

Math 4200
Assignment 4

Text Exercises: Sets – 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10

1. Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$. Suppose that $A \subset S$ and that A is represented by the binary sequence $a_1 a_2 \dots a_n$. This means that $a_j = 1$ if $x_j \in A$ and $a_j = 0$ if $x_j \notin A$.

a) How can the number of elements of A be determined from $a_1 a_2 \dots a_n$?

b) Which binary sequence corresponds to \emptyset ?

c) Which sequence corresponds to $A = \{x_1, x_4, x_7, \dots, x_9\}$ Assume $n > 9$.

d) Use the Fundamental Counting Principle to determine the number of subsets of S .

2. Let U be a set and A, B, C be subsets of U . Prove that

$$A \times (B \cup C) = (A \times B) \cup (A \times C).$$

3. Let R^+ denote the positive real numbers. For $\delta \in R^+$, let $B_\delta = (13 - \delta, 13 + \delta)$.

Find $\bigcap_{\delta \in R^+} B_\delta$ and $\bigcup_{\delta \in R^+} B_\delta$.