

Practice Test 2

Math 290

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(1) Specify whether each of the following statements is true or false. Justify your answers.

(a)  $u \in \{\{u\}, u\}$ ;      (b)  $\{u\} \subseteq \{u, \{u\}\}$ ;

(c)  $\{\emptyset\} \subset \{\{u\}\}$ ;      (d)  $\{u\} \in \mathcal{P}(\{u\})$ .

(2) Specify whether each of the following statements is true or false.

(a)  $\emptyset \in \{\{\emptyset\}\}$ ;      (b)  $\{\alpha\} \in \{\emptyset, \{\alpha\}\}$ ;

(c)  $\emptyset \subseteq \{\{\alpha\}\}$ ;      (d)  $\alpha \subseteq \{\alpha, \{\emptyset, \alpha\}\}$ .

(3) Let  $S = \{1, b, \{1, b\}\}$ . List all the elements of the power set of  $S$ .

(4) Let  $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$ ,  $A = \{1, 2, 4, 6, 8\}$ ,  $B = \{4, 5, 6\}$ , and  $C = \{3, 5, 7\}$ . List the elements of the following sets:

(a)  $(A \cap B) \cup C$ ;      (b)  $A - (B^c \cup C)$ ;      (c)  $B \times (B \cap C)$ ;

(d)  $A^c - (B \cap C)$ ;      (e)  $A \cup (\emptyset^c \cap C)$       (f)  $(A - (B - C))$ .

(5) For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $A_n = \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}, \frac{2n+1}{n}\right)$ . Find  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$  and  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$ .

(6) Prove or give a counterexample for the each of the following statements.

(a) For any three sets  $A, B, C$ ,

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

(b) Let  $\{B_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be any sequence of sets and  $A$  a set. Then

$$A \subseteq \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} B_n \implies (\exists n \in \mathbb{N})(A \subseteq B_n).$$

(7) Prove that for each natural number  $n$ ,

$$3^n > n^2.$$

(8) Let  $X$  be a set of 3 elements. Determine the number of elements of the power set of the power set of  $X$  (that is, of the set  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(X))$ ).

(9) For each natural number  $n$ , let  $A_n = \left[1 + \frac{2}{n}, \frac{6n-3}{n}\right]$ . Find  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$  and  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$ .

(10) Let  $a_1 = 0$ ,  $a_2 = 6$ , and for  $n \geq 2$ , let  $a_{n+1} = 4a_n - 3a_{n-1}$ . Prove that  $a_n = 3^n - 3$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(11) Prove or give a counterexample for the following statement. *If  $A$  and  $B$  are sets, then  $A \cup B \subseteq A \cap B$  if and only if  $A = B$ .*

(12) Determine the coefficient of  $u^3v^4$  in the binomial expansion of  $(u - 2v)^7$ .