

**MATH 2001**  
**DEFINITIONS: REVIEW II**

**Definition 1** (Cartesian product). If  $A$  and  $B$  are a sets, then  $A \times B = \{(a, b) : a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$ .

<p><b>Cartesian product</b></p> $(a, b) \in A \times B \quad \Leftrightarrow$
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**Exercise 1.** Arrange the following statements to give an outline for a proof that  $(A \cap B) \times C \subseteq (A \times C) \cap (B \times C)$ . Justify each statement by citing the appropriate definition.

*Proof.* (Start by a short introduction defining the variables and describing what will be proved.)

_____ $\Rightarrow$ _____	(by definition of _____)	)	a. $x \in A$ , $x \in B$ , and $y \in C$ .
_____ $\Rightarrow$ _____	(by definition of _____)	)	b. $(x, y) \in (A \cap B) \times C$
_____ $\Rightarrow$ _____	(by definition of _____)	)	c. $(x, y) \in A \times C$ and $(x, y) \in B \times C$
_____ $\Rightarrow$ _____	(by definition of _____)	)	d. $x \in A \cap B$ and $y \in C$
		)	e. $(x, y) \in (A \times C) \cap (B \times C)$

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**Exercise 2.** In a similar fashion, sketch proof for the statement  $(A \times C) \cap (B \times C) \subseteq (A \cap B) \times C$ . Include a brief introduction for each proof.

In Proof 2 in the Proof Portfolio, I stated the following theorem.

**Theorem.** *If  $A$  and  $B$  are sets, then  $A = B$  if and only if  $A \subseteq B$  and  $B \subseteq A$ .*

This theorem (showing that two sets are subsets of each other) is the most common technique for proving that two sets are equal.

**Exercise 3.** Show that  $A \times (B \cup C) = (A \times B) \cup (A \times C)$  by proving that

- a.  $A \times (B \cup C) \subseteq (A \times B) \cup (A \times C)$ , and
- b.  $(A \times B) \cup (A \times C) \subseteq A \times (B \cup C)$ .

**Upcoming deadlines:**

- Due Friday, Feb 19: first draft of Proof 4.
- Due Monday, Feb 22: final draft of Proof 1 and second draft of proof 2.
- Due Wednesday, Feb 24: second draft of proof 3, and first draft of proof 5.
- Due Friday, Feb 26: second draft of proof 4.