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Assignment #1

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Problem Statement

Problem of this document is to solve the following problem set for assignment #1.

1. If $P(x) = 7x + 3$ is even:
 - (a) Find values of n for $P(x)$ true
 - (b) With universal and existential quantifiers write a mathematical expression that defines two complete predicates
2. Write the complete mathematical logical expression of the following: there is an odd number between any two even numbers
3. Write the complete mathematical logical expression of the following description: there is an even number between any two odd numbers
4. Write the complete mathematical logical expression of the following description: there is no number between any two consecutive numbers
5. Write the complete mathematical logical expression of the following informal description: If P is in set A , then Q is in set B . If Q is not in set B , then P is in set A . Therefore, P is not in set A or Q is not in set B .
6. Construct a truth table of the resulting logical expression.
7. Use a truth table to prove or disprove the following expression:

$$\neg(P \wedge (Q \vee R)) = \neg P \vee (\neg Q \vee \neg R)$$

Summary / Purpose

Purpose of this document is to provide solutions to the problem set outlined in the Problem Statement section.

Solutions

1. If $P(x) = 7x + 3$ is even:
 - a. Find values of n for $P(x)$ true

If $P(x) = 7x + 3$ is even, then there is some set of n such that it makes this predicate even. Consider the following:

$$P(-3) = 7(-3) + 3 = -18 \text{ which is even}$$

$$P(-2) = 7(-2) + 3 = -11 \text{ which is odd}$$

$$P(-1) = 7(-1) + 3 = 4 \text{ which is even}$$

$$P(0) = 7(0) + 3 = 3 \text{ which is odd}$$

$$P(1) = 7(1) + 3 = 10 \text{ which is even}$$

$$P(2) = 7(2) + 3 = 17 \text{ which is odd}$$

$$P(3) = 7(3) + 3 = 24 \text{ which is even}$$

$$P(4) = 7(4) + 3 = 31 \text{ which is odd}$$

$$P(5) = 7(5) + 3 = 38 \text{ which is even}$$

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$$P(2n - 1) = 7(2n - 1) + 3 = 14n - 4 \text{ which is even}$$

$$P(2n) = 7(2n) + 3 = 14n + 3 \text{ which is odd}$$

Therefore, for all odd n in the integer set, we find an x such that $x = 2n - 1$ where $P(x) = 7x + 3$ is even.

- b. With universal and existential quantifiers, write a mathematical expression that defines two complete predicates.

Considering what we've learned above, we can denote that there is a set A where there exists some n in the integer set such that $2n + 1$ and there exists x in the integer set such that $7x + 3$. This can be denoted as the following predicates:

$$P(x) = 7x + 3 = \text{is even} = 2n$$

$$Q(x) = x = \text{is odd} = 2n - 1$$

Which can be written as the following mathematical expression:

$$A = \{ \forall x \in \mathbb{Z} : \exists n \in \mathbb{Z} (7x + 3 = 2n) \wedge (x = 2n - 1) \}$$

2. Write the complete mathematical logical expression of the following:

There is an odd number between any two even numbers

This can be written as: between any two even numbers, there is an odd number.

$$A = \{ \forall x \in \mathbb{Z} \forall y \in \mathbb{Z} \forall z \in \mathbb{Z} : \exists n \in \mathbb{N} ((x = 2n) \wedge (y = 2n) \wedge (z = 2n - 1) \wedge (x < z < y)) \}$$

For all x and y integers, there exists some number n , an element of natural numbers, and there exists some number z , an element of natural numbers, where x is even, y is even, z is odd, and $x < z < y$.

3. Write the complete mathematical logical expression of the following description:

There is an even number between any two odd numbers

This description can be written as between any two odd numbers, there is an even number.

$$A = \{\forall x \in \mathbb{Z} \forall y \in \mathbb{Z} \forall z \in \mathbb{Z}: \exists n \in \mathbb{N} ((x = 2n - 1) \wedge (y = 2n - 1) \wedge (z = 2n) \wedge (x < z < y))\}$$

For all x and y integers, there exists some number n , an element of natural numbers, and there exists some number z , an element of natural numbers, where x is odd, y is odd, z is even, and $x < z < y$.

4. Write the complete mathematical logical expression of the following description:

There is no number between any two consecutive numbers

This description can also be written as between any two consecutive numbers, there is no number.

$$A = \{\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}: \neg(\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}, (x < n < x + 1))\}$$

which is equivalent to....

$$A = \{\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}: (\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, \neg (x < n < x + 1))\}$$

For all x , an element of integers, such that for all z integers there is not a z that is less than x and greater than $x + 1$.

5. Write the complete mathematical logical expression of the following informal description:

If P is in set A , then Q is in set B .

If Q is not in set B , then P is in set A .

Therefore, P is not in set A or Q is not in set B .

These three statements mean the following:

$$P \in A \rightarrow Q \in B$$

$$\neg(Q \in B) \rightarrow P \in A$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \neg(P \in A) \vee \neg(Q \in B)$$

The complete mathematical expression is then:

$$\text{Let } R = P \in A$$

Let $S = Q \in B$

$$((R \rightarrow S) \wedge (\neg S \rightarrow R)) \rightarrow (\neg R \vee \neg S)$$

6. Construct a truth table of the resulting logical expression.

R	S	$R \rightarrow S$	$\neg R$	$\neg S$	$\neg S \rightarrow R$	$(R \rightarrow S) \wedge (\neg S \rightarrow R)$	$\neg R \vee \neg S$	$((R \rightarrow S) \wedge (\neg S \rightarrow R)) \rightarrow (\neg R \vee \neg S)$
T	T	T	F	F	T	T	F	F
T	F	F	F	T	T	F	T	T
F	T	T	T	F	T	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	F	F	T	T

7. Use a truth table to prove or disprove the following expression:

$$\neg(P \wedge (Q \vee R)) = \neg P \vee (\neg Q \vee \neg R)$$

P	Q	R	$\neg P$	$\neg Q$	$\neg R$	$Q \vee R$	$\neg(P \wedge (Q \vee R))$
T	T	T	F	F	F	T	F
T	T	F	F	F	T	T	F
T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F
T	F	F	F	T	T	F	T
F	T	T	T	F	F	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	F	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	T	T	T
F	F	F	T	T	T	F	T

$(\neg Q \vee \neg R)$	$\neg P \vee (\neg Q \vee \neg R)$
F	F
T	T
T	T
T	T
F	T
T	T
T	T
T	T

Using the truth table above, we can disprove the expression above because it is not equal in two cases, one where $P = \text{True}$, $Q = \text{True}$, $R = \text{False}$ and two where $P = \text{True}$, $Q = \text{False}$, and $R = \text{True}$.

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