

# CSE 390Z: Mathematics for Computation Workshop

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## Week 5 Workshop Solutions

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### Conceptual Review

#### Set Theory

(a) **Definitions**

Set Equality:  $A = B := \forall x(x \in A \leftrightarrow x \in B)$

Subset:  $A \subseteq B := \forall x(x \in A \rightarrow x \in B)$

Union:  $A \cup B := \{x : x \in A \vee x \in B\}$

Intersection:  $A \cap B := \{x : x \in A \wedge x \in B\}$

Set Difference:  $A \setminus B = A - B := \{x : x \in A \wedge x \notin B\}$

Set Complement:  $\overline{A} = A^C := \{x : x \notin A\}$

Powerset:  $\mathcal{P}(A) := \{B : B \subseteq A\}$

Cartesian Product:  $A \times B := \{(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}$

(b) How do we prove that for sets  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $A \subseteq B$ ?

**Solution:**

Let  $x \in A$  be arbitrary... thus  $x \in B$ . Since  $x$  was arbitrary,  $A \subseteq B$ .

(c) How do we prove that for sets  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $A = B$ ?

**Solution:**

Use two subset proofs to show that  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq A$ .

#### Number Theory

(d) **Definitions**

$a$  divides  $b$ :  $a \mid b \leftrightarrow \exists k \in \mathbb{Z} (b = ka)$

$a$  is congruent to  $b$  modulo  $m$ :  $a \equiv b \pmod{m} \leftrightarrow m \mid (a - b)$

(e) What's the Division Theorem?

**Solution:**

For  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $d \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $d > 0$ , there exist unique integers  $q, r$  with  $0 \leq r < d$ , such that  $a = dq + r$ .

## Set Theory

### 1. Set Operations

Let  $A = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 8\}$  and  $B = \{2, 3, 5\}$ .

(a) What is the set  $A \cap (B \cup \{2, 8\})$ ?

**Solution:**

$\{2, 5, 8\}$

(b) What is the set  $\{10\} \cup (A \setminus B)$ ?

**Solution:**

$\{1, 6, 8, 10\}$

(c) What is the set  $\mathcal{P}(B)$ ?

**Solution:**

$\{\{2, 3, 5\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 5\}, \{3, 5\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{5\}, \emptyset\}$

(d) How many elements are in the set  $A \times B$ ? List 3 of the elements.

**Solution:**

15 elements, for example  $(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 5)$ .

### 2. Standard Set Proofs

(a) Prove that  $A \cap B \subseteq A \cup B$  for any sets  $A, B$ .

**Solution:**

Let  $x \in A \cap B$  be arbitrary. Then by definition of intersection,  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$ . So certainly  $x \in A$  or  $x \in B$ . Then by definition of union,  $x \in A \cup B$ .

(b) Prove that  $A \cap (A \cup B) = A$  for any sets  $A, B$ .

**Solution:**

$\Rightarrow$

Let  $x \in A \cap (A \cup B)$  be arbitrary. Then by definition of intersection,  $x \in A$  and  $x \in A \cup B$ . So certainly,  $x \in A$ . Since  $x$  was arbitrary,  $A \cap (A \cup B) \subseteq A$ .

$\Leftarrow$

Let  $x \in A$  be arbitrary. So certainly  $x \in A$  or  $x \in B$ . Then by definition of union,  $x \in A \cup B$ . Since  $x \in A$  and  $x \in A \cup B$ , by definition of intersection,  $x \in A \cap (A \cup B)$ . Since  $x$  was arbitrary,  $A \subseteq A \cap (A \cup B)$ .

Thus we have shown that  $A \cap (A \cup B) = A$  through two subset proofs.

(c) Prove that  $A \cap (A \cup B) = A \cup (A \cap B)$  for any sets  $A, B$ .

### Solution:

$\Rightarrow$

Let  $x \in A \cap (A \cup B)$  be arbitrary. Then by definition of intersection  $x \in A$  and  $x \in A \cup B$ . Since  $x \in A$ , then certainly  $x \in A$  or  $x \in A \cap B$ . Then by definition of union,  $x \in A \cup (A \cap B)$ . Thus since  $x$  was arbitrary, we have shown  $A \cap (A \cup B) \subseteq A \cup (A \cap B)$ .

$\Leftarrow$

Let  $x \in A \cup (A \cap B)$  be arbitrary. Then by definition of union,  $x \in A$  or  $x \in A \cap B$ . Then by definition of intersection,  $x \in A$ , or  $x \in A$  and  $x \in B$ . Then by distributivity,  $x \in A$  or  $x \in A$ , and  $x \in A$  or  $x \in B$ . Then by idempotency,  $x \in A$ , and  $x \in A$  or  $x \in B$ . Then by definition of union,  $x \in A$ , and  $x \in A \cup B$ . Then by definition of intersection,  $x \in A \cap (A \cup B)$ . Thus since  $x$  was arbitrary, we have shown that  $A \cup (A \cap B) \subseteq A \cap (A \cup B)$ .

Thus we have shown  $A \cap (A \cup B) = A \cup (A \cap B)$  through two subset proofs.

## 3. Cartesian Product Proof

Write an English proof to show that  $A \times C \subseteq (A \cup B) \times (C \cup D)$ .

### Solution:

Let  $x \in A \times C$  be arbitrary. Then  $x$  is of the form  $x = (y, z)$ , where  $y \in A$  and  $z \in C$ . Then certainly  $y \in A$  or  $y \in B$ . Then by definition of union,  $y \in (A \cup B)$ . Similarly, since  $z \in C$ , certainly  $z \in C$  or  $z \in D$ . Then by definition,  $z \in (C \cup D)$ . Since  $x = (y, z)$ , then  $x \in (A \cup B) \times (C \cup D)$ . Since  $x$  was arbitrary, we have shown  $A \times C \subseteq (A \cup B) \times (C \cup D)$ .

## 4. Powerset Proof

Suppose that  $A \subseteq B$ . Prove that  $\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B)$ .

### Solution:

Let  $X$  be an arbitrary set in  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ . By definition of power set,  $X \subseteq A$ . We need to show that  $X \in \mathcal{P}(B)$ , or equivalently, that  $X \subseteq B$ . Let  $x \in X$  be arbitrary. Since  $X \subseteq A$ , it must be the case that  $x \in A$ . We were given that  $A \subseteq B$ . By definition of subset, any element of  $A$  is an element of  $B$ . So, it must also be the case that  $x \in B$ . Since  $x$  was arbitrary, we know any element of  $X$  is an element of  $B$ . By definition of subset,  $X \subseteq B$ . By definition of power set,  $X \in \mathcal{P}(B)$ . Since  $X$  was an arbitrary set, any set in  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  is in  $\mathcal{P}(B)$ , or, by definition of subset,  $\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B)$ .

## 5. Set Prove or Disprove

(a) Prove or disprove: For any sets  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $A \cup B \subseteq A \cap B$ .

### Solution:

We wish to disprove this claim via a counterexample. Choose  $A = \{1\}$ ,  $B = \emptyset$ . Note that  $A \cup B = \{1\} \cup \emptyset = \{1\}$  by definition of set union. Note that  $A \cap B = \{1\} \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$  by definition of set intersection.  $\{1\} \not\subseteq \emptyset$ , so the claim does not hold for these sets. Since we found a counterexample to the claim, we have shown that it is not the case that  $A \cup B \subseteq A \cap B$  for all sets  $A$  and  $B$ .

(b) Prove or disprove: For any sets  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ , if  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq C$ , then  $A \subseteq C$ .

### Solution:

Let  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  be sets, and suppose  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq C$ . Let  $x$  be an arbitrary element of  $A$ . Then, by definition of subset,  $x \in B$ , and by definition of subset again,  $x \in C$ . Since  $x$  was an arbitrary element

of  $A$ , we see that all elements of  $A$  are in  $C$ , so by definition of subset,  $A \subseteq C$ . So, for any sets  $A, B, C$ , if  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq C$ , then  $A \subseteq C$ .

## Number Theory

### 6. Modular Computation

- (a) Circle the statements below that are true.  
Recall for  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ :  $a|b$  iff  $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z} (b = ka)$ .

- (a)  $1|3$
- (b)  $3|1$
- (c)  $2|2018$
- (d)  $-2|12$
- (e)  $1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4|1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5$

#### Solution:

- (a) True
- (b) False
- (c) True
- (d) True
- (e) True

- (b) Circle the statements below that are true.  
Recall for  $a, b, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $m > 0$ :  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  iff  $m|(a - b)$ .

- (a)  $-3 \equiv 3 \pmod{3}$
- (b)  $0 \equiv 9000 \pmod{9}$
- (c)  $44 \equiv 13 \pmod{7}$
- (d)  $-58 \equiv 707 \pmod{5}$
- (e)  $58 \equiv 707 \pmod{5}$

#### Solution:

- (a) True
- (b) True
- (c) False
- (d) True
- (e) False

## 7. Modular Addition

Let  $m$  be a positive integer. Prove that if  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$ , then  $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m}$ .

### Solution:

Let  $m > 0$ ,  $a, b, c, d$  be arbitrary integers. Assume that  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$ . Then by definition of mod,  $m \mid (a - b)$  and  $m \mid (c - d)$ . Then by definition of divides, there exists some integer  $k$  such that  $a - b = mk$ , and there exists some integer  $j$  such that  $c - d = mj$ . Then  $(a - b) + (c - d) = mk + mj$ . Rearranging,  $(a + c) - (b + d) = m(k + j)$ . Then by definition of divides,  $m \mid (a + c) - (b + d)$ . Then by definition of congruence,  $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{m}$ .

## 8. Divisibility Proof

Let the domain of discourse be integers. Consider the following claim:

$$\forall n \forall d ((d \mid n) \rightarrow (-d \mid n))$$

(a) Translate the claim into English.

### Solution:

For integers  $n, d$ , if  $d \mid n$ , then  $-d \mid n$ .

(b) Write an English proof that the claim holds.

### Solution:

Let  $d, n$  be arbitrary integers, and suppose  $d \mid n$ . By definition of divides, there exists some integer  $k$  such that  $n = dk = 1 \cdot dk$ . Note that  $-1 \cdot -1 = 1$ . Substituting, we see  $n = (-1)(-1)dk$ . Rearranging, we have  $n = (-d)(-1 \cdot k)$ . Since  $k$  is an integer,  $-1 \cdot k$  is an integer because the integers are closed under multiplication. So, by definition of divides,  $-d \mid n$ . Since  $d$  and  $n$  were arbitrary, it follows that for any integers  $d$  and  $n$ , if  $d \mid n$ , then  $-d \mid n$ .

## 9. Modular Multiplication

Write an English proof to prove that for an integer  $m > 0$  and any integers  $a, b, c, d$ , if  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$ , then  $ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$ .

### Solution:

Let  $m > 0$ ,  $a, b, c, d$  be arbitrary integers. Assume that  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$ . Then by definition of mod,  $m \mid (a - b)$  and  $m \mid (c - d)$ . Then by definition of divides, there exists some integer  $k$  such that  $a - b = mk$ , and there exists some integer  $j$  such that  $c - d = mj$ . Then  $a = b + mk$  and  $c = d + mj$ . So, multiplying,  $ac = (b + mk)(d + mj) = bd + mkd + mjb + m^2jk = bd + m(kd + jb + mj k)$ . Subtracting  $bd$  from both sides,  $ac - bd = m(kd + jb + mj k)$ . By definition of divides,  $m \mid ac - bd$ . Then by definition of congruence,  $ac \equiv bd \pmod{m}$ .

## 10. Another Divisibility Proof

Write an English proof to prove that if  $k$  is an odd integer, then  $4 \mid k^2 - 1$ .

### Solution:

Let  $k$  be an arbitrary odd integer. Then by definition of odd,  $k = 2j + 1$  for some integer  $j$ . Then  $k^2 - 1 = (2j + 1)^2 - 1 = 4j^2 + 4j + 1 - 1 = 4j^2 + 4j = 4(j^2 + j)$ . Then by definition of divides,  $4 \mid k^2 - 1$ .