

TEST 2

(Math 258)

1. (i) Let $A = \{1, 2, 5, 7\}$ and $B = \{2, 3, 7, 9, 10\}$. Find: (40 pts)

(a) $A \cup B$

(b) $A \cap B$

(c) $A - B$

(d) $B - A$

(ii) Let $A = \{\emptyset\}$ and $B = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$. Find:

(a) $P(A)$

(b) $P(P(A))$

(c) $P(\emptyset)$

(d) $B \times B$

2. Determine which of the following sets is the power set of a set. For the ones that are power sets, write down the set. (10 pts)

(a) \emptyset

(b) $\{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$

3. (a) Show that if $A \subseteq B$, then $A \cup B = B$. (10 pts)

(b) Find two sets A and B such that $A \in B$ and $A \subseteq B$.

4. (a) Show that if $A \subseteq B$, then $\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B)$. (10 pts)

(b) Show that for any sets A and B , we have $A - B = A \cap \overline{B}$.

5. Let A and B be subsets of a universal set U . Show that $A \subseteq B$ if and only if $\overline{B} \subseteq \overline{A}$. (10 pts)

(Hint: Establish the above using a Proof By Contradiction)

6. The **symmetric difference** of two sets A and B , denoted by $A \oplus B$, is the set containing those elements that belong to either A or B , but not in both. Answer the following: (10 pts)

(a) Show that $A \oplus U = \overline{A}$ (b) If $A \oplus B = A$, what can you say about B ? Explain.

7. The **successor** of a set A is the set $A \cup \{A\}$. Find the successors of the following sets: (10 pts)

(a) \emptyset (b) $\{\emptyset\}$ (c) $\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$

How many elements does the successor of a set with n elements have?