

Winter 2017 MATH 15910 Section 55

Exam 1 Solution

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1.  $A \subset X$ , Prove  $A \cap X = A$ .ProofLet  $x \in A \cap X = \{u \mid u \in A \text{ and } u \in X\}$ By def of intersection,  $x \in A$ .Let  $y \in A$   $\because A \subset X$  $\therefore y \in X$  by def of subset $\therefore y \in A$  and  $y \in X$  $\therefore$  By def of intersection,  
 $y \in A \cap X$ .Thus,  $A \cap X = A$ .2. 1)  $X = \{55, 2017\}$ .List of elements of power set  
 $\mathcal{P}(X)$  of  $X$ .List of elements of  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ : $\emptyset, \{55\}, \{2017\}, \{55, 2017\}$ .Btw,  $\mathcal{P}(X) = \{\emptyset, \{55\}, \{2017\}, \{55, 2017\}\}$ 2)  $X = \emptyset$ . List of elements of  
the power set  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  of  $X$ .List of elements of  $\mathcal{P}(X)$ : $\emptyset$ .Note $(\mathcal{P}(X) = \{\emptyset\})$ .It can be proved that  $\emptyset \subset \emptyset$ 

by "vacuous truth".

 $\forall x \in \emptyset, \text{prop}(x)$ 

Some proposition

This implies  $\text{prop}(x)$  is true  
because there is no way to falsify  
the statement - given  $x \in \emptyset$  will  
never be true.

It can also be proved that

if  $A \neq \emptyset, A \not\subset \emptyset$ .

$$3. 1+2+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

Proof

We prove by induction on  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Base case:  $n=1$

$$1 = \frac{1(1+1)}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

Inductive hypothesis:

$$\text{For a fixed } n, 1+2+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$\text{WTS: } 1+2+\dots+n+(n+1) = \frac{(n+1)(n+1+1)}{2}$$

Now, consider

$$\begin{aligned} & 1+2+\dots+n+(n+1) \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + (n+1) \quad (\text{by I.H.}) \\ &= \frac{n^2+n}{2} + \frac{2n+2}{2} \\ &= \frac{n^2+3n+2}{2} \\ &= \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2} = \frac{(n+1)(n+1+1)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

By Principles of Mathematical Induction, the proposition holds.

4. 1) Relation on a set  $X$ .

Def 1.4.2 A relation on a set  $X$  is a subset of  $X \times X = \{(a,b) \mid a \in X \text{ and } b \in X\}$ .

2) Equivalent relation on a set  $X$ .

An equivalent relation on  $X$  is a relation  $R$  on  $X$  s.t.

(ER1) (Reflexive)

$$\forall a \in X, (a,a) \in R.$$

(ER2) (Symmetric)

$\forall a,b \in X$ , if  $(a,b) \in R$ , then  $(b,a) \in R$ .

(ER3) (Transitive)

$\forall a,b,c \in X$ , if  $(a,b)$  and  $(b,c) \in R$ , then  $(a,c) \in R$ .

3) Def of  $\mathbb{Z}_2$

$\mathbb{Z}_2$  is the set of equivalent classes  $\bar{0}$  and  $\bar{1}$ .

(For  $\bar{a}, \bar{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $\bar{a} + \bar{b} = \overline{a+b}$  and  $\bar{a} \bar{b} = \overline{ab}$ )

function  
 5.  $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ .  $f(u) = u + 1$ . Prove  $f$  bijective.

Proof.

Pf of surjection

Let  $y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Consider  $x = y - 1$ .  
 $\in \mathbb{Z}$

Then  $x + 1 = (y - 1) + 1 = y$ .

$\Rightarrow f(x) = y$  where  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$\Rightarrow y \in f(\mathbb{Z})$

Moreover,  $\forall z \in f(\mathbb{Z})$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$  given  
 $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ .

$\therefore f(\mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}$

$\therefore f$  is surjective

Pf of injection

Let  $x, x' \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $f(x) = f(x')$

$\Rightarrow x + 1 = x' + 1 \Rightarrow x = x'$

$\therefore f$  is injective

$\therefore f$  is surjective and injective

$\therefore f$  is bijective.

6.  $f: A \rightarrow B$ ,  $B_1, B_2 \subset B$ . Prove

$$f^{-1}(B_1 \cup B_2) = f^{-1}(B_1) \cup f^{-1}(B_2)$$

Proof.

Consider

$$x \in f^{-1}(B_1 \cup B_2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(x) \in B_1 \cup B_2,$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(x) \in B_1 \vee$$

$$f(x) \in B_2.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in f^{-1}(B_1) \vee x \in f^{-1}(B_2).$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in f^{-1}(B_1) \cup f^{-1}(B_2).$$

(Note:  $\Leftrightarrow$  means iff  
 $\Downarrow$   
 if and only if)

We have proved that

$$\forall x \in f^{-1}(B_1 \cup B_2), x \in f^{-1}(B_1) \cup f^{-1}(B_2),$$

and  $\forall y \in f^{-1}(B_1) \cup f^{-1}(B_2),$

$$y \in f^{-1}(B_1 \cup B_2).$$

Thus,  $f^{-1}(B_1 \cup B_2) = f^{-1}(B_1) \cup f^{-1}(B_2)$