

## Test 2

(Math 258 A)

1. (i) Let  $A = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$  and  $B = \{p, d, k, f\}$ . Find:

a.  $A \cup B = ?$

$$A \cup B = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, k, p\}$$

b.  $A \cap B = ?$

$$A \cap B = \{d, f\}$$

c.  $A - B = ?$

$$A - B = \{a, b, c, e\}$$

d.  $B - A = ?$

$$B - A = \{p, k\}$$

(ii) Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $B = \{a, b\}$ . Find

a.  $P(A) = ?$

$$P(A) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 2, 3\}\}$$

b.  $A \times B = ?$

$$A \times B = \{ \{1, a\}, \{1, b\}, \\ \{2, a\}, \{2, b\}, \\ \{3, a\}, \{3, b\} \}$$

(iii) Let  $A = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$ . Find:

a.  $P(A) = ?$

$$P(A) = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\{\emptyset\}\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$$

b.  $P(P(A)) = ?$

$P(P(A))$  = the set that consists of the following elements:

1	$\emptyset$
2	$\{\emptyset\}$
3	$\{\{\emptyset\}\}$
4	$\{\{\{\emptyset\}\}\}$
5	$\{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$
6	$\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$
7	$\{\emptyset, \{\{\emptyset\}\}\}$
8	$\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$

9	$\{\{\emptyset\}, \{\{\emptyset\}\}\}$
10	$\{\{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$
11	$\{\{\{\emptyset\}\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$
12	$\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\{\emptyset\}\}\}$
13	$\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$
14	$\{\{\{\emptyset\}\}, \{\{\emptyset\}\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$
15	$\{\emptyset, \{\{\emptyset\}\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$
16	$\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\{\emptyset\}\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}$

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.

a.  $\{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$

This is a power set. The set is  $\{a\}$ .

b.  $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{\emptyset, a\}\}$

This isn't a power set. It's missing  $\{\emptyset\}$ .

3. Show that if  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A \cap B = A$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } x \in A \cap B &\Rightarrow x \in A \wedge x \in B \\ &\Rightarrow x \in A \end{aligned}$$

i.e.  $A \cap B \subseteq A$ .

$$\text{Let } x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B, \text{ because } A \subseteq B$$

$$\text{So, since } x \in A \text{ and } x \in B \Rightarrow x \in A \cap B$$

i.e.  $A \subseteq A \cap B$ .

Since  $A \cap B \subseteq A$  and  $A \subseteq A \cap B$ , we have that  $A \cap B = A$ .

4. Show that if  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $P(A) \subseteq P(B)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } S \in P(A) &\Rightarrow S \subseteq A \\ &\Rightarrow S \subseteq B, \text{ since } A \subseteq B \\ &\Rightarrow S \in P(B) \end{aligned}$$

i.e.  $P(A) \subseteq P(B)$ .

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

$$\begin{aligned} A - B &= \{x \mid x \in A - B\} \\ &= \{x \mid x \in A \wedge x \notin B\} \\ &= \{x \mid x \in A \wedge x \in \overline{B}\} \\ &= \{x \mid x \in A \cap \overline{B}\} \end{aligned}$$

6. The **symmetric difference** of the 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:

- a. Show that  $A \oplus \emptyset = A$

$$\begin{aligned} A \oplus \emptyset &= \{x \mid (x \in A \wedge x \notin \emptyset) \vee (x \notin A \wedge x \in \emptyset)\} \\ &= \{x \mid (x \in A \wedge \mathbf{T}) \vee (x \notin A \wedge \mathbf{F})\} \\ &= \{x \mid x \in A \vee \mathbf{F}\} \\ &= \{x \mid (x \in A)\} \\ &= A \end{aligned}$$

- b. If  $A \oplus B = A$ , what can you say about  $B$ ? Explain.

$B$  must be the empty set. If  $B$  had anything other than the empty set in it, say  $x$ , this  $x$  could either be in  $A$  or not.

Case 1: If  $x \in A$ , then it wouldn't be included in the final outcome since it is defined as the set of all elements that belong to either  $A$  or  $B$ , not both, and it the final outcome wouldn't equal  $A$ , so contradiction.

Case 2: If  $x$  isn't in  $A$ , then it would be included in the final outcome and it wouldn't equal only  $A$ , so another contradiction.