

CSC165H1: Problem Set 2

Due Wednesday October 25 before 10pm

Question 1

(a)

Proof: Let $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$

$$\begin{aligned} & n^2 + 3n + 2 \\ &= n^2 + \left(2 \cdot \frac{3}{2}\right)n + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \\ &= \left(n + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Since $n \geq 1$

$$\left(n + \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} \geq 6 > 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} & n^2 + 3n + 2 \\ &= (n+1)(n+2) \end{aligned}$$

Since $(n+1), (n+2) \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $(n+1), (n+2) \notin \{1, n^2 + 3n + 2\}$
 $n^2 + 3n + 2$ is not prime ■

(b)

Proof: Let $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$

$$\begin{aligned} & n^2 + 6n + 5 \\ &= n^2 + (2 \cdot 3)n + 3^2 - 4 \\ &= (n+3)^2 - 4 \end{aligned}$$

Since $n \geq 1$

$$(n+3)^2 - 4 \geq 12 > 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} & n^2 + 6n + 5 \\ &= (n+1)(n+5) \end{aligned}$$

Since $(n+1), (n+5) \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $(n+1), (n+5) \notin \{1, n^2 + 6n + 5\}$
 $n^2 + 6n + 5$ is not prime ■

Question 2

(a)

Translation: $\exists m \in \mathcal{L} \text{ s.t. } \forall n \in \mathcal{L}, m \leq n$

Proof: We know that, any non-empty, finite set of real numbers has a minimum element

Let $c, d \in \mathbb{N}^+$

Divide \mathcal{L} into 2 parts: $\mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2$

with c be the biggest element in \mathcal{L}_1 , and d be the smallest element in \mathcal{L}_2

and every elements in \mathcal{L}_1 are smaller than elements in \mathcal{L}_2

Since for any $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$, there must exist some $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, which can make $ax+by > 0$

Then \mathcal{L}_1 is not an empty set

Since the smallest value in \mathcal{L}_1 must be desirable

Which means \mathcal{L}_1 must be finite on its left-side

At the same time in \mathcal{L}_1 has a biggest element, c , on its right-side

Which means \mathcal{L}_1 must be finite on its right-side

Hence \mathcal{L}_1 is a finite set

And \mathcal{L}_1 has a minimum element m

Because and every elements in \mathcal{L}_1 are smaller than elements in \mathcal{L}_2

m is smaller than elements in \mathcal{L}_2

Which means \mathcal{L} has a minimum element m ■

(b)

Translation: $(\exists m \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, m = ax_1 + by_1) \wedge (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, n = ax_2 + by_2 \Rightarrow n \geq m) \wedge (\forall k \in \mathbb{N}^+, \exists x_3, y_3 \in \mathbb{Z}, km = ax_3 + by_3)$

Proof: According to (a) we know $(\exists m \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, m = ax_1 + by_1) \wedge (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, n = ax_2 + by_2 \Rightarrow n \geq m)$

Which means m is the smallest element in \mathcal{L}

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}^+$

Take $x_3 = kx_1, y_3 = ky_1$

Then $ax_3 + by_3 = akx_1 + bky_1$

$$= k(ax_1 + by_1)$$

$$= km \quad \blacksquare$$

(c)

Translation: $(\exists m \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, m = ax_1 + by_1) \wedge (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, n = ax_2 + by_2 \Rightarrow n \geq m) \wedge (\forall c \in \mathbb{N}^+, (\exists x_3, y_3 \in \mathbb{Z}, c = ax_3 + by_3) \Rightarrow (\exists t \in \mathbb{Z}, c = tm))$

Proof: According to (a) we know $(\exists m \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, m = ax_1 + by_1) \wedge (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, n = ax_2 + by_2 \Rightarrow n \geq m)$

Which means m is the smallest element in \mathcal{L}

Let $c \in \mathbb{N}^+$

Then we proof by contradiction

Assume $(\exists x_3, y_3 \in \mathbb{Z}, c = ax_3 + by_3) \wedge (\forall t \in \mathbb{Z}, c \neq tm)$

Then, by Quotient-Remainder Theorem

$$\exists r \in \mathbb{Z}, c = mt + r \wedge 0 < r < m$$

Since $\exists x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, m = ax_1 + by_1$ and $\exists x_3, y_3 \in \mathbb{Z}, c = ax_3 + by_3$

$$r = c - tm$$

$$= ax_3 + by_3 - (ax_1t + by_1t)$$

$$= a(x_3 - x_1t) + b(y_3 - y_1t)$$

Which means r is also a combination of a and b

Since m is the smallest element in \mathcal{L} , $r > m$

which is contradictory to $r > m$ we got before

Hence any element $c \in \mathcal{L}$ must be a multiple of m ■

(d)

Translation: $(\exists m \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, m = ax_1 + by_1) \wedge (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, n = ax_2 + by_2 \Rightarrow n \geq m) \wedge m|a \wedge m|b$

Proof: According to (a) we know $(\exists m \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, m = ax_1 + by_1) \wedge (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, n = ax_2 + by_2 \Rightarrow n \geq m)$

Which means m is the smallest element in \mathcal{L}

Firstly, we consider a

Case1: $a = 0$

Since any integer can divide 0

$m | a$

Case2: $a > 0$

Assume $\exists c \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_3, y_3 \in \mathbb{Z}, c = ax_3 + by_3$

Take $x_3 = 1, y_3 = 0$

Then $c = a$

According to (c): any element $c \in \mathcal{L}$ must be a multiple of m

a is a multiple of m

Hence $m|a$

Case3: $a < 0$

Assume $\exists c \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_3, y_3 \in \mathbb{Z}, c = ax_3 + by_3$

Take $x_3 = -1, y_3 = 0$

Then $c = -a$

According to (c): any element $c \in \mathcal{L}$ must be a multiple of m

$-a$ is a multiple of m

Hence $m|a$

Similarly, we can prove $m|b$ ■

(e)

Translation: $(\exists m \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, m = ax_1 + by_1) \wedge (\forall c \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, c = ax_2 + by_2 \Rightarrow c \geq m) \wedge (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, (n|a \wedge n|b) \Rightarrow n|m)$

Proof: According to (a) we know $(\exists m \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, m = ax_1 + by_1) \wedge (\forall c \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, c = ax_2 + by_2 \Rightarrow c \geq m)$

Which means m is the smallest element in \mathcal{L}

Since $n|a$

We know that $\exists t_1 \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } a = t_1 n$

Since $n|b$

We know that $\exists t_2 \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } b = t_2 n$

Then $m = ax_1 + by_1$

$= at_1 n + bt_2 n$

$= n(at_1 + bt_2)$

Since $at_1 + bt_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$

We can conclude $n|m$ ■

(f)

Translation: $(\exists m \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, m = ax_1 + by_1) \wedge (\forall c \in \mathbb{N}^+ \text{ s.t. } \exists x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, c = ax_2 + by_2 \Rightarrow c \geq m) \wedge \gcd(a, b) = m$

According to (d) we know that m is a common divisor of a and b

According to (e) we know that any common divisor of a and b also divides m

Which means that any common divisor of a and b is smaller than m

Hence, m is the greatest common divisor of a and b ■

(g)

Translation: $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{N}, \forall c \in \mathbb{Z}, \gcd(a, b) = 1 \wedge a|bc \Rightarrow a|c$

Proof: We know that, for any integer a, b, c, d, e, k

If $a \equiv b \pmod{e}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{e}$

Then $ac \equiv bd \pmod{e}$ and $a^k \equiv b^k \pmod{e}$

Since $\gcd(a, b) = 1$

We know that $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } ax + by = 1$

Namely $ax = 1 - by$

$a \mid 1 - by$

$1 \equiv by \pmod{a}$

$\frac{1}{b} \cdot 1 \equiv \frac{1}{b} \cdot by \pmod{a}$

$\frac{1}{b} \equiv y \pmod{a}$

Since $a \mid bc$

$bc \equiv 0 \pmod{a}$

Hence $\frac{1}{b} \cdot bc \equiv y \cdot 0 \pmod{a}$

$c \equiv 0 \pmod{a}$

Namely $a \mid c$ ■

Question3

(a)

Proof: Assume that this statement is false

Namely, $P = \{p \mid \text{Prime}(p) \wedge p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}\}$ is infinite.

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ be the number of primes in P , and let p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k be those prime numbers

Our statement Q will be " $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, (\text{Prime}(n) \wedge n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}) \Leftrightarrow n \in P$ "

Q is True because of our assumption that $P = \{p \mid \text{Prime}(p) \wedge p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}\}$ is finite, and the definitions of k and p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k .

Now we will show that Q is False:

Define the number $s = 4p_1p_2 \dots p_k - 1$

Since $4 \mid 4p_1p_2 \dots p_k$

$s \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

Then there must exist some prime c such that $c \mid s$

Then we have 4 situations: $c \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, c \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, c \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

Because s is an odd number

c must be an odd number

Then $c \equiv 0(\text{mod}4)$ and $c \equiv 2(\text{mod}4)$ are impossible

If $c \equiv 3(\text{mod}4)$

Then $c \in \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k\}$ and $c \mid 4p_1p_2 \dots p_k$

Then $c \mid 4p_1p_2 \dots p_k - 1 - 4p_1p_2 \dots p_k = 1$

Since the only integer which can divide 1 is 1 itself and 1 is not a prime

$c \equiv 3(\text{mod}4)$ is impossible

If $c \equiv 1(\text{mod}4)$

Since we have already proved that

$c \equiv 0(\text{mod}4), c \equiv 2(\text{mod}4), c \equiv 3(\text{mod}4)$ are all impossible

Which means that s can be divided into several primes,

all with remainder 1 when divided by 4

We know that, for any integer a, b, c, d, e, k

$(a \equiv b(\text{mod} e) \wedge c \equiv d(\text{mod} e)) \Rightarrow ac \equiv bd(\text{mod} e)$

Then $s \equiv 1(\text{mod}4)$, which is contradict to $s \equiv 3(\text{mod}4)$, which we got before

Hence $c \equiv 1(\text{mod}4)$ is impossible

So far we have proved that all possible situations about c, s are wrong when P is finite

Which means $P = \{p \mid \text{Prime}(p) \wedge p \equiv 3(\text{mod}4)\}$ is infinite ■

Question4

(a)

WTS $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+ \text{ s.t. } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow g(n) \leq f(n)$

Proof: Take $n_0 = 60$

Let $h(n) = f(n) - g(n)$

Then prove by math induction

Base case: $n = 60$

$$g(n) = 1800, f(n) = 1770$$

$g(n) \leq f(n)$ is True

Induction step: Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $k \geq 60$

Assume $g(k) \leq f(k)$

$$h(k) \geq 0$$

Which means that $0.5k^2 - 2k + 1650 \geq 0$

$$h(k+1) = 0.5(k+1)^2 - 2(k+1) + 1650$$

$$= 0.5k^2 - 2k + 1650 + k - 1.5$$

$$\geq 0 + k - 1.5$$

Since $k \geq 60$

$$k - 1.5 > 0$$

Which means $h(k+1) \geq 0$

$$g(k+1) \leq f(k+1) \quad \blacksquare$$

(b)

WTS $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+ \text{ s.t. } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow g(n) \leq f(n)$

Proof: Take $n_0 = a + \sqrt{2b + a^2}$

Let $h(n) = f(n) - g(n)$

Then prove by math induction

Base case: $n = n_0 = a + \sqrt{2b + a^2}$

$$g(n) = a(a + \sqrt{2b + a^2}) + b$$

$$= a^2 + b + a\sqrt{2b + a^2}$$

$$f(n) = 0.5(a + \sqrt{2b + a^2})^2$$

$$= 0.5(2a^2 + 2a\sqrt{2b + a^2} + 2b)$$

$$= a^2 + b + a\sqrt{2b + a^2}$$

$g(n) \leq f(n)$ is True

Induction step: Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $k \geq a + \sqrt{2b + a^2}$

Assume $g(k) \leq f(k)$

$$h(k) \geq 0$$

Which means that $0.5k^2 - ak - b \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} h(k+1) &= 0.5(k+1)^2 - a(k+1) - b \\ &= 0.5k^2 - ak - b + k + 0.5 - a \\ &\geq 0 + k + 0.5 - a \end{aligned}$$

Since $k \geq a + \sqrt{2b + a^2}$

$$0 + k + 0.5 - a \geq 0.5 + \sqrt{2b + a^2} \geq 0$$

Which means $h(k+1) \geq 0$

$$g(k+1) \leq f(k+1) \quad \blacksquare$$