

Day 9: Tuesday, 2/14/2017

No quiz problem due Friday, exam a week from Friday.

Return hw. Collect hw regular hw 5.1 and first part of 5.2; one quiz problem. Take questions first.

Continuation of 5.2 material.

1. Proving Subset and Equality Conditions (section 5.2)

- a. To prove  $A \subseteq B$  pick arbitrary element of  $A$  and prove it is also in  $B$
- b. Proof Skeleton: (see box at right)
- c. To prove  $\neg(A \subseteq B)$  (ie,  $A \not\subseteq B$ ), construct an element of  $A$  that is not in  $B$
- d. To use the assumption that  $A \subseteq B$ : Given that  $a \in A$ , conclude that  $a \in B$
- e. To use the assumption that  $\neg(A \subseteq B)$  (ie,  $A \not\subseteq B$ ): Say "Let  $a \in A$  such that  $a \notin B$ ." This is valid because the assumption implies that such an element exists.
- f. To prove  $A = B$  prove  $A \subseteq B$  and also prove  $B \subseteq A$ . This is like proving the two halves of an if and only if statement, and in fact what you are proving is  $x \in A$  iff  $x \in B$ .
- g. Example: Proposition 5.11. Let  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of a universal set  $U$ . Then  $A - (A - B) = A \cap B$ . Prelim step, rewrite as  $A - (A \cap B^c) = A \cap B$ .

Proposition:  $A \subseteq B$ .  
 Proof: Let  $a \in A$ .  
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 so  $a \in B$ .

2. Disjoint Sets

- a. To prove a result of the form  $(P \rightarrow A \cap B = \emptyset)$ , it is often effective to argue by contradiction or using the contrapositive
- b. Contradiction: Assume  $P$  holds, and that there is an  $x$  is in both  $A$  and  $B$  and derive a contradiction.
- c. Contrapositive: Assume that there exists an  $x$  in both  $A$  and  $B$ , and prove that  $P$  is false.
- d. Example: Proposition 5.14. Let  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of a universal set  $U$ . Then  $A \subseteq B$  iff  $A \cap B^c = \emptyset$ .

3. (Continuing 5.1) Empty set properties. For every set  $B$  ...

- a. ...  $\emptyset \subseteq B \subseteq B$ .
- b. ...  $\emptyset \cup B = B$ .
- c. ...  $\emptyset \cap B = \emptyset$ .

4. Power Set of a Set

- a. Definition:  $\wp(A)$  is the set of subsets of  $A$ .
- b. Example:  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$
- c. Don't confuse  $\in$  with  $\subseteq$ .  $\{1,2\} \subseteq A$  but  $\{1,2\} \in \wp(A)$
- d. Theorem: If  $A$  is a set with  $n$  elements, then  $A$  has  $2^n$  subsets (including  $\emptyset$  and  $A$  itself). In other words,  $\wp(A)$  has  $2^n$  elements.

## 5. Cardinality

- For a finite set this is the number of elements. We denote it  $\text{card}(A)$ . Some works write  $|A|$  for the cardinality of the set  $A$ .
- In general, without knowing whether sets are finite or infinite, we define two sets to have equal cardinality iff there is a one to one correspondence between the two sets.
- Set theoretic definition of infinite: The set  $A$  is infinite if and only if there is a proper subset  $B \subset A$  such that  $\text{card}(B) = \text{card}(A)$ .
- Two infinite sets can have different cardinalities. For example  $\text{card}(\mathbb{R}) \neq \text{card}(\mathbb{Q})$ .

Section ends with review of some of the familiar standard number systems: natural numbers, integers, rationals, irrationals, reals, and complex numbers.

New material, start 5.3 Properties of set operations

### 1. Algebraic Rules

- Theorem 5.17.** *Let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be subsets of some universal set  $U$ . Then*

- $A \cap B \subseteq A$  and  $A \subseteq A \cup B$ .
- If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A \cap C \subseteq B \cap C$  and  $A \cup C \subseteq B \cup C$ .

- Theorem 5.18 (Algebra of Set Operations).** *Let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be subsets of some universal set  $U$ . Then all of the following equalities hold.*

<i>Properties of the Empty Set and the Universal Set</i>	$A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$	$A \cap U = A$
	$A \cup \emptyset = A$	$A \cup U = U$
<i>Idempotent Laws</i>	$A \cap A = A$	$A \cup A = A$
<i>Commutative Laws</i>	$A \cap B = B \cap A$	$A \cup B = B \cup A$
<i>Associative Laws</i>	$(A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$	
	$(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$	
<i>Distributive Laws</i>	$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$	
	$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$	

- These are all equalities of sets and can be proved by showing two subset results – each set is shown to be a subset of the other. The book also shows an argument where each statement is an iff statement, and together they form an iff chain between two statements:  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$ . This shows  $x \in A$  iff  $x \in B$  so  $A = B$ .
- Sample proof: second distributive law.

## 2. Properties of the Complement Operation

- a. **Theorem 5.20.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of some universal set  $U$ . Then the following are true:*

*Basic Properties*

$$(A^c)^c = A$$

$$A - B = A \cap B^c$$

*Empty Set and Universal Set*

$$A - \emptyset = A \text{ and } A - U = \emptyset$$

$$\emptyset^c = U \text{ and } U^c = \emptyset$$

*De Morgan's Laws*

$$(A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$$

$$(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$$

*Subsets and Complements*

$$A \subseteq B \text{ if and only if } B^c \subseteq A^c$$

- b. Sample proof: Second De Morgan law

## 3. Proving collections of statements are equivalent

- a. Overview: common practice when we have three or more different equivalent characterizations of something. Example: Invertible Matrix Theorem.
- b. A common strategy is to prove  $P_1 \rightarrow P_2$  and  $P_2 \rightarrow P_3$  and  $P_3 \rightarrow P_4$  and  $P_4 \rightarrow P_1$  (which we abbreviate by writing  $P_1 \rightarrow P_2 \rightarrow P_3 \rightarrow P_4 \rightarrow P_1$ ). This also proves that any two of the statements are equivalent. For example, we can show that  $P_2 \leftrightarrow P_4$  as follows. By transitivity,  $P_2 \rightarrow P_3$  and  $P_3 \rightarrow P_4$  implies  $P_2 \rightarrow P_4$ . Conversely, since  $P_4 \rightarrow P_1$  and  $P_1 \rightarrow P_2$ , we conclude  $P_4 \rightarrow P_2$ . Thus we have shown  $P_2 \leftrightarrow P_4$ .
- c. This idea is illustrated in the proof of Theorem 5.22.

**Theorem 5.22.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of some universal set  $U$ . The following are equivalent:*

1.  $A \subseteq B$

2.  $A \cap B^c = \emptyset$

3.  $A^c \cup B = U$

(for  $1 \rightarrow 2$  use contrapositive; for  $3 \rightarrow 1$  chase an element of  $A$  and show it is in  $B$ .)

End of Day