## HOMEWORK 3 - MATH 215

## DUE DATE: After Section 2.3 has been covered! INSTRUCTOR: George Voutsadakis

Read each problem very carefully before starting to solve it. A few randomly selected problems will be graded for a total of 10 points. It is necessary to show your work. GOOD LUCK!!

- 1. True or false?
  - (a)  $[2,5] = \{2,3,4,5\}$  (b)  $(6,9] \subseteq [6,10)$  (c)  $\{\{\emptyset\}\} \subseteq \{\emptyset,\{\emptyset\}\}$ (d)  $\{1,2\} \in \{\{1,2,3\},\{1,3\},1,2\}$  (e)  $\{\{4\}\} \subseteq \{1,2,3,\{4\}\}.$
- 2. Give an example, if there is one, of sets A, B and C such that the following are true. If there is no example write "Not possible".
  (a) A ⊆ B, B ⊆ C and C ⊆ A (b) A ⊆ B, B ⊈ C and A ⊈ C.
- 3. Write the power set  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  for each of the sets (a)  $X = \{S, \{S\}\}$  (b)  $X = \{1, \{2, \{3\}\}\}$ .
- 4. List all of the proper subsets for each of the following sets (a)  $\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$  (b)  $\{0, \Delta, \Box\}$
- 5. Give an example, if there is one, of each of the following. If there is no example, write "Not possible".
  - (a) A set A such that  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  has 64 elements.
  - (b) Sets A and B such that  $A \subseteq B$  and  $\mathcal{P}(B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A)$ .
  - (c) A set A such that  $\mathcal{P}(A) = \emptyset$ .
  - (d) Sets A, B and C such that  $A \subseteq B, B \subseteq C$  and  $\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(C)$ .
- 6. Prove that if  $x \notin B$  and  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $x \notin A$ .
- 7. Let  $X = \{x : P(x)\}$ . Are the following statements true or false? (a) If  $a \in X$ , then P(a). (b) If P(a), then  $a \in X$ . (c) If  $\sim P(a)$ , then  $a \notin X$ .
- 8. Prove that X = Y, where  $X = \{x : x \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } x \text{ is a solution to } x^2 7x + 12 = 0\}$  and  $Y = \{3, 4\}.$
- 9. Prove that X = Y, where  $X = \{x \in \mathbb{N} : x^2 < 30\}$  and  $Y = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ .
- 10. Let the universe be all real numbers. Let A = [3, 8), B = [2, 6], C = (1, 4) and  $D = (5, \infty)$ . Find  $B \cup C, A \cap B, D - A, \tilde{D}$  and  $(A \cup C) - (B \cap D)$ .
- 11. Let  $U = \{1, 2, 3\}$  be the universe for the sets  $A = \{1, 2\}$  and  $B = \{2, 3\}$ . Find  $\mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$  and  $\mathcal{P}(A) \mathcal{P}(B)$ .
- 12. Let A, B, C be sets.
  - (a) Prove that (A B) C = (A C) (B C).
  - (b) Prove that if  $A \subseteq C$  and  $B \subseteq C$ , then  $A \cup B \subseteq C$ .
- 13. Let A, B, C, D be sets. Prove that if  $A \cup B \subseteq C \cup D, A \cap B = \emptyset$  and  $C \subseteq A$ , then  $B \subseteq D$ .

- 14. Let A, B be sets. Prove that  $\mathcal{P}(A) \cup \mathcal{P}(B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$ .
- 15. Provide counterexamples for each of the following: (a) If  $A \cap C \subseteq B \cap C$ , then  $A \subseteq B$ . (b) A - (B - C) = (A - B) - C.
- 16. Define the symmetric difference operation  $\triangle$  on sets by  $A \triangle B = (A B) \cup (B A)$ . prove that (a)  $A \triangle B = (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$ (b)  $A \triangle \emptyset = A$ .
- 17. Find the union and intersection of each of the following families or indexed collections.
  - (a) Let  $\mathbb{R}^+ = (0, \infty)$ . For  $r \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , let  $A_r = [-\pi, r)$ , and let  $\mathcal{A} = \{A_r : r \in \mathbb{R}^+\}$ .
  - (b) For each natural number  $n \ge 3$ , let  $A_n = [\frac{1}{n}, 2 + \frac{1}{n})$  and  $\mathcal{A} = \{A_n : n \ge 3\}$ . (c) For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $D_n = (-n, \frac{1}{n})$  and  $\mathcal{D} = \{D_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .
- 18. Let  $\mathcal{A} = \{A_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  be a family of sets and let B be a set. Prove that  $B \cup \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_{\alpha} = \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta} (B \cup A_{\alpha}).$
- 19. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a family of sets, and suppose  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$ . Prove that  $\bigcap_{A \in \mathcal{A}} A = \emptyset$ .
- 20. If  $\mathcal{A} = \{A_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  is a family of sets and if  $\Gamma \subseteq \Delta$ , prove that  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_{\alpha} \subseteq \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Gamma} A_{\alpha}$ .
- 21. Give an example of an indexed collection of sets  $\{A_{\alpha} : \alpha \in \Delta\}$  such that each  $A_{\alpha} \subseteq (0, 1)$ , and for all  $\alpha$  and  $\beta \in \Delta$ ,  $A_{\alpha} \cap A_{\beta} \neq \emptyset$  but  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \Delta} A_{\alpha} = \emptyset$ .
- 22. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  be two pairwise disjoint families of sets. Let  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B}$ . (a) Prove that  $\mathcal{C}$  is a family of pairwise disjoint sets.
  - (b) Give an example to show that  $\mathcal{D}$  need not be pairwise disjoint.
  - (c) Prove that if  $\bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} A$  and  $\bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{B}} B$  are disjoint, then  $\mathcal{D}$  is pairwise disjoint.