

Math 3450 - Homework # 1 - Sets  
Part B - Proofs and Conceptual Questions

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**Part 1 - Conceptual**

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1. True or False:  $\{1\} \in \mathcal{P}(\{1, 2\})$
  2. True or False:  $\{1\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\{1, 2\})$
  3. Show that the following if-then statement is false by giving a counter-example: Let  $A, B, C$  be sets. If  $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$  and  $B \cap C \neq \emptyset$ , then  $A \cap C \neq \emptyset$ .
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**Part 2 - Proofs**

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4. Prove that  $\{12n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \subseteq \{2n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \cap \{3n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ .
5. Prove that  $\{9^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \subseteq \{3^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , but  $\{9^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \neq \{3^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ .
6. Let  $A = \{2k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  and  $B = \{3n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . Prove that  $A \cap B = \{6m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ .
7. Let  $A, B, C, D$  be sets.
  - (a) Prove that if  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A \cup C \subseteq B \cup C$ .
  - (b) Prove that if  $A \subseteq B$  then  $A \subseteq B \cup C$ .
  - (c) Prove that if  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A - C \subseteq B - C$ .
  - (d) Prove that  $A \subseteq B$  if and only if  $A - B = \emptyset$ .
  - (e) Prove that  $A \subseteq B$  if and only if  $A \cap B = A$ .
  - (f) Prove that if  $B \subseteq C$ , then  $A \times B \subseteq A \times C$ .
  - (g) Prove that  $A \times (B \cap C) = (A \times B) \cap (A \times C)$ .
  - (h) Prove that  $(A \times B) \cap (C \times D) = (A \cap C) \times (B \cap D)$ .
  - (i) Prove that  $A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C$ .
  - (j) Prove that  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$ .

8. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets.
- (a) Prove that  $\mathcal{P}(A \cap B) = \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$ .
  - (b) Prove that  $\mathcal{P}(A) \cup \mathcal{P}(B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$ .
  - (c) Give an example where  $\mathcal{P}(A) \cup \mathcal{P}(B) \neq \mathcal{P}(A \cup B)$ .
9. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets. Prove that  $A - B$  and  $B$  are disjoint.
10. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets. Suppose that  $B \neq \emptyset$  and  $A \times B \subseteq B \times C$ . Prove that  $A \subseteq C$ .