

# Math 61 Midterm 1

TOTAL POINTS

13 / 13

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**Problem 1.** Let  $n \geq 2$  be a natural number. Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  and  $C$  be arbitrary sets. Using mathematical induction, show that

$$\left( \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \times C = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (A_i \times C).$$

Base case: when  $n=2$

$$\text{LHS} = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^2 A_i \right) \times C$$

$$= (A_1 \cup A_2) \times C$$

$$\text{RHS} = \bigcup_{i=1}^2 (A_i \times C) = (A_1 \times C) \cup (A_2 \times C)$$

To prove distributive property  $(A_1 \cup A_2) \times C = (A_1 \times C) \cup (A_2 \times C)$  :  
we can use

① prove that for any  $(a, c) \in (A_1 \cup A_2) \times C \Rightarrow (a, c) \in (A_1 \times C) \cup (A_2 \times C)$ .

For any  $(a, c)$  s.t.  $(a, c) \in (A_1 \cup A_2) \times C$ , we know that  $a \in A_1 \cup A_2$  and  $c \in C$ .

Hence, we have  $a \in A_1$  or  $a \in A_2$  and  $c \in C$ . knowing this, we have  $a \in A_1$  and  $c \in C$  or  $a \in A_2$  and  $c \in C$ .

So this gives us  $(a, c) \in A_1 \times C$  or  $(a, c) \in A_2 \times C$  which gives us  $(a, c) \in (A_1 \times C) \cup (A_2 \times C) \vee$ .

② Prove that for any  $(a, c) \in (A_1 \times C) \cup (A_2 \times C) \Rightarrow (a, c) \in (A_1 \cup A_2) \times C$ .

For any  $(a, c)$  s.t.  $(a, c) \in (A_1 \times C) \cup (A_2 \times C)$ , we know that  $(a, c) \in (A_1 \times C)$  or  $(a, c) \in (A_2 \times C)$ .

This gives us  $a \in A_1$  and  $c \in C$  or  $a \in A_2$  and  $c \in C$ . This means that  $a \in A_1$  or  $a \in A_2$  and  $c \in C$ .

Hence we have  $a \in A_1 \cup A_2$  and  $c \in C$  so  $(a, c) \in (A_1 \cup A_2) \times C$ .  $\vee$

Thus we have proved that  $(A_1 \cup A_2) \times C = (A_1 \times C) \cup (A_2 \times C)$ , so we can use this property.

Continuing our base case: (using distributive prop.)

$$\text{LHS} = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^2 A_i \right) \times C = (A_1 \cup A_2) \times C = (A_1 \times C) \cup (A_2 \times C) = \text{RHS} \quad \checkmark$$

Induction step:  $\downarrow$  Assume  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $k \geq 2$  s.t.  $\left( \bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i \right) \times C = \bigcup_{i=1}^k (A_i \times C)$ .

We want to show that:  $\text{LHS} = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{k+1} A_i \right) \times C = \bigcup_{i=1}^{k+1} (A_i \times C) = \text{RHS}$ .

$$\text{LHS} = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{k+1} A_i \right) \times C = \left( \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i \right) \cup A_{k+1} \right) \times C = \left( \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i \right) \times C \right) \cup (A_{k+1} \times C)$$

$$= \bigcup_{i=1}^k (A_i \times C) \cup (A_{k+1} \times C)$$

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By induction, we have shown that  $\left( \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \times C = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (A_i \times C)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n \geq 2$ .

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**Problem 2.** Let  $R$  be a relation on a set  $X$ .

- (a) Explain in words why the statement " $R$  is anti-symmetric" is not the negation of the statement " $R$  is symmetric". Provide examples to illustrate your explanation.
- (b) Explain in words why the statement " $R$  is anti-reflexive" is not the negation of the statement " $R$  is reflexive". Provide examples to illustrate your explanation.

(a) " $R$  is anti-symmetric" is NOT the negation of " $R$  is symmetric"

because when one statement is the negation of another, that would imply that if 1 statement is true, the other must be false. We know that " $R$  is anti-symmetric" is defined by: for all  $x, y \in S$ , if  $xRy$  and  $yRx$ , then  $x=y$ . We also know that " $R$  is symmetric" means for all  $x, y \in S$ , if  $xRy$  then  $yRx$ . We see that these two statements can simultaneously both be true since the "if" conditional statement of anti-symmetry includes both the "if" and "then" statements of symmetry.

For a clearer understanding, let's look at an example:

We let  $R = \{(1,1)\}$ .

To prove anti-symmetry:  $xRy$  is true b/c  $1R1$ , and  $yRx$  is also true b/c  $1R1$   
 so then  $x=y$  which is indeed true b/c  $1=1$ .  
 $\therefore R$  is antisymmetric.

To prove symmetry: The if condition  $xRy$  is true b/c  $1R1$ . Then  $yRx$  is also true b/c  $1R1$ .  $\therefore R$  is symmetric.

$R$  is both antisymmetric and symmetric so they are NOT negations of one another.

(b) " $R$  is anti-reflexive" is NOT the negation of " $R$  is reflexive" because as established in (a), if 1 statement is the negation of another, they cannot both simultaneously be false (since if 1 is false, the other must be true). We know that " $R$  is anti-reflexive" is defined for all  $x \in S$ ,  $x$  is NEVER related to itself. We know that " $R$  is reflexive" is defined that for ALL  $x \in S$ ,  $xRx$ . These can simultaneously both be false.

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(see next page)  $\rightarrow$

Let  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

and let  $R = \{(1, 1)\} \cup \{(2, 3)\}$

To prove it is NOT anti-reflexive:

for all  $x \in S$ ,  $x$  must never be related to itself but in relation  $R$

we see  $1 R 1$ , i.e.  $x R x \therefore R$  is NOT anti-reflexive.

To prove it is NOT reflexive:

For  $R$  to be reflexive,  $x R x$  for ALL  $x \in S$ . We see that when

$x=1$ ,  $x \in S$  and  $x R x$  HOWEVER when  $x=2$ ,  $x \in S$  but  $x$  is NOT related to  $x$  <sup>so it is missing (2,2)</sup>. Similarly,  $R$  is missing  $(3,3)$ ,  $(4,4)$ , and  $(5,5)$  which are all needed for  $R$  to be reflexive.

$\therefore R$  is NOT reflexive.

We have proved that  $R$  is not anti-reflexive and  $R$  is not reflexive.

They are simultaneously both false so anti-reflexive and reflexive must not be negations of one another.

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**Problem 3.** Let  $n$  be a positive natural number. Let  $X = \{i \in \mathbb{N} : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  the power set of  $X$ , and let  $\mathcal{P}^*(X) := \mathcal{P}(X) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$  denote the set of subsets of  $X$  that are not empty. Consider the function

All subsets of  
 $X$

$$f: \mathcal{P}^*(X) \rightarrow X$$

which sends each non-empty subset of  $X$  to its least element. For instance,  $f(\{1, 3\}) = 1$ . For which values of  $n$  is  $f$  injective, surjective, or bijective? Carefully motivate your arguments.

① For  $f$  to be injective, <sup>that means</sup> for every  $y \in \text{ran}(f)$ , there must be a unique  $x \in X$  where  $f(x) = y$ . Another way to state this would be for every least element of a set, denoted by  $y$ , there must be a unique subset  $S \in \mathcal{P}^*(X)$  where  $f(S) = y$ .

let value  $n=1$ , then  $X = \{1\}$  and  $\mathcal{P}^*(X) = \{\{1\}\}$ , so when  $f(S) = 1$ ,

$S = \{1\}$  would be the only unique  $S \in \mathcal{P}^*(X)$  where  $f(S) = 1$  because  $S = \{1\}$  is the only set <sup>in the</sup> power set of  $X$ . If  $n > 1$ , however, and the least element,  $y$ , is equal to 1, we know that  $S = \{1\}$  is a potential solution, but so is  $S = \{n, n-1, \dots, 1\}$ , therefore, for any  $n > 1$ ,  $f$  will no longer be injective since multiple sets in  $\mathcal{P}^*(X)$  will contain 1.



So  $f$  is injective only when  $n=1$ .

② If  $f$  is surjective, then for every  $y \in Y$ , there is an  $x \in X$  s.t.  $f(x) = y$ . In other words, for every least element, denoted by  $y$ , there is a set  $S \in \mathcal{P}^*(X)$  s.t.  $f(S) = y$ . By this definition,  $f$  is surjective for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . To show this, we know that for  $f: \mathcal{P}^*(X) \rightarrow X$ , the range of  $f$  is all natural numbers less than or equal to  $n$ .

→ we also know that for any set  $X = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , the subsets  $\{n\}, \{n-1\}, \dots, \{1\}$  are all in  $\mathcal{P}^*(X)$ . knowing this, we have  $f(\{n\}) = n, f(\{n-1\}) = n-1, \dots, f(\{1\}) = 1$ . Thus it is evident that the least element outputted will hit every value on the range of  $f$ .

so  $f$  is surjective for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

③  $f$  is bijective when  $f$  is both injective and surjective, so we find the intersection of these 2  $n$  values:  $1 \cap \mathbb{N}$  and find that  $f$  is bijective only when  $n=1$ .

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**Problem 4.** A teacher wants to arrange their 17 students in a single line. There are two students Averie and Charlie, in this class. How many ways are there for the students to line up so that either Averie is first in line or Charlie is last (or both)?

A ..... C  
 16 other students  
 OR

The # of ways to line up w/ Averie 1st is  $16!$

..... C

The # of ways to line up w/ Charlie last is also  $16!$

OR

A ..... C  
 15 other students

The # of ways to line up w/ Averie 1st and Charlie last is  $15!$

let A be the set of total ways Averie could be 1st  
 let C be the set of total ways for Charlie to be last



$$|A| + |C| - |A \cap C| = |A \cup C|, \text{ by inclusion-exclusion (we must use inclusion exclusion to avoid double counting)}$$

$$|A| = 16!$$

$$|C| = 16!$$

$$|A \cap C| = 15!$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{So } |A \cup C| = 16! + 16! - 15!$$

$$|A \cup C| = 2(16!) - 15!$$

So there are  $2(16!) - 15!$  ways for the students to line up so that either Charlie is last or Averie is first or both.

#### 4 Counting Question 2 / 2

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- 0.5 pts 16! ways with Averie first and 16! ways with Charlie last

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