

Set theory

Prove: $(A \cup B) \cap C = (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$

We'll show $(A \cup B) \cap C \subseteq (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$

and also $(A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C) \subseteq (A \cup B) \cap C$

First: Take $x \in (A \cup B) \cap C$, WTS $x \in (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$

Since $x \in (A \cup B) \cap C$, so $x \in A \cup B$ and $x \in C$

so $(x \in A \text{ or } x \in B)$ and $x \in C$.

so $(x \in A \text{ and } x \in C)$ or $(x \in B \text{ and } x \in C)$

so $x \in A \cap C$ or $x \in B \cap C$

so $x \in (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$ as desired.

Also: Take $x \in (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$, WTS $x \in (A \cup B) \cap C$.

Since $x \in (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$, this means $x \in A \cap C$ or $x \in B \cap C$.

Case 1: if $x \in A \cap C$ then $A \cap C \subseteq (A \cup B) \cap C$

so if $x \in A \cap C$ then $x \in (A \cup B) \cap C$ as desired.

Case 2: if $x \in B \cap C$ then $B \cap C \subseteq (A \cup B) \cap C$

so if $x \in B \cap C$ then $x \in (A \cup B) \cap C$.
Shewen.

$$X - (A \cup B) = (X - A) \cap (X - B)$$

$$f(A \cup B) = f(A) \cup f(B)$$

$$f^{-1}(A \cup B) = f^{-1}(A) \cup f^{-1}(B)$$

Take $x \in X - (A \cup B)$ so $x \in X$ and $x \notin A \cup B$
so $x \in X$ and $(x \notin A$ and $x \notin B)$
so $(x \in X$ and $x \notin A)$ and $(x \in X$ and $x \notin B)$
so $x \in X - A$ and $x \in X - B$
so $x \in (X - A) \cap (X - B)$

Take $y \in f(A \cup B)$, so $\exists x \in A \cup B$ with $f(x) = y$

so $x \in A$ and $f(x) = y$ or $x \in B$ and $f(x) = y$

so $y \in f(A)$ or $y \in f(B)$

so $y \in f(A) \cup f(B)$.

$$f^{-1}(A \cup B) = f^{-1}(A) \cup f^{-1}(B)$$

Take $x \in f^{-1}(A \cup B)$ so $f(x) \in A \cup B$

so $f(x) \in A$ or $f(x) \in B$

so $x \in f^{-1}(A)$ or $x \in f^{-1}(B)$

$$\text{So } x \in f^{-1}(A) \cup f^{-1}(B)$$

Topologies

Point-set topology is about connections and "nearness"

We discuss this via open sets

in \mathbb{R} , an open set $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ means

$$\forall x \in U, \exists \varepsilon > 0 \text{ s.t. } (x - \varepsilon, x + \varepsilon) \subseteq U.$$

Thm (from \mathbb{R})

Any union of open sets is open

Any finite intersection of open sets is open.

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intersection of finitely many sets.

P.S. Topology is all about different abstract definitions of "open set"

We'll consider any way of describing open sets as long as the \cup & \cap properties hold.

Def Let X be any set, and let \mathcal{T} be a collection of subsets called "open sets".

Then \mathcal{T} is a topology on X when:

- i $X \in \mathcal{T}$ and $\emptyset \in \mathcal{T}$. "X and \emptyset are open"
- ii Any finite intersection of sets in \mathcal{T} is a set in \mathcal{T} .
- iii Any union of sets in \mathcal{T} is a set in \mathcal{T} .

If X has some topology \mathcal{T} , then these form a topological space

So \mathbb{R} , using ϵ -nbhds to define open sets, is a topological space

called " \mathbb{R} with the standard topology"

2 stupid examples of topologies

For any set X , let $\mathcal{T} = \{\emptyset, X\}$

This is a topology, called the trivial topology

Also for any X , let $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{P}(X)$

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all subsets are open.

This is a topology, called the discrete topology