal elements and 4 minimal elements.

8. Let $\langle A, \leq \rangle$ be an ordered set such that any non-empty subset of A has a smallest element. Prove that " \leq " must be a linear ordering on A .

9. Let A be a non-empty set and R be the relation on A defined by aRb if $a \in b$.

(a) Is it possible for R to be transitive?

(b) Is R always irreflexive?

(c) Is it possible for R to be symmetric?

(d) Is it possible for R to be connected?

(e) Is R always asymmetric?

Def. R is irreflexive if $a \not R a$ for all $a \in A$.

1. Find a linearly ordered set $\langle L, < \rangle$ and an initial segment S of L such that S is not of the form $\{x : x < a\}$ with $a \in L$.
2. Find a linearly ordered set $\langle L, < \rangle$ and an increasing function $f: L \rightarrow L$ such that $f(x) > x$ for at least one $x \in L$ and $f(x) < x$ for at least one $x \in L$.
3. Explain why $\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\{\emptyset\}\}\}$ is not an ordinal
4. Prove that A is transitive if and only if $a \in A \Rightarrow a \subseteq A$.
5. Determine which of the following statements are true and which are not.
 - (a) If X and Y are transitive, so is $X \cap Y$.
 - (b) If X and Y are transitive, so is $X \cup Y$.
 - (c) If $X \in Y$ and Y is transitive, then X is transitive.
 - (d) If $X \subseteq Y$ and Y is transitive, then X is transitive.
 - (e) If every element in X is transitive, then X is transitive.
6. Prove that
 - (a) If \mathcal{A} is a set of ordinals, $\cup \mathcal{A}$ is an ordinal.
 - (b) If \mathcal{A} is a non-empty set of ordinals, then $\cap \mathcal{A}$ is an ordinal.

7. Recall that V_ω was defined inductively as follows:

$$V_0 = \emptyset$$

$$V_{n+1} = \mathcal{P}(V_n) \quad \text{for each new}$$

$$V_\omega = \bigcup_{\text{new}} V_n$$

Prove that

- (a) V_ω is transitive
- (b) $x \in V_\omega \Rightarrow \{x\} \in V_\omega$
- (c) $x \in V_\omega \Rightarrow x \cup \{x\} \in V_\omega$.

8. (a) Prove the associative law for ordinal mult.
 $(\alpha \cdot \beta) \cdot \gamma = \alpha \cdot (\beta \cdot \gamma)$

(b) Prove the following distributive law for ordinals
 $\alpha \cdot (\beta + \gamma) = (\alpha \cdot \beta) + (\alpha \cdot \gamma)$

9. Show that the following statements are not always true.

- (a) If $\alpha + \gamma = \beta + \gamma$, then $\alpha = \beta$
- (b) If $\gamma > 0$ and $\alpha \cdot \gamma = \beta \cdot \gamma$, then $\alpha = \beta$
- (c) $(\beta + \gamma) \cdot \alpha = (\beta \cdot \alpha) + (\gamma \cdot \alpha)$

10. Simplify:

(a) $(\omega + 2) + \omega$	(c) $(\omega + 2) \cdot (\omega + 3)$
(b) $\omega + \omega^2$	(d) $(\omega + 1)^2 \cdot \omega^3$

11. Prove that an ordinal α is a limit ordinal $\Leftrightarrow \alpha = \omega \cdot \beta$ for some ordinal β .

12. Find the smallest ordinal $\alpha \neq 0$ such that

- (a) $\omega + \alpha = \alpha$
- (b) $\omega \cdot \alpha = \alpha$
- (c) $\omega^\alpha = \alpha$.

1. Let $F(A, B)$ = set of all functions from A to B .
Prove that for any sets $A, B,$ & C
 - (a) $A \preceq F(A, A)$
 - (b) $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow F(A, C) \preceq F(B, C)$
 - (c) $|B| \geq 2 \Rightarrow A \preceq F(A, B)$
 - (d) $B \subseteq C \Rightarrow F(A, B) \preceq F(A, C)$

2. Prove that
 - (a) $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}) \approx F(\mathbb{N}, 2)$ (Remember $2 = \{0, 1\}$.)
 - (b) $F(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{N}) \approx F(\mathbb{N}, 2)$

3. Prove that
 - (a) $\mathbb{A} \approx \mathbb{N}$ (\mathbb{A} = set of alg. nos.)
 - (b) $\mathbb{R} \approx [0, 1)$
 - (c) $\mathbb{R} \approx F(\mathbb{N}, 2)$ Hint: Show that $[0, 1) \approx F(\mathbb{N}, 2)$

4. Let $\langle a_n \rangle_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be an infinite sequence of 0's and 1's. We say that $\langle a_n \rangle$ has finite support if the number of 1's in $\langle a_n \rangle$ is finite. Prove that
 - (a) the set of all sequences of 0's and 1's with finite support is equipotent to \mathbb{N} .
 - (b) the set of all finite subsets of \mathbb{N} is equipotent to \mathbb{N} .

5. Let $B(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{N})$ = set of all bijections from \mathbb{N} to \mathbb{N} .
Is $B(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{N}) \approx F(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{N})$?

6. For any cardinal numbers κ, μ, ν prove that
- (a) $\kappa + \mu = \mu + \kappa$
 - (b) $(\kappa + \mu) + \nu = \kappa + (\mu + \nu)$
 - (c) $\kappa + \kappa = 2 \cdot \kappa$
7. For any cardinal numbers κ, μ, ν prove that
- (a) $\kappa \cdot \mu = \mu \cdot \kappa$
 - (b) $(\kappa \cdot \mu) \cdot \nu = \kappa \cdot (\mu \cdot \nu)$
 - (c) $\kappa \cdot (\mu + \nu) = \kappa \cdot \mu + \kappa \cdot \nu$
8. For any cardinal number κ, μ, ν prove that
- (a) $\kappa \cdot \kappa = \kappa^2$
 - (b) $\kappa^{\mu + \nu} = \kappa^\mu \cdot \kappa^\nu$
 - (c) $(\kappa \cdot \mu)^\nu = \kappa^\nu \cdot \mu^\nu$
 - (d) $(\kappa^\mu)^\nu = \kappa^{\mu \cdot \nu}$
9. Determine which of the following are true
- (a) $\mu < \nu \Rightarrow \kappa + \mu < \kappa + \nu$
 - (b) $\mu < \nu \ \& \ \kappa > 0 \Rightarrow \kappa \cdot \mu < \kappa \cdot \nu$
 - (c) $\mu < \nu \ \& \ \kappa > 0 \Rightarrow \kappa^\mu < \kappa^\nu$
 - (d) $\mu < \nu \ \& \ \kappa > 1 \Rightarrow \kappa^\mu < \kappa^\nu$
10. List the following cardinals in increasing order
- $2^{\aleph_0}, \aleph_0 \cdot \aleph_0, 2^{\aleph_0}, \aleph_0^{\aleph_0}, 2^{\aleph_1}, \aleph_1^{\aleph_0}, \aleph_1^{\aleph_1}$

1. Evaluate (a) $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} n$ (c) $\prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (n+1)$

(b) $\sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{W}_1} |\alpha|$ (d) $\prod_{\alpha \in \mathbb{W}_1} |\alpha+1|$

2. Find two sequences of inf. cardinals $\langle \kappa_n \rangle$ and $\langle \mu_n \rangle$ such that $\kappa_n < \mu_n$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ but yet $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \kappa_n = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mu_n$

3. Let $\mathcal{P}_F(A) =$ set of all finite subsets of A . Prove that if A can be linearly ordered and $X \subseteq \mathcal{P}_F(A)$, then X has a choice function.

4. Prove that if A can be well-ordered, then $\mathcal{P}(A)$ can be linearly ordered.

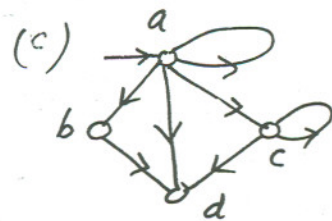
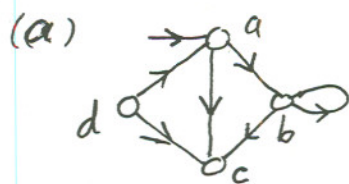
5. Prove that if we can find a bijection from any set to an ordinal, then AC is true.

6. (a) Prove that $AC \Rightarrow DC_\omega$

(b) Prove that $DC_\omega \Rightarrow AC_\omega$

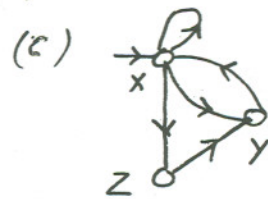
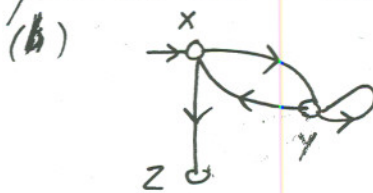
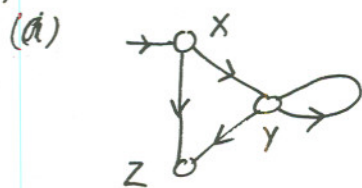
7. (Optional) Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function such that $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$. Prove that if f is continuous, then $f(x) = ax$ for some $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

1. Find the reduced form of each of the following pseudo-sets



2. Find all the pseudo-sets that can be represented by a rooted digraph with ≤ 2 vertices.

3. Write down the system of equations satisfied by each of the pseudo-sets below:



4. Find a pseudo-set which has infinitely many members but which is not well-founded.
5. Find a finite pseudo-set which needs a rooted digraph with infinitely many vertices to represent it.
6. Can a finite rooted digraph represent an infinite pseudo-set?