

# Discrete Math: Homework 5

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## Unit 2.2

**#2** Suppose that  $A$  is the set of sophomores at your school and  $B$  is the set of students in discrete mathematics at your school. Express each of these sets in terms of  $A$  and  $B$ .

- a) the set of sophomores taking discrete mathematics in your school

$$A \cap B$$

- b) the set of sophomores at your school who are not taking discrete mathematics

$$A - B \text{ or } A \cap B^c$$

- c) the set of students at your school who either are sophomores or are taking discrete mathematics

$$A \cup B$$

- d) the set of students at your school who either are not sophomores or are not taking discrete mathematics

$$(A \cap B)^c$$

#14 Find the sets  $A$  and  $B$  if  $A - B = \{1, 5, 7, 8\}$ ,  $B - A = \{2, 10\}$ , and  $A \cap B = \{3, 6, 9\}$ .

Given  $A \cap B = \{3, 6, 9\}$ , we also know that  $A \cap B^c = \{1, 5, 7, 8\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap B^c) &= A \cap (B \cup B^c) \\ &= A \cap U \\ &= A\end{aligned}$$

Given this, we can conclude that  $A = \{1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ . Given  $A$ , we can conclude that  $B = \{2, 3, 6, 9, 10\}$ .

#20 Let  $A, B$  and  $C$  be sets. Show that,

a)  $(A \cup B) \subseteq (A \cup B \cup C)$

$$\begin{aligned}(A \cup B) &\implies \forall x, x \in A \vee x \in B \\ &= \forall x, x \in A \vee x \in B \vee x \in C \\ &= \forall x, x \in (A \cup B \cup C)\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (A \cup B) \subseteq (A \cup B \cup C)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}(A - C) \cap (C - B) &\subset (A \cap C^c) \cap (C \cap B^c) \\ &\subset A \cap B \cap (C^c \cap C) \\ &\subset A \cap B \cap \emptyset \\ &\subset \emptyset\end{aligned}$$

The empty set is a subset of every set, so we can conclude that  $(A - C) \cap (C - B) = \emptyset$ .

e)  $(B - A) \cup (C - A) = (B \cup C) - A$

First,  $(B - A) \cup (C - A) \subset (B \cup C) - A$ .

$$\begin{aligned}x &\in (B - A) \cup (C - A) \\ x &\in (B - A) \vee x \in (C - A) \\ x &\in B \cap A^c \vee x \in C \cap A^c \\ (x \in B \wedge x \notin A) &\vee (x \in C \wedge x \notin A) \\ (x \in B \vee x \in C) &\wedge (x \notin A) \\ (x \in B \cup C) &\wedge (x \notin A) \\ x &\in (B \cup C) \cap A^c \\ x &\in (B \cup C) - A \\ \therefore (B - A) \cup (C - A) &\subset (B \cup C) - A\end{aligned}$$

Then,  $(B - A) \cup (C - A) \supset (B \cup C) - A$ .

$$\begin{aligned}x &\in (B \cup C) - A \\ x &\in (B \cup C) \wedge x \notin A \\ (x \in B \vee x \in C) &\wedge (x \notin A) \\ (x \in B \wedge x \notin A) &\vee (x \in C \wedge x \notin A) \\ x &\in B \cap A^c \vee x \in C \cap A^c \\ x &\in (B - A) \vee x \in (C - A) \\ x &\in (B - A) \cup (C - A) \\ \therefore (B - A) \cup (C - A) &\supset (B \cup C) - A\end{aligned}$$

Since we have proved either set is a subset of the other, we can conclude that  $(B - A) \cup (C - A) = (B \cup C) - A$ .

#54 Let  $A_i = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, \dots, i\}$ . Find

a)  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$

$$\begin{aligned}\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i &= \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, \dots, n\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \leq n\} \\ &= A_n\end{aligned}$$

b)  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i$

$$\begin{aligned}\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i &= \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1\} \\ &= \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \leq 1\} \\ &= A_1\end{aligned}$$

**Unit 2.3**

#2 Determine whether  $f$  is a function from  $\mathbb{Z}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  if

- a)  $f(n) = \pm n$ . Since a function cannot map to a single input,  $n$ , to two different outputs,  $n$  and  $-n$ , this is not a function.
- b)  $f(n) = \sqrt{n^2 + 1}$  This is a function, since for every input,  $n$ , there is only one output,  $\sqrt{n^2 + 1}$ , which is guaranteed to be a real number as for all integers,  $n^2 + 1 \geq 1$ .
- c)  $f(n) = \frac{1}{n^2 - 4}$  This is not a function from  $\mathbb{Z}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ , since  $n^2 - 4 = 0$  when  $n = \pm 2$ , and thus  $f(n)$  is undefined for  $n = \pm 2$ .

#6 Find the domain and range of each of these functions.

- a) the function that assigns to each pair of positive integers the first integer of the pair

Domain:  $\mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+$

Range:  $\mathbb{Z}^+$

- d) the function that assigns to each positive integer the largest integer not exceeding the square root of the integer

Domain:  $\mathbb{Z}^+$

Range:  $\mathbb{Z}^+$

**#10** Determine whether each of these functions from  $\{a, b, c, d\}$  to itself is one-to-one.

- a)  $f(a) = b, f(b) = a, f(c) = c, f(d) = d$  Yes, every output has a unique input.
- b)  $f(a) = b, f(b) = b, f(c) = d, f(d) = c$  No,  $b$  can be produced by both  $a$  and  $b$ .
- c)  $f(a) = d, f(b) = b, f(c) = c, f(d) = d$  No,  $d$  can be produced by both  $a$  and  $d$ .



**#16** Consider these functions from the set of students in a discrete mathematics class. Under what conditions is the function one-to-one if it assigns to a student his or her

- a) **mobile phone number.** The function is one-to-one if no students share a phone number, which is expected.
- b) **student identification number.** The function is one-to-one if no students share an ID number, which is expected.
- c) **final grade in the class.** The function is one-to-one iff no students share a final grade in the class.
- d) **home town.** The function is one-to-one iff no students share a home town.

## #26

- a) Prove that a strictly increasing function from  $\mathbb{R}$  to itself is one-to-one.

*Proof.* Since the function is strictly increasing, we can assume that  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a > b \implies f(a) > f(b)$ . We can prove that this function is one-to-one by proving that for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) = f(y) \implies x = y$ . In order to use this, we'll use cases,

- (a)  $x > y$ . Since  $f$  is strictly increasing,  $f(x) > f(y)$ , which contradicts  $f(x) = f(y)$ . Thus,  $x > y$  is impossible.
- (b)  $x < y$ . Since  $f$  is strictly increasing,  $f(x) < f(y)$ , which contradicts  $f(x) = f(y)$ . Thus,  $x < y$  is impossible.
- (c)  $x = y$ . This is trivially true.

Since  $x > y$  and  $x < y$  are impossible, we can conclude that given  $f(x) = f(y)$ ,  $x = y$ , and thus  $f$  is one-to-one.  $\square$

- b) Give an example of an increasing function from  $\mathbb{R}$  to itself that is not one-to-one.

The piecewise function,  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ x & x > 0 \end{cases}$  is increasing, but not one-to-one as any two inputs less than or equal to 0 will produce the same output, 0.