

CS 280 Fall 2003

Homework #1

Due: Monday, September 8, in class

If you turn in hand-written work, it must be legible, or it will not be graded.

1. Defining symmetric difference of sets by $A + B := (A - B) \cup (B - A)$, show that $A + B = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow A = B$. (Notice that this means that any equation involving sets can be converted to one whose RHS is \emptyset .)
2. Show that any set equation involving one unknown set X whose RHS is \emptyset can be rewritten as $(A \cap X) \cup (B \cap \bar{X}) = \emptyset$ where neither A nor B involve X . (Assume the equation is written using only \cap , \cup and complement.)
3. Show that $A = B = \emptyset$ iff $A \cup B = \emptyset$. (Notice that this means that the equation in part 2 is equivalent to two simultaneous equations $A \cap X = \emptyset$ and $B \cap \bar{X} = \emptyset$.)
4. Show that the pair of simultaneous equations in part 3 has a solution iff $B \subseteq \bar{A}$. Moreover, any X with $B \subseteq X \subseteq \bar{A}$ is such a solution.
5. Apply this to find necessary and sufficient conditions that the equation $X \cup C = D$ has a solution.
6. In the set $\mathbb{Z}_{>0}^* \times \mathbb{Z}_{>0}^*$, define $(a,b) \sim (c,d)$ iff $a + d = b + c$. Prove that \sim is an equivalence relation and describe the equivalence classes.
7. (Question 12 on page 20.)
8. Suppose that $f : A \rightarrow B$ is an “onto” function and define a relation \sim on A by $a \sim a'$ iff $f(a) = f(a')$. Show that \sim is an equivalence relation. If we let $C = A / \sim$ and $\eta : A \rightarrow C$ by $\eta(a) := [a]$, show that there exists a “one-to-one and onto” function $g : C \rightarrow B$ such that $f = g \circ \eta$.
9. Define “ $<$ ” on $\mathbb{Z}_{>0}^*$ by $p < q$ iff $p \mid q$. Show that $<$ is a partial order.

* It was not possible to render this character correctly – please substitute the Z with the character “zed”.

Algebra of Sets

1. $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$
2. $A \cup B = B \cup A$
3. $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$
4. $A \cup \emptyset = A$
5. $A \cup \bar{A} = U$
6. $A \cup B = A \quad \forall B \Rightarrow B = \emptyset$
7. $(A \cup B = U) \wedge (A \cap B = \emptyset) \Rightarrow B = \bar{A}$
8. $\bar{\bar{A}} = A$
9. $\bar{\emptyset} = U$
10. $A \cup A = A$
11. $A \cup U = U$
12. $A \cup (A \cap B) = A$
13. $\overline{A \cup B} = \bar{A} \cap \bar{B}$ (de Morgan)

Duality

Swap \cup \cap
and \emptyset u

Then using \cup , \cap , and complement, dual theorem true.