

## CISC-102

### HOMEWORK 1

Please work on these problems and be prepared to share your solutions next week. Assignments will **not** be collected for grading. I will go over the solutions to the problems in class and after class I will post them on the course web page.

### READINGS

Read sections 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, and 1.4 of *Schaum's Outline of Discrete Mathematics*.

Read sections 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3 of *Discrete Mathematics Elementary and Beyond*.

### PROBLEMS

- (1) Rewrite the following statements using set notation, and then give an example by listing members of sets that match the description. For example: A is a subset of C. Answer:  $A \subseteq C$ .  $A = \{1, 2\}$ ,  $C = \{1, 2, 3\}$ .
  - (a) The element 1 is not a member of (the set) A.
  - (b) The element 5 is a member of B.
  - (c) A is not a subset of D
  - (d) E and F contain the same elements.
  - (e) A is the set of integers larger than three and less than 12.
  - (f) B is the set of even natural numbers less than 15.
  - (g) C is the set of natural numbers  $x$  such that  $4 + x = 3$ .
- (2)  $A = \{x : 3x = 6\}$ .  $A = 2$ , true or false?
- (3) Which of the following sets are equal  $\{r, s, t\}$ ,  $\{t, s, r\}$ ,  $\{s, r, t\}$ ,  $\{t, r, s\}$ .
- (4) Consider the sets  $\{4, 2\}$ ,  $\{x : x^2 - 6x + 8 = 0\}$ ,  $\{x : x \in \mathbb{N}, x \text{ is even}, 1 < x < 5\}$ . Which one of these sets is equal to  $\{4, 2\}$
- (5) Which of the following sets are equal:  $\emptyset$ ,  $\{\emptyset\}$ ,  $\{0\}$ .
- (6) Explain the difference between  $A \subseteq B$ , and  $A \subset B$ , and give example sets that satisfy the two statements.
- (7) Consider the following sets  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  $B = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$ ,  $C = \{3, 4\}$ ,  $D = \{4, 5, 6\}$ ,  $E = \{3\}$ .
  - (a) Let  $X$  be a set such that  $X \subseteq A$  and  $X \subseteq B$ . Which of the sets could be  $X$ ? For example  $X$  could be  $C$ , or  $X$  could be  $E$ . Are there any other sets that could be  $X$ ?
  - (b) Let  $X \not\subseteq D$  and  $X \not\subseteq B$ . Which of the the sets could be  $X$ ?
  - (c) Find the smallest set  $M$  that contains all five sets.
  - (d) Find the largest set  $N$  that is a subset of all five sets.
- (8) Is an "element of a set", a special case of a "subset of a set"?

- (9) Phrase the handshake counting problem using set theory notation.
- (10) List all of the subsets of  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ .
- (11) Let  $A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ . List all the subsets of  $A$  containing  $a$  but not containing  $b$ .