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1. (14 points) Suppose  $A, B$  and  $C$  are sets, and  $C \neq \emptyset$ . Prove that  $A \times C \subseteq B \times C$  if and only if  $A \subseteq B$ .

**Proof.** First we will prove that if  $A \times C \subseteq B \times C$ , then  $A \subseteq B$ .  
We use direct proof. Suppose  $A \times C \subseteq B \times C$ .

To show  $A \subseteq B$ , suppose  $a \in A$ . Since  $C \neq \emptyset$ , there is an element  $c \in C$ .  
Therefore  $(a, c) \in A \times C$  by definition of the Cartesian product.  
As  $A \times C \subseteq B \times C$ , it follows that  $(a, c) \in B \times C$ .  
From this, we get  $a \in B$  by definition of the Cartesian product.  
We've now shown  $a \in A$  implies  $a \in B$ , so  $A \subseteq B$ .

This completes the proof that if  $A \times C \subseteq B \times C$ , then  $A \subseteq B$ .

Conversely, we need to prove that  $A \subseteq B$  implies  $A \times C \subseteq B \times C$ .

We use direct proof. Suppose  $A \subseteq B$ .

We need to show  $A \times C \subseteq B \times C$ .  
Thus assume  $(a, c) \in A \times C$ .  
Then  $a \in A$  and  $c \in C$  by definition of the Cartesian product.  
Because  $A \subseteq B$ , it follows from  $a \in A$  that also  $a \in B$ .  
Now we have  $a \in B$  and  $c \in C$ , so  $(a, c) \in B \times C$ .  
From this it follows that  $A \times C \subseteq B \times C$ .

This completes the proof that if  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A \times C \subseteq B \times C$ . ■

2. Suppose  $A, B, C$  and  $D$  are sets.

(a) (10 points) Prove that  $(A \times B) \cup (C \times D) \subseteq (A \cup C) \times (B \cup D)$ .

**Proof.** Suppose  $(a, b) \in (A \times B) \cup (C \times D)$ .

By definition of union, this means  $(a, b) \in (A \times B)$  **or**  $(a, b) \in (C \times D)$ .

We examine these two cases individually.

**Case 1.** Suppose  $(a, b) \in (A \times B)$ . By definition of  $\times$ , it follows that  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$ .

From this, it follows from the definition of  $\cup$  that  $a \in A \cup C$  and  $b \in B \cup D$ .

Again from the definition of  $\times$ , we get  $(a, b) \in (A \cup C) \times (B \cup D)$ .

**Case 2.** Suppose  $(a, b) \in (C \times D)$ . By definition of  $\times$ , it follows that  $a \in C$  and  $b \in D$ .

From this, it follows from the definition of  $\cup$  that  $a \in A \cup C$  and  $b \in B \cup D$ .

Again from the definition of  $\times$ , we get  $(a, b) \in (A \cup C) \times (B \cup D)$ .

In either case, we obtained  $(a, b) \in (A \cup C) \times (B \cup D)$ ,

so we've proved that  $(a, b) \in (A \times B) \cup (C \times D)$  implies  $(a, b) \in (A \cup C) \times (B \cup D)$ .

Therefore  $(A \times B) \cup (C \times D) \subseteq (A \cup C) \times (B \cup D)$ . ■

(b) (10 points) Give a counterexample showing  $(A \times B) \cup (C \times D) = (A \cup C) \times (B \cup D)$  is not always true.

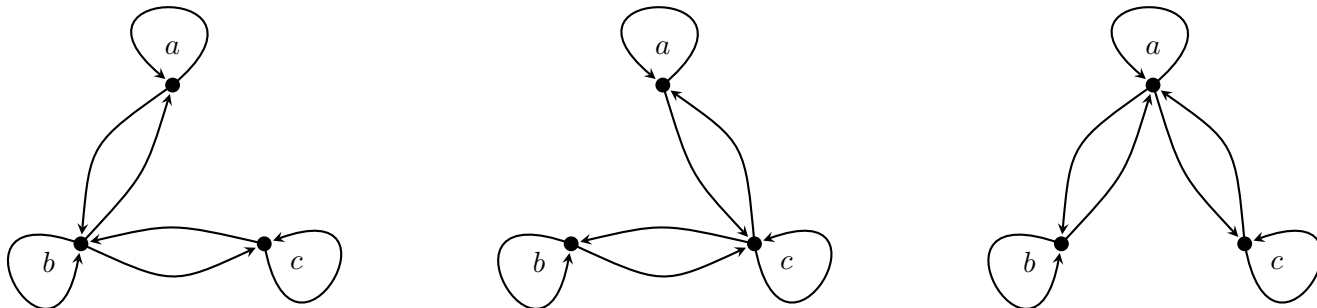
Let  $A = \{a\}$ ,  $B = \{b\}$ ,  $C = \{c\}$ , and  $D = \{d\}$ .

Then  $(A \times B) \cup (C \times D) = \{(a, b)\} \cup \{(c, d)\} = \{(a, b), (c, d)\}$ .

Also,  $(A \cup C) \times (B \cup D) = \{a, c\} \times \{b, d\} = \{(a, b), (a, d), (c, b), (c, d)\}$ .

Then  $(A \times B) \cup (C \times D) \neq (A \cup C) \times (B \cup D)$ .

3. (10 points) Draw diagrams for all the different relations on  $A = \{a, b, c\}$  that are both reflexive and symmetric, but **not** transitive.



**Editorial Comment:** In grading the tests, I noticed that there was a tendency to include  $R = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c)\}$ . This relation is actually transitive, for it is impossible for  $(xRy) \wedge (yRz) \implies xRz$  to ever be false.

4. (14 points) Prove that  $3^1 + 3^2 + 3^3 + \dots + 3^n = \frac{3^{n+1} - 3}{2}$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Proof** (Induction) If  $n = 1$ , then this statement is simply  $3^1 = \frac{3^2 - 3}{2} = \frac{6}{2} = 3$ , which is true.

Now we will show that if the statement is true for some  $n = k \geq 1$ , then it is true for  $n = k + 1$ . In other words, we will prove that **if**  $3^1 + 3^2 + 3^3 + \dots + 3^k = \frac{3^{k+1} - 3}{2}$ , **then**  $3^1 + 3^2 + 3^3 + \dots + 3^k + 3^{k+1} = \frac{3^{(k+1)+1} - 3}{2}$ . We use direct proof. Assume  $3^1 + 3^2 + 3^3 + \dots + 3^k = \frac{3^{k+1} - 3}{2}$ . Observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
 3^1 + 3^2 + 3^3 + \dots + 3^k + 3^{k+1} &= (3^1 + 3^2 + 3^3 + \dots + 3^k) + 3^{k+1} \\
 &= \frac{3^{k+1} - 3}{2} + 3^{k+1} \\
 &= \frac{3^{k+1} - 3}{2} + \frac{2 \cdot 3^{k+1}}{2} \\
 &= \frac{3^{k+1} - 3 + 2 \cdot 3^{k+1}}{2} \\
 &= \frac{3 \cdot 3^{k+1} - 3}{2} \\
 &= \frac{3^1 \cdot 3^{k+1} - 3}{2} \\
 &= \frac{3^{(k+1)+1} - 3}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

We have now established that  $3^1 + 3^2 + 3^3 + \dots + 3^k + 3^{k+1} = \frac{3^{(k+1)+1} - 3}{2}$ . Thus we have shown that if the statement is true for  $n = k$ , then it is true for  $n = k + 1$ . This completes the proof by induction. ■

5. (14 points) Recall that the Fibonacci Sequence is defined as  $F_1 = 1$ ,  $F_2 = 1$  and  $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$  for  $n \geq 3$ .

Use induction to prove that  $\sum_{i=1}^n F_i^2 = F_n F_{n+1}$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Proof** (Induction)

If  $n = 1$ , then this statement is simply  $\sum_{i=1}^1 F_i^2 = F_1 F_{1+1}$ , that is,  $F_1^2 = F_1 F_2$ , which is just the (true) statement  $1^2 = 1 \cdot 1$ .

Now we will show that if the statement is true for some  $n = k \geq 1$ , then it is true for  $n = k + 1$ . In other words, we will prove that **if**  $\sum_{i=1}^k F_i^2 = F_k F_{k+1}$ , **then**  $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} F_i^2 = F_{k+1} F_{(k+1)+1}$ . We use direct proof. Assume

$\sum_{i=1}^k F_i^2 = F_k F_{k+1}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} F_i^2 &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^k F_i^2 \right) + F_{k+1}^2 \\ &= F_k F_{k+1} + F_{k+1}^2 \\ &= F_{k+1} (F_k + F_{k+1}) \\ &= F_{k+1} (F_{k+2}) && \text{(As } F_k + F_{k+1} = F_{k+2} \text{ by definition of the Fibonacci sequence.)} \\ &= F_{k+1} F_{(k+1)+1} \end{aligned}$$

We have now established that  $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} F_i^2 = F_{k+1} F_{(k+1)+1}$ . Thus we have shown that if the statement is true for  $n = k$ , then it is true for  $n = k + 1$ . This completes the proof by induction. ■

6. (14 points) Prove or disprove:  
 If  $A$  and  $B$  are sets, then  $\mathcal{P}(A) - \mathcal{P}(B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A - B)$ .

This is **false**.

**Disproof:** Here is a counterexample:

Let  $A = \{1, 2\}$  and  $B = \{1\}$ .

Then  $\mathcal{P}(A) - \mathcal{P}(B) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{1, 2\}\} - \{\emptyset, \{1\}\} = \{\{2\}, \{1, 2\}\}$ .

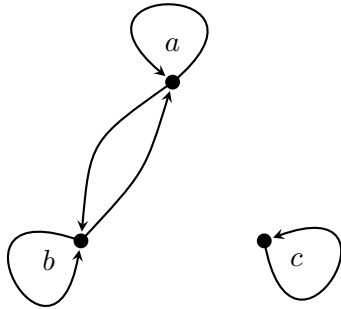
Also  $\mathcal{P}(A - B) = \mathcal{P}(\{2\}) = \{\emptyset, \{2\}\}$ .

In this example we have  $\mathcal{P}(A) - \mathcal{P}(B) \not\subseteq \mathcal{P}(A - B)$ .

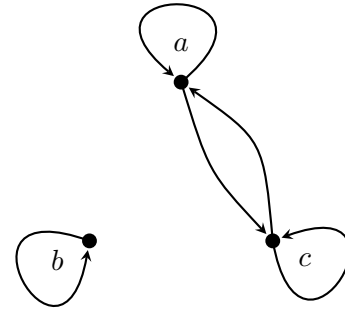
7. (14 points) Prove or disprove:  
 Suppose  $R$  and  $S$  are equivalence relations on a set  $A$ . Then  $R \cup S$  is also an equivalence relation on  $A$ .

This is **false**.

For a counterexample, let  $R$  and  $S$  be the equivalence relations on  $A = \{a, b, c\}$  diagrammed below.



$$R = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (a, b), (b, a)\}$$



$$S = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (a, c), (c, a)\}$$

Both  $R$  and  $S$  are equivalence relations, because they are reflexive, symmetric and transitive. Their union is the relation  $T = R \cup S = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (a, b), (b, a), (a, c), (c, a)\}$ , which is diagrammed below. It is not transitive because  $(bTa) \wedge (aTc) \implies (bTc)$  is false. Therefore the union is not an equivalence relation.

