

Discrete Structures (MA5.101)

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1. (a) We know that the composite gf of any two injections $f : S \rightarrow T$ and $g : T \rightarrow V$ is an injection. Extend the definition of the composite gf to the case in which the domain of g contains the codomain of f . Prove or disprove:

(i) the composite gf of any two injections is an injection.

(ii) the composite gf of any two surjections is a surjection.

Solution: Consider the following Figure 1.

We have $f : S \rightarrow T$, $g : U \rightarrow V$ and $T \subset U$. The extended composition of f and g is defined by $gf : S \rightarrow V$ such that $(gf)(x) = g[f(x)]$, $\forall x \in S$.

(i). **TRUE**

RTP: gf is injection (one-one).

Let $s_1, s_2 \in S$ such that $s_1 \neq s_2$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} s_1 &\neq s_2 \\ \Rightarrow f(s_1) &\neq f(s_2), \text{ since } f : S \rightarrow T \text{ is one-one} \\ \Rightarrow g[f(s_1)] &\neq g[f(s_2)], \text{ since } g : U \rightarrow V \text{ is one-one and } T \subset U \\ \Rightarrow (gf)(s_1) &\neq (gf)(s_2) \end{aligned}$$

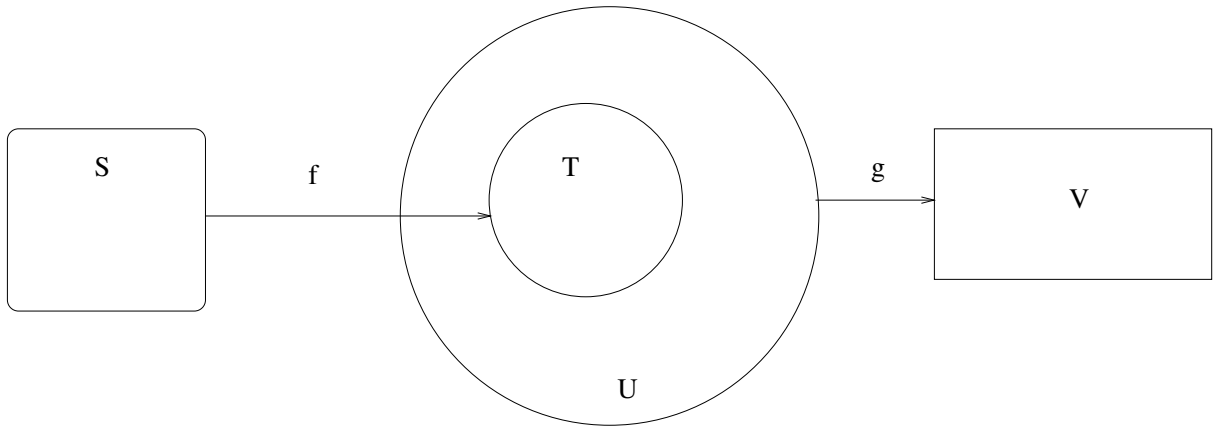


Figure 1: Extended composition gf of f and g .

As a result, we have the following:

$$\begin{aligned} s_1 &\neq s_2 \\ \Rightarrow (gf)(s_1) &\neq (gf)(s_2) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, gf is injection.

□

(ii). **FALSE**

RTP: gf is not sujection (onto).

Let $v \in V$ be such that $\forall u, g(u) = v$.

Then $u \in U - T$.

Hence, gf needs not be a sujection.

□

(b) A set S is said to be *infinite* if there is a one-to-one correspondence (bijection) between S and a proper subset of S . Using this definition, prove that the set of real numbers is infinite.

Solution: According to the given definition, the set S is called *infinite* if \exists a bijection $f : S \rightarrow S'$, where $S' \subset S$ (S' is a proper subset of S).

Here S = the set of real numbers, R . Let $S' = (-1, 1) = \{x \in R \mid -1 < x < 1\}$.

Construct a mapping $f : S \rightarrow S'$ such that

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{1+x}, & \text{if } x \text{ is positive or } 0 \ (x \geq 0) \text{ real number} \\ \frac{x}{1-x}, & \text{if } x \text{ is negative } (x < 0) \text{ real number} \end{cases}$$

Note that range of $f = [0, 1)$ when $x \geq 0$, and $(-1, 0)$ when $x < 0$. Thus, the function f is well-defined.

We now claim that f is bijective.

(i) f is one-one: Required to prove that if $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$, then $x_1 = x_2$, for $x_1, x_2 \in R$.

Case I: $0 \leq x < 1$

Let $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$. Then, $\frac{x_1}{1+x_1} = \frac{x_2}{1+x_2} \Rightarrow x_1 + x_1x_2 = x_2 + x_1x_2 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$.

Hence, $f : R \rightarrow [0, 1)$ is one-one.

Case II: $-1 < x < 0$

Let $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$. Then, $\frac{x_1}{1-x_1} = \frac{x_2}{1-x_2} \Rightarrow x_1 - x_1x_2 = x_2 - x_1x_2 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$.

Hence, $f : R \rightarrow (-1, 0)$ is one-one.

Combining above two cases, $f : R \rightarrow (-1, 1)$ is then one-one.

(ii) f is onto: Required to prove that $\forall y \in (-1, 1), \exists x \in S = R$, such that $y = f(x)$.

Case I: $y \in [0, 1)$

Then, by definition of f , $y = \frac{x}{1+x} \Rightarrow x = \frac{y}{1-y} \in R$. Hence, for every $y \in [0, 1)$, $\exists x \in R$ such that $y = f(x)$ and then $f : R \rightarrow [0, 1)$ is onto.

Case II: $y \in (-1, 0)$

Then, by definition of f , $y = \frac{x}{1-x} \Rightarrow x = \frac{y}{1+y} \in R$. Hence, for every $y \in (-1, 0)$, $\exists x \in R$ such that $y = f(x)$ and then $f : R \rightarrow (-1, 0)$ is onto.

Combining above two cases, $f : R \rightarrow (-1, 1)$ is then onto.

Thus, f is bijective and hence, the set of real numbers is infinite.

□

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2. (a) Let A , B , and C be the subsets of a set U with the properties that $B \cap C = \emptyset$ and $A = B \cup C$. Construct a bijection map $b : \mathcal{P}(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(B) \times \mathcal{P}(C)$, where $\mathcal{P}(X)$ represents the power set of a given set X .

Solution (b): Consider the mapping $b : \mathcal{P}(A) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(B) \times \mathcal{P}(C)$ such that $S \subseteq A \rightarrow (S \cap B, S \cap C)$, that is, $b(S) = (S \cap B, S \cap C)$.

Required to prove (RTP) that b is bijective, that is

(i) b is one-one, and

(ii) b is onto.

(i) RTP: $b(S_1) = b(S_2) \Rightarrow S_1 = S_2$.

Now, $b(S_1) = b(S_2)$

$\Rightarrow (S_1 \cap B, S_1 \cap C) = (S_2 \cap B, S_2 \cap C)$.

Since these are ordered pairs, so we have: $S_1 \cap B = S_2 \cap B$ and $S_1 \cap C = S_2 \cap C$.

We have, $(S_1 \cap B) \cup (S_1 \cap C) = (S_2 \cap B) \cup (S_2 \cap C)$

$\Rightarrow S_1 \cap (B \cup C) = S_2 \cap (B \cup C)$

$\Rightarrow S_1 \cap A = S_2 \cap A$

$\Rightarrow S_1 = S_2$, since $S_1 \subseteq A$ and $S_2 \subseteq A$.

Thus, b is one-one.

(ii) RTP: $\forall S_1 \subseteq B$ and $S_2 \subseteq C$, $\exists S \subseteq A$ such that $b(S) = (S_1, S_2)$, where $S = S_1 \cup S_2$.

We have,

$$\begin{aligned} b(S) &= (S \cap B, S \cap C) \\ &= ((S_1 \cup S_2) \cap B, (S_1 \cup S_2) \cap C) \\ &= ((S_1 \cap B) \cup (S_2 \cap B), (S_1 \cap C) \cup (S_2 \cap C)), \text{ using the distributive laws} \\ &= ((S_1 \cap B) \cup \emptyset, \emptyset \cup (S_2 \cap C)) \\ &= (S_1, S_2), \end{aligned}$$

since $S_1 \subseteq B$ and $S_2 \subseteq C$.

□

(b) Construct a truth table for each of these compound propositions:

(i) $(p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow \neg p)$

Answer:

$$L = (p \rightarrow q) \leftrightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow \neg p)$$

p	$\neg p$	q	$\neg q$	$(p \rightarrow q)$	$(\neg q \rightarrow \neg p)$	L
T	F	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	F	F	T
F	T	T	F	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	T	T	T

(ii) $(\neg p \leftrightarrow \neg q) \leftrightarrow (q \leftrightarrow r)$

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Answer: 3-a

$$\neg p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$$

$$\equiv p \vee (q \rightarrow r)$$

by implication law

$$\equiv p \vee (\neg q \vee r)$$

by implication law

$$\equiv \neg q \vee (p \vee r)$$

by commutative and associative laws

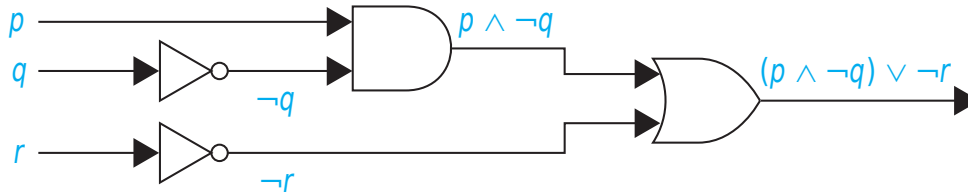
$$\equiv q \rightarrow (p \vee r)$$

by implication law

3. (a) Show that $\neg p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$ and $q \rightarrow (p \vee r)$ are logically equivalent by a series of logical equivalences.

(b) (i) Build a digital circuit that produces the output $(a \vee \neg c) \wedge (\neg a \vee (b \vee \neg c))$, where input bits a , b , and c are given.

Answer: (3-b-i) Similar answer ($p = a, q = b, r = c$)



(ii) Show that $(a \vee b) \wedge (\neg a \vee c) \rightarrow (b \vee c)$ is a tautology.

Answer: (3-b-ii) Similar answer ($p = a, q = b, r = c$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee r) \rightarrow (q \vee r) \\
 \equiv & \neg[(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee r)] \vee (q \vee r) && \text{by implication law} \\
 \equiv & [\neg(p \vee q) \vee \neg(\neg p \vee r)] \vee (q \vee r) && \text{by de Morgan's law} \\
 \equiv & [(\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee (p \wedge \neg r)] \vee (q \vee r) && \text{by de Morgan's law} \\
 \equiv & [(\neg p \wedge \neg q) \vee q] \vee [(p \wedge \neg r) \vee r] && \text{by commutative and associative laws} \\
 \equiv & [(\neg p \vee q) \wedge (\neg q \vee q)] \vee [(p \vee r) \wedge (\neg r \vee r)] && \text{by distributive laws} \\
 \equiv & (\neg p \vee q) \vee (p \vee r) && \text{by negation and identity laws} \\
 \equiv & (\neg p \vee p) \vee (q \vee r) && \text{by communicative and associative laws} \\
 \equiv & T && \text{by negation and domination laws}
 \end{aligned}$$

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