

1 Question 1

(a) According to the definition of P:

$$\forall g_1 \in G_1, \exists t_1 \in T_1, t_1 \text{ tiles } g_1 \implies \forall g_2 \in G_2, \exists t_2 \in T_2, t_2 \text{ tiles } g_2$$

(b) Firstly, assume

$$\forall g_1 \in G_1, \exists t_1 \in T_1, t_1 \text{ tiles } g, \text{ which is the antecedent.}$$

Secondly, I will do the consequent part, which:

Let g_2 be an arbitrary element from G_2

Then, I want to prove that

$$\exists t_2 \in T_2, t_2 \text{ tiles } g_2$$

by selecting a satisfying element t_2 from T_2 and prove the element t_2 satisfies $t_2 \text{ tiles } g_2$.

(c) The diagram above illustrates one instance of G_2 grids, which being tiled by triominoes.

Firstly, we already know that for P(1), the statement $\forall g_1 \in G_1, \exists t_1 \in T_1, t_1 \text{ tiles } g$ is true which is the antecedent of this direct proof.

Secondly, the above diagram is an element of the set of all $2^2 \times 2^2$ grid with one square removed, which is an element of G_2 . By visualising those colorful triominoes, we see a combination triominoes, t_2 , which is an element of the set of all tilings of elements of G_2 using triominoes, belonging to T_2 , exists and tiles g_2 .

Therefore, the diagram above illustrates an instance of that direct proof.

(d) Given the statement to prove: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n)$, which for each natural n you can tile any $2^n \times 2^n$ grid with one cell missing using only triominoes.

Proof: We prove this by Simple Induction on n.

Base Case: Let $0 \leq n \leq 1$.

Since G_0 is the set of $2^0 \times 2^0$ grid with one cell removed, which G_0 does not contain any grid, meaning there does not exist $g_0 \in G_0$, which the statement $\forall g_0 \in G_0, \exists t_0 \in T_0, t_0 \text{ tiles } g_0$ is vacuously True.

Since G_1 is the set of all $2^1 \times 2^1$ grids with one cell removed, which by definition is a single triominoe.

Therefore, $\forall g_1 \in G_1, \exists t_1 \in T_1, t_1 \text{ tiles } g_1$ is true, which P(1) is true.

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

Induction Hypothesis: Assume that $P(k)$ is true.

By Induction Hypothesis, we know that $P(k)$ is true, which $\forall g_k \in G_k, \exists t_k \in T_k, t_k \text{ tiles } g_k$ is true. I will take 3 different g_k s, the first with right bottom corner square missing, the second with right top corner square missing, and the third with left top corner square missing. I will make the missing corners in these 3 g_k s face inwards and add a triomino

which will result in getting a ‘L’ shape. The remaining $\frac{1}{4}$ place is missing a cell to form a g_{k+1} , which can actually be an arbitrary element from G_k . By Induction Hypothesis, since $\forall g_k \in G_k, \exists t_k \in T_k, t_k \text{ tiles } g_k$ is true, the remaining G_k place can be covered by trimonoes, proving the $P(k+1)$ is true.

Therefore, we’ve proved $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n)$ is true.

