

CS236 Problem Set 2

Question 1.

Let \heartsuit be the statement: $\forall n, a_n \leq a_{n+1}$.

Let \diamond be the statement: $\forall n, \forall k \leq n, a_k \leq a_n$.

(a) WTP: $\diamond \Rightarrow \heartsuit$.

Proof: Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$. $k \leq n$.

Assume $a_k \leq a_n$.

Proof by contradiction, which $\exists n, a_n > a_{n+1}$.

Since $k \leq n$, gives $k \in S$, where $S = \{n, n-1, n-2, \dots, n-n\}$.

Since $a_n > a_{n+1}$, $a_n \geq a_k$, which $\exists k$, s.t. $k' = n+1$, which $k' \notin S$, gives $(n+1) \notin S$.

However, $\forall s \in S$, $s_{\max} = n$ and $s_{\max} \geq S$, since $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $(n+1) > n$, and $(n+1) \notin S$ contradicts.

Therefore, we've proved: $(\forall n, \forall k \leq n, a_k \leq a_n) \Rightarrow (\forall n, a_n \leq a_{n+1})$, i.e. $\diamond \Rightarrow \heartsuit$.

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(b) WTP: $\heartsuit \Rightarrow \diamond$ (by simple induction).

Proof: Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, assume $a_n \leq a_{n+1}$. — assumption 1.

Base Case: when $k=0$, $a_k = a_0$ which $a_0 \leq a_n$, since $a_0 \leq a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_n \leq a_{n+1}$ from \heartsuit .

I've proved the base case is true.

Induction Step, Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Induction Hypothesis: Assume $\forall k \leq n, a_k \leq a_n$.

WTP: $\forall k \leq n+1, a_k \leq a_{n+1}$.

From induction hypothesis, $\forall k \leq n, a_k \leq a_n$.

From assumption 1, $a_n \leq a_{n+1}$, which gives $a_k \leq a_n \leq a_{n+1}$, when $k \leq n$.

When $k = n+1$, $a_k = a_{n+1} \leq a_{n+1}$, gives $\forall k \leq n+1, a_k \leq a_{n+1}$.

I've proved the induction step is true.

Therefore, $\heartsuit \Rightarrow \diamond$

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