

CS 205 - Problem Set 3 - Proofs and Sets

Sections 01-03, 07-09

Due Date, Sunday October 16, 2022 @ 11:59 PM

Instructions

- Read Rosen 1.6-1.8 and 2.1-2.2 and/OR
- Watch cubits videos in Modules 1 and 2
- This is an individual worksheet. NO group work is permitted.
- You are authorized to seek help from course staff ONLY
- This handout is available in canvas-files.
- If you have any questions about a specific problem, please contact TA or instructor
- Submit solutions to gradescope as instructed. Failure to submit specific pages to assigned problems will result in loss of points.

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Problem 1 - Proofs

Prove the following, where n is an integer. Clearly state the proof technique you are using (direct, contraposition, contradiction)

1. if $n^3 + 1$ is odd then n is even

Contraposition

assume n is odd
and $n = 2k+1$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow n^3 + 1 &= (2k+1)^3 + 1 \\ &= 8k^3 + 12k^2 + 6k + 2 \\ &= 2(4k^3 + 6k^2 + 3k + 1) \end{aligned}$$

\Leftarrow makes $n^3 + 1$ even

if n is odd
 $\rightarrow n^3 + 1$ is even,

hence, if $n^3 + 1$ is odd $\rightarrow n$ is even

2. If n is even, then $n^3 + 1$ is odd.

Direct

$$n = 2k$$

$$\begin{aligned} n^3 + 1 &= (2k)^3 + 1 = 8k^3 + 1 = 2(4k^3) + 1 \\ &\quad \text{even} \quad \text{odd} \end{aligned}$$

makes n^3 even

hence, n is even $\rightarrow n^3 + 1$ is odd

3. $\sqrt[3]{2}$ is irrational.

Contradiction

assume $\sqrt[3]{2}$ is rational

$$\sqrt[3]{2} = \frac{p}{q} \text{ where } q \neq 0 \text{ \& } \frac{p}{q} \text{ is simplified}$$

$$2 = \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^3 = \frac{p^3}{q^3}$$

$2q^3 = p^3$ is even integer: p is even too, $p = (2k)$

$$2q^3 = (2k)^3$$

$$2q^3 = 8k^3$$

$$q^3 = 4k^3$$

$$q^3 = 2(2k)^3$$

\nwarrow makes q^3 even also

both p & q are even.
they are not simplified
hence making them
irrational

Problem 2 - Proofs of Rational and Irrational Number Properties

1. Prove that the sum two rational numbers is rational. You need to give a proof starting with the definition of a rational number. You will not get any credit for providing examples.

a rational number is one that can be represented as a quotient of 2 integers $\frac{p}{q}$ such that $q \neq 0$.

assume a & b are rational numbers. so $a = \frac{x}{y}$ & $b = \frac{m}{n}$
 $y \neq 0$ & $n \neq 0$. therefore $a+b = \frac{x}{y} + \frac{m}{n} = \frac{xn+ym}{yn}$

$xn+ym$ must be an integer because $x, y, m, \& n$ are all integers

therefore $\frac{xn+ym}{yn}$ is also rational because it is of form

$\frac{\text{int}}{\text{int}}$. this means that $a+b$ must be a rational number.

concluding, the sum of rational numbers is rational.

2. Prove that the sum of an irrational number and a rational number must be irrational. You need to give a complete proof to get credit. You will not get any credit for providing examples.

an irrational number is one that cannot be expressed as a quotient of 2 integers.

proof by contradiction: lets assume a rational number + an irrational number = a rational number

take $\frac{x}{y}$ & $\frac{m}{n}$ to be rational. fake a to be irrational.

$$\frac{x}{y} + a = \frac{m}{n} \quad \text{so} \quad a = \frac{m}{n} - \frac{x}{y} = \frac{my - xn}{ny}$$

since m, n, x, y are all integers, $\frac{my - xn}{ny}$ must take the form $\frac{\text{int}}{\text{int}}$. this contradicts our statement of rational +

irrational = rational. hence, by contradiction, rational +

irrational = irrational.

Problem 3 - Sets

Provide answers to the following questions

1. Given $R = \{1, 2\}$ and $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$

- find $R \times S$ and $S \times R$.

$$R \times S = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3)\}$$

$$S \times R = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 1), (3, 2)\}$$

- Is the Cartesian product relation commutative? That is, is it true that $R \times S = S \times R$ for any two sets R and S ? If the answer is YES, then give a proof. If the answer is NO give a counter example

No, the cartesian product relation is not commutative.

$$R = \{1, 2\}, S = \{3\}$$

$$R \times S = \{(1, 3), (2, 3)\} \text{ \& } S \times R = \{(3, 1), (3, 2)\}$$

2. Given the predicate $P(x) : 0 < x^3 - x < 100$, where x is an integer, find the truth set for the predicate. The truth set of the predicate is all values of x that satisfies the predicate. Express the answer in set notation

$$\{x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge 2 \leq x \leq 4\}$$

3. Claim: If $\text{powerset}(A) = \text{powerset}(B)$ then $A = B$. To disprove you only need to give a counter example. To prove it, you need to show detailed work.

Assume $A \neq B$. specifically let x be an element where $\{x\} \in A \wedge \{x\} \notin B$. From this

we can conclude that $\{x\} \in \text{powerset}(A) \wedge \{x\} \notin \text{powerset}(B)$.
in simpler terms, $\{x\}$ is not in both powersets A & B .

Hence, by contraposition,

$$\text{powerset}(A) = \text{powerset}(B) \rightarrow A = B$$

Problem 4 - Proofs with Sets

1. Suppose A , B , and C are sets. If $B \subseteq C$, then $A \times B \subseteq A \times C$

Assume $A \times B \not\subseteq A \times C$. $\exists (x, y) \in A \times B \wedge (x, y) \notin A \times C$

$x \in A \wedge y \in B$ but $x \in A \wedge y \notin C$

C doesn't contain element y , so $B \not\subseteq C$.

hence, by contraposition,

$$\text{if } B \subseteq C \longrightarrow A \times B \subseteq A \times C$$

2. If A , B , and C are sets, then $A - (B \cup C) = (A - B) \cap (A - C)$

Do not prove using Venn Diagrams.

let x be an element in sets such that

$x \in A$ so $x \in A - (B \cup C)$ but $x \notin B \wedge x \notin C$.

that means $x \notin B \cup C$. the element x would still exist such that $x \in (A - B) \cap (A - C)$.

hence, by definition of a set:

$$A - (B \cup C) = (A - B) \cap (A - C).$$

Problem 5 - Proofs

1. Prove by cases, that for all real numbers r, s we can show that, $\max(r, s) + \min(r, s) = r + s$

Case 1: $r > s$

$$\max(r, s) = r$$

$$\min(r, s) = s$$

$$\max(r, s) + \min(r, s) = \underline{r + s}$$

Case 2: $s > r$

$$\max(r, s) = s$$

$$\min(r, s) = r$$

$$\max(r, s) + \min(r, s) = \underline{r + s}$$

Case 3: $r = s$

$$\max(r, s) = \min(r, s)$$

$$\max(r, s) + \min(r, s) =$$

$$2r = 2s = s + r = \underline{r + s}$$

therefore $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$,
 $\max(r, s) + \min(r, s) = r + s$

2. Prove that if $ab = n$, then either a or b must be $\leq \sqrt{n}$ where a, b , and n are nonnegative real numbers.

$$ab = n, \quad a \wedge b \leq \sqrt{n}$$

proof by contradiction:

$$ab > (\sqrt{n})^2 \Rightarrow ab > n \text{ which is false}$$

hence, if $ab = n \rightarrow a \wedge b \leq \sqrt{n}$ by contradiction