

Homework 2

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1. Let \mathcal{C} be a collection of sets such that $\text{VCD}(\mathcal{C}) \geq 2$. Prove that:
 - (a) \mathcal{C} contains two sets A, B such that $|A \oplus B| = 1$;
 - (b) both $\mathcal{P}'(\mathcal{C}, s)$ and $\mathcal{P}''(\mathcal{C}, s)$ are non-empty for some $s \in S$.
2. Let \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D} be two collections of subsets of a set S . Prove that for every $m \in \mathbb{N}$ we have $\Pi_{\mathcal{C} \cup \mathcal{D}}[m] = \max\{\Pi_{\mathcal{C}}[m], \Pi_{\mathcal{D}}[m]\}$.
3. Let S be a nonempty set and let $\mathcal{C} = \{\{x\} \mid x \in S\}$. Prove that $\text{VCD}(\mathcal{C}) = 1$.
4. Let S be a nonempty set. Prove that if \mathcal{C} is a collection of subsets of S such that $|\mathcal{C}| \geq 2$, then $\text{VCD}(\mathcal{C}) \geq 1$.
5. Prove that if \mathcal{C} is a chain of subsets of a set S , then $\text{VCD}(\mathcal{C}) = 1$.
6. Let \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D} be two collections of subsets of a set S . Prove that for every $m \in \mathbb{N}$ we have $\Pi_{\mathcal{C} \cup \mathcal{D}}[m] = \max\{\Pi_{\mathcal{C}}[m], \Pi_{\mathcal{D}}[m]\}$.