

CS321 Introduction to Theory of Computation
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1. Prove that $\overline{S_1 \cup S_2} = \overline{S_1} \cap \overline{S_2}$ where S_1 and S_2 are sets and \bar{S} is the complement of the set S .

Proof. Let $x \in (\overline{S_1 \cup S_2})$ Thus,

$$x \in \overline{S_1} \text{ and } x \in \overline{S_2}$$

$$x \notin S_1 \text{ and } x \notin S_2$$

$$x \in \overline{S_1} \cap \overline{S_2}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \overline{S_1 \cup S_2} \subset \overline{S_1} \cap \overline{S_2}$$

Let another arbitrary variable $y \in (\overline{S_1} \cap \overline{S_2})$,

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$$y \notin (S_1 \cup S_2)$$

$$y \in (\overline{S_1 \cup S_2})$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \overline{S_1} \cap \overline{S_2} \subset (\overline{S_1 \cup S_2})$$

Proof is also known as DeMorgan's Union Law

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2. A tree is a graph with no cycle. Show by induction that a tree with n nodes contains $n - 1$ edges.

Proof.

Base case: When $n = 1$, there are $(1) - 1 = 0$ edges.

The proof holds true that a tree with $n = 1$ nodes contain $n - 1 = 0$ edges

Induction Assumption:

k nodes = $k - 1$ edges for $k \geq 0$

Induction Step:

Let $n = (k + 1)$,

Then a tree containing $(k + 1)$ nodes = $(k + 1) - 1 = k$ edges

Thus, the $(k + 1)$ th node will contain k edges

Hence, nodes containing n nodes contain $n - 1$ edges

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3. A rational number is of the form m/n where m and n are integers. For example, $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{4}{7}, \frac{3}{8}, \frac{5}{9}, \frac{11}{18}, \frac{9}{25}$ are some rational numbers. Show by contradiction that $\sqrt{2}$ is not a rational number

Proof. Let $x \in \overline{(S_1 \cup S_2)}$ where $t = xy$ and $u = zw$. So,

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4. Let the input symbols in a finite automata be $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$. Design a DFA that accepts all integers which are divisible by 3. (Hint: An integer is divisible by 3 if the sum of the digits is divisible by 3)

Proof. Let $x \in \overline{(S_1 \cup S_2)}$ where $t = xy$ and $u = zw$. So,

Hello

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5. For this problem assume that the input symbols are $\{0, 1\}$. Design a DFA that accepts the binary string if it is divisible by 3.

Proof. Let $x \in \overline{(S_1 \cup S_2)}$ where $t = xy$ and $u = zw$. So,

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