

BBM 205  
Problem Set 4a:  
Sets, Functions, Introduction to Counting

1. For each of the following sets, determine whether 2 is an element of the set.

(a)  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \text{ is an integer greater than } 1\}$

(b)  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x \text{ is the square of an integer}\}$

(c)  $\{2, \{2\}\}$

(d)  $\{\{2\}, \{\{2\}\}\}$

(e)  $\{\{2\}, \{2, \{2\}\}\}$

(f)  $\{\{\{2\}\}\}$

2. How many different elements does  $A \times B$  have if  $A$  has  $m$  elements and  $B$  has  $n$  elements?

3. What is the cardinality of each of these sets?

a)  $\{a\}$

b)  $\{\{a\}\}$

c)  $\{a, \{a\}\}$

d)  $\{a, \{a\}, \{a, \{a\}\}\}$

4. (Spring 2015) What is the cardinality of each of these sets.

$$\emptyset, \quad \{\emptyset\}, \quad \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}, \quad \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}\}.$$

5. (Spring 2015) Determine whether each of these statements is true or false.

$$\begin{array}{lll} x \in \{x\}, & \{x\} \subset \{x\}, & \{x\} \in \{x\}, \\ \{x\} \in \{\{x\}\}, & \emptyset \subseteq \{x\}, & \emptyset \in \{x\}. \end{array}$$

6. Let  $A = \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$ ,  $B = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ , and  $C = \{4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ .

Find

a)  $A \cap B \cap C$

b)  $A \cup B \cup C$

c)  $(A \cup B) \cap C$

d)  $(A \cap B) \cup C$

7. How many license plates can be made using either three letters followed by three digits or four letters followed by two digits?
8. How many different functions are there from a set with 8 elements to a set with 3 elements?
9. How many bit strings of length 10 contain
- exactly four 1's?
  - at least four 1's?
  - at most four 1's?
  - an equal number of 0's and 1's?
10. (Spring 2015)
- How many bit strings of length seven either begin with two 0's or end with three 1's?
  - How many subsets with more than two elements does a set with 100 elements have?
  - How many ways are there to select three **unordered** elements from a set with five (different) elements when **repetition is allowed**?
11. (Fall 2016) Determine whether each of these statements is true or false.
- $0 \in \emptyset$
  - $\emptyset \in \{0\}$
  - $\{0\} \subset \emptyset$
  - $\emptyset \subset \{0\}$
  - $\{0\} \in \{0\}$
  - $\{0\} \in \{0\}$
  - $\{\emptyset\} \subseteq \{\emptyset\}$
12. Let  $A = \{a, b, c\}$ ,  $B = \{x, y\}$  and  $C = \{0, 1\}$ . Find
- $A \times B \times C$
  - $C \times B \times A$
  - $C \times A \times B$
  - $B \times B \times B$