

1. What is $\mathcal{P}(\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\})$?
2. Determine $\mathcal{P}(X \cup Y) \cap \mathcal{P}(Y)$ where $X = \{a, b\}$ and $Y = \{b, c\}$
3. The definition of an ordered pair, given by Kuratowski, is

$$(a, b) = \{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\}.$$

Show that $(a, b) = (c, d)$ if and only if $a = c$ and $b = d$.

4. Does the following alternative definitions of “ordered pairs” have the same property?

$$\begin{aligned} (a, b)_1 &= \{\{a\}, \{\{b\}\}\} \\ (a, b)_2 &= \{\{a\}, b\} \\ (a, b)_3 &= \{a, \{a, b\}\} \\ (a, b)_W &= \{\{\{a\}, \emptyset\}, \{\{b\}\}\} && \text{(Norbert Wiener)} \\ (a, b)_H &= \{\{a, 0\}, \{b, 1\}\} && \text{(Felix Hausdorff)} \end{aligned}$$

5. An equivalence relation is a binary relation R that is reflexive, transitive and symmetric. Show that the relation $(a, b) \sim (c, d)$ iff $a - c = b - d$ is an equivalence relation over the pairs of integers.
6. For an equivalence relations $\sim$ over the set X , and an element $x \in X$ let us write

$$x/\sim = \{y \in X : x \sim y\}, \quad X/\sim = \{x/\sim : x \in X\}.$$

($x/\sim$ is called the equivalence class of x). Show that

- (a) If $x \sim y$, then $x/\sim = y/\sim$.
 - (b) If $x \not\sim y$, then $x/\sim$ and $y/\sim$ are disjoint.
 - (c) $\bigcup_{x \in X} x/\sim = X$.
7. For $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ let $x \sim y$ if and only if $x - y$ is even. What does $\mathbb{Z}/\sim$ look like? How many elements does it have?
 8. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be surjective. Show that $\ker(f) = \{(a, b) : f(a) = f(b)\}$ is an equivalence relation on X . Can you find X, Y and f such that $\ker(f)$ is the relation $\sim$ from the previous exercise?