

## Set Theory (F01): Alternative Assignment

1. Provide detailed proofs of each of the following (i.e., specify the relevant function and establish that it is a one-one correspondence of the required sort):

- (i)  $\emptyset \times A \sim \emptyset$ ;
- (ii)  $\{a\} \times A \sim A$ , for any  $a$ ;
- (iii)  $A \times B \sim B \times A$ ; and
- (iv)  $A \times (B \times C) \sim (A \times B) \times C$ .

Hence show that  $0 \cdot \kappa = 0$ ,  $1 \cdot \kappa = \kappa$ ,  $\kappa \cdot \lambda = \lambda \cdot \kappa$  and  $(\kappa \cdot \lambda) \cdot \mu = (\kappa \cdot \lambda) \cdot \mu$  for any cardinal numbers  $\kappa$ ,  $\lambda$ , and  $\mu$ .

2. Provide detailed proofs of the following:

- (i)  $A^\emptyset \sim \{\emptyset\}$  (hint: even the empty set is a function!);
- (ii)  $A^{\{b\}} \sim A$ , for any  $b$ ; and
- (iii)  $A^{\{b, c\}} \sim A \times A$ , for any distinct  $a$  and  $b$ .

Hence show that  $\kappa^0 = 1$ ,  $\kappa^1 = \kappa$  and  $\kappa^2 = \kappa \cdot \kappa$  for any cardinal number  $\kappa$ .

3. Suppose that  $B$  and  $C$  are disjoint sets. Provide detailed proofs of the following:

- (i)  $A \times (B \cup C) \sim (A \times B) \cup (A \times C)$ ;
- (ii)  $A^{B \cup C} \sim A^B \times A^C$ .

Hence show that  $\kappa^{(\lambda + \mu)} = \kappa^\lambda \cdot \kappa^\mu$  and  $\kappa^{\lambda + \mu} = \kappa^\lambda \cdot \kappa^\mu$ .