

# Recitation 6

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- Problem 2.2:31: Show that for  $A$  and  $B$  subsets of some universal set  $U$ ,

$$A \subseteq B \Leftrightarrow \bar{B} \subseteq \bar{A}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 A \subseteq B \Leftrightarrow & \\
 \forall x, \quad x \in A \rightarrow x \in B & \text{Definition of set inclusion} \\
 \Leftrightarrow x \notin A \vee x \in B \Leftrightarrow & \text{Implication rule} \\
 x \in B \vee x \notin A \Leftrightarrow & \text{Commutativity} \\
 x \notin B \rightarrow x \notin A \Leftrightarrow & \text{Implication rule} \\
 x \in \bar{B} \rightarrow x \in \bar{A} \Leftrightarrow & \text{Definition of set complement} \\
 \bar{B} \subseteq \bar{A} & \text{by definition of a set inclusion} \\
 & \text{QED}
 \end{array}$$

- 2.2.37 c: Show that if  $A$  is a subset of universal set  $U$

$$A \oplus U = \bar{A}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \forall x, \quad x \in A \oplus U \Leftrightarrow & \\
 ((x \in A) \vee (x \in U)) \wedge \neg((x \in A) \wedge (x \in U)) \Leftrightarrow & \text{definition of symmetric} \\
 & \text{difference } \oplus \text{ on page 137} \\
 ((x \in A \cup U)) \wedge \neg((x \in A \cap U)) \Leftrightarrow & \text{Definition set union, intersection} \\
 (x \in U) \wedge \neg(x \in A) \Leftrightarrow & \text{Domination, identity laws} \\
 \neg(x \in A) \wedge (x \in U) \Leftrightarrow & \text{Commutative law (logic)} \\
 (x \notin A) \wedge (x \in U) \Leftrightarrow & \text{Moving negation inward} \\
 x \in \bar{A} & \text{Definition of set absolute complement}
 \end{array}$$

We showed that  $\forall x, x \in A \oplus U \Leftrightarrow x \in \bar{A}$ . Thus,  $A \oplus U = \bar{A}$ .  $\square$

- Suppose that  $A \cup B = \emptyset$ , what can you conclude?

Answer: we conclude that  $(A = \emptyset) \wedge (B = \emptyset)$ .

We formally prove that:

$$A \cup B = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow (A = \emptyset) \wedge (B = \emptyset)$$

First we consider prove the following statement:

$$A \cup B = \emptyset \rightarrow (A = \emptyset) \wedge (B = \emptyset)$$

The proof is by contradiction. We assume the antecedent and negate the conclusion.

- (1)  $A \cup B = \emptyset$  given
- (2)  $\neg((A = \emptyset) \wedge (B = \emptyset))$  negating the conclusion
- (3)  $(A \neq \emptyset) \vee (B \neq \emptyset)$  moving negation inward
- (4)  $(A \neq \emptyset) \vee (B \neq \emptyset)$  moving negation inward

We continue the proof using a proof by cases. Expression (4) states that, at least one of the following cases must hold and both can also hold:

- (a) There is at least an element in  $A$ , assume we have  $x \in A$
- (b) There is at least an element in  $B$ , assume we have  $y \in B$

Case (a) above:  $x \in A \Rightarrow x \in \{A \cup B\}$  by definition of set union  $A \cup B \neq \emptyset$ , which contradicts the premise (1).

Case (b) can be shown to yield the same contradiction (exchanging  $A$  for  $B$  in the above case).

WLOG, we can conclude that

$$A \cup B = \emptyset \Rightarrow (A = \emptyset) \wedge (B = \emptyset)$$

Proving the implication in the opposite direction is straightforward by definition of set union:

$$(A = \emptyset) \wedge (B = \emptyset) \Rightarrow A \cup B = \emptyset$$

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- Now let's look at functions, say we have the following function:  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $f(x) = \lfloor \frac{x}{2} \rfloor$ 
  - First what does the graph of this function look like?
  - is  $f$  one-to-one (i.e., injective)? No, for example both 1 and 1.1 are assigned 0.
  - Is  $f$  onto  $\mathbb{R}$  (i.e., surjective)? No, the floor function only maps to integers, so only integers would be mapped to.
- Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  $B = \{a, b, c\}$ , and  $C = \{2, 7, 10\}$ 

Consider the following two functions:  $g : A \rightarrow B$  and  $f : B \rightarrow C$  where  $g : \{(1, b), (2, a), (3, a), (4, b)\}$  and  $f : \{(a, 10), (b, 7), (c, 2)\}$

  - Find  $f \circ g$ . Answer:  $\{(1, 7), (2, 10), (3, 10), (4, 7)\}$
  - Find  $f^{-1}$ . Answer:  $\{(10, a), (7, b), (2, c)\}$
  - Is  $g^{-1}$  a function? Answer: No, because  $a$  has two pre-images but in a function, each element of the domain must be mapped to *exactly one* element in the co-domain.

- Find  $f \circ f^{-1}$ . Answer:  $\{(10, 10), (7, 7), (2, 2)\}$
- Prove or disprove:  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \lfloor x \times y \rfloor \leq \lfloor x \rfloor \times \lfloor y \rfloor$ 
  - let  $x = 3.5$ , and  $y = 1.5$ .  $\lfloor 3.5 \times 1.5 \rfloor = \lfloor 5.25 \rfloor = 5$ , but  $\lfloor 3.5 \rfloor \times \lfloor 1.5 \rfloor = 4$
  - $5 \neq 4$ , therefore the statement does not hold. This is a proof with a counterexample.
- Prove or disprove for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \lceil x \times y \rceil \leq \lceil x \rceil \times \lceil y \rceil$ 
  - Here the same example works  $\lceil 3.5 \times 1.5 \rceil = \lceil 5.25 \rceil = 6$ , but  $\lceil 3.5 \rceil \times \lceil 1.5 \rceil = 4 \times 2 = 8$
- Show that the function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  where  $f(x) = |x|$  is not invertible, but if the domain is restricted to the set of nonnegative real numbers (i.e.,  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ ), the resulting function is invertible.

For a function to be invertible, it must be bijective (i.e., a one-to-one correspondence).

Therefore, we need to check if this is one-to-one (injective) and onto (surjective).

1. Injective: No,  $f(x_1) \neq f(x_2) \Rightarrow |x_1| \neq |x_2| \Rightarrow \pm x_1 \neq \pm x_2$   
 Now, if the domain is restricted to the set of nonnegative real numbers. Is  $f(x)$  injective?  
 $f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow |x_1| = |x_2| \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$ . Therefore, on the restricted domain  $f(x)$  is injective.
  2. Surjective: Every element in codomain ( $\mathbb{R}^+$ ) is a positive number, then for  $\forall b \in \text{codomain}(f) \exists a \in \mathbb{R} b = |a|$ . Thus,  $b$  has necessarily a preimage. Thus, the range and the codomain are equal, we can conclude that  $f$  is surjective.
  3. Bijective: No, because it is not injective.  
 However, on the restricted domain, it is bijective because it is both injective and surjective.
  4. Invertible: Again, only on the restricted domain.
- Now a quick review of membership, determine whether these statements are true or false:
    1.  $\{a, b\} \subseteq \{\{a, b\}\}$   
 False, because neither  $a$  nor  $b$  is an element in  $\{\{a, b\}\}$ .
    2.  $\{a, b\} \in \{\{a, b\}\}$   
 True, because there the element  $\{a, b\}$  is in  $\{\{a, b\}\}$
    3.  $\{a, b, c\} \subset \{a, b, c\}$   
 False, because the sets are equal, and the statement is wondering if it is a strict subset.

4.  $\{a, b, c\} \subseteq \{a, b, c\}$

True, because the sets are equal.

5.  $\{\} \subseteq \{a, b, c\}$

True, because the empty set  $\emptyset = \{\}$  is a subset of all sets.

6.  $\emptyset \in \{a, b, c\}$

False, because the element  $\emptyset$  is not in the set  $\{a, b, c\}$ .

7.  $\{a\} \subset \{a, a\}$

*Trick question: watch out!*

False, the set  $\{a, a\}$  is really  $\{a\}$  because, in a set, elements are *not* repeated. Therefore,  $\{a\} \subset \{a, a\}$  is *false* because  $\{a\} \not\subset \{a\}$  (Note that  $\{a\} \subseteq \{a\}$  though).