# HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT \# 2 

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#### Abstract

This assignment has 5 problems on 2 pages. It is due on Thursday, September 21 in class. Talk with me if you have difficulty. Good luck!


## 1. Problem One

Using Venn diagrams, investigate whether the following statements are true or false.
(1) $A \oplus(B \cap C)=(A \oplus B) \cap(A \oplus C)$
(2) $A \oplus(B \cup C)=(A \oplus B) \cup(A \oplus C)$
(3) $A \oplus(B \oplus C)=(A \oplus B) \oplus C$
(4) $A \cap(B \oplus C)=(A \cap B) \oplus(A \cap C)$
(5) $A \cup(B \oplus C)=(A \cup B) \oplus(A \cup C)$

## 2. Problem Two

This problem has two parts.
(1) List all the sets in the power set of the following sets:
(a) $\{a, b\}$
(b) $\{a, b, c\}$
(c) $\{\emptyset, 0,\{0\}\}$
(2) List all partitions of the following sets:
(a) $\{a\}$
(b) $\{a, b\}$
(c) $\{a, b, c\}$

## 3. Problem Three

Let $X=\{a, b, c\}$ and $S$ be the partial order defined on the powerset $\mathcal{P}(X)$ given by $S=\{(A, B) \mid A \subseteq B\}$.
(1) List the elements of $S$.
(2) Draw the Hasse diagram of $S$.

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## 4. Problem Four

Let $A=\{a, b, c, d\}$. Draw the digraph of each relation on $A$ given below and decide if the relation is reflexive, symmetric, transitive or antisymmetric.
(1) $R=\{(b, b),(b, c),(b, d),(c, b),(c, c),(c, d)\}$
(2) $R=\{(a, b),(b, a)\}$
(3) $R=\{(a, a),(b, b),(c, c),(d, d)\}$
(4) $R=\{(a, a),(b, b),(c, c),(d, d),(a, b),(b, a)\}$
(5) $R=\{(a, c),(a, d),(b, c),(b, d),(c, a),(c, d)\}$
(6) $R=\{(a, b),(b, c),(c, d)\}$

## 5. Problem Five

Let $A=\{2,3,4,6,8,12,16,24\}$, and let $S$ be the partial order on $S$ defined by $S=\{(a, b) \mid a$ divides $b\}$.
(1) Find the minimal elements in $A$.
(2) Find the maximal elements in $A$.
(3) Find the least upper bound of the set $B=\{4,6,12\}$.
(4) Draw the Hasse diagram of this partial order.


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