

Assignment 3 (Ch. 4)

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4.46. Let A and B be sets. Prove that $A \cup B = A \cap B$ if and only if $A = B$.

It is a biconditional, so we must prove both 1) if $A \cap B = A \cup B$ then, $A = B$ and 2) if $A = B$ then, $A \cup B = A \cap B$.

Proof of 1) By contrapositive "if $A \neq B$, then $A \cap B \neq A \cup B$ "

Assume $A \neq B$. So then either i) $x \in A, x \notin B$ or
ii) $x \in B, x \notin A$ for some x .

Case i) If $x \in A$, then $x \in A \cup B$. But if $x \notin B$,
then $x \notin A \cap B$. Therefore $A \cup B \neq A \cap B$.

Case ii) WLOG, same as proof of case i)

Proof of 2)

Assume $A = B$. So then $A \cup B = A = B$ and $A \cap B = A = B$.
Thus $A \cup B = A \cap B$. □

4.54. Prove that $\overline{A \cap B} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$ for every two sets A and B (Theorem 4.22(4b)).

We must show 1) $\overline{A \cap B} \subseteq \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$ and 2) $\overline{A} \cup \overline{B} \subseteq \overline{A \cap B}$.

1) Let $x \in \overline{A \cap B}$, so $x \notin A \cap B$. Therefore $x \notin A$ or $x \notin B$.
So $x \in \overline{A}$ or $x \in \overline{B}$. Hence $x \in \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$.

2) Let $x \in \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$, so $x \in \overline{A}$ or $x \in \overline{B}$. Therefore $x \notin A$ or $x \notin B$.
So $x \notin A \cap B$. Hence $x \in \overline{A \cap B}$. □

4.56. Let A, B and C be sets. Prove that $(A - B) \cup (A - C) = A - (B \cap C)$.

$$\begin{aligned} (A - B) \cup (A - C) &= (A \cap \overline{B}) \cup (A \cap \overline{C}) && \text{By result 4.19} \\ &= A \cap (\overline{B} \cup \overline{C}) && \text{By distributive law} \\ &= A - (\overline{B} \cap \overline{C}) && \text{By result 4.19} \\ &= A - (\overline{B \cap C}) && \text{By DeMorgan's} \\ &= A - (B \cap C) && \text{By double negation} \end{aligned}$$

4.60. For $A = \{x, y\}$, determine $A \times \mathcal{P}(A)$.

$$\begin{aligned} &\{x, y\} \times \mathcal{P}(A) \\ &= \{x, y\} \times \{\{x, y\}, \{x\}, \{y\}, \emptyset\} \\ &= \{(x, \{x, y\}), (x, \{x\}), (x, \{y\}), (x, \emptyset), \\ &\quad (y, \{x, y\}), (y, \{x\}), (y, \{y\}), (y, \emptyset)\} \end{aligned}$$

4.62. Let A and B be sets. Prove that $A \times B = \emptyset$ if and only if $A = \emptyset$ or $B = \emptyset$.

1) if $A = \emptyset$ or $B = \emptyset$ then $A \times B = \emptyset$

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$$

Since A or B has no elements, $A \times B = \emptyset$

2) if $A \times B = \emptyset$ then $A = \emptyset$ or $B = \emptyset$

Proof by contrapositive: "if $A \neq \emptyset$ and $B \neq \emptyset$ then $A \times B \neq \emptyset$ "

Assume $A \neq \emptyset$ and $B \neq \emptyset$ then there exists $a \in A$ and $b \in B$.
So $A \times B = \{(a, b)\} \neq \emptyset$.

Thus by proving the contrapositive, we have proved 2). ■

4.66. Result 4.23 states that if A, B, C and D are sets such that $A \subseteq C$ and $B \subseteq D$, then $A \times B \subseteq C \times D$.

(a) Show that the converse of Result 4.23 is false.

(b) Under what added hypothesis is the converse true? Prove your assertion.

a) converse: "if $A \times B \subseteq C \times D$, then $A \subseteq C$ and $B \subseteq D$."

If $A = \emptyset$, then $A \times B = \emptyset$ so $A \times B \subseteq C \times D$.
However, it's not necessarily true that $B \subseteq D$.

b) "if $A \times B \subseteq C \times D$ and A and B are not empty sets,
then $A \subseteq C$ and $B \subseteq D$ "

4.70. Let A and B be sets. Show, in general, that $\overline{A \times B} \neq \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$.

Consider some universal set, U . Then

$$\overline{A \times B} = U - (A \times B), \quad \overline{A} = U - A, \quad \overline{B} = U - B$$

$$\text{Let } U = \{a, b\} \quad A = \{a\} \quad B = \{b\} \quad \overline{A} = \{b\} \quad \overline{B} = \{a\}$$

$$U - (A \times B) = \{(a, a), (a, b), (b, a), (b, b)\} - \{(a, b)\} = \{(a, a), (b, a), (b, b)\}$$

$$\overline{A} \times \overline{B} = \{(b, a)\} \quad \text{So, in general } \overline{A \times B} \neq \overline{A} \times \overline{B}$$

4.4. Let $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$. Prove that if $3 \nmid x$ and $3 \nmid y$, then $3 \mid (x^2 - y^2)$.

Assume $3 \nmid x$ and $3 \nmid y$, then ~~$x = 3n$~~ , $x = 3n+1$ or $x = 3n+2$ and ~~$y = 3m$~~ , $y = 3m+1$ or $y = 3m+2$ for some integer n and m .

case 1: $x = 3n+1$ and $y = 3m+1$. So

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - y^2 &= (3n+1)^2 - (3m+1)^2 \\ &= 9n^2 + 6n + 1 - 9m^2 - 6m - 1 \\ &= 3(3n^2 + 2n - 3m^2 - 2m) \end{aligned}$$

$3n^2 + 2n - 3m^2 - 2m$ is an integer, so $3 \mid (x^2 - y^2)$

case 2: $x = 3n+2$ and $y = 3m+2$. So

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - y^2 &= (3n+2)^2 - (3m+2)^2, \text{ so} \\ &= 9n^2 + 12n + 4 - 9m^2 - 12m - 4 \\ &= 3(3n^2 + 4n - 3m^2 - 4m) \end{aligned}$$

$3n^2 + 4n - 3m^2 - 4m$ is an integer, so $3 \mid (x^2 - y^2)$

case 3: $x=3n+2$ and $y=3m+1$. So

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - y^2 &= (3n+2)^2 - (3m+1)^2 \\ &= 9n^2 + 12n + 4 - 9m^2 - 6m - 1 \\ &= 3(3n^2 + 4n - 3m^2 - 2m + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$3n^2 + 4n - 3m^2 - 2m + 1$ is an integer, so $3|(x^2 - y^2)$.

case 4: $x=3n+1$ and $y=3m+2$. So

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - y^2 &= (3n+1)^2 - (3m+2)^2 \\ &= 9n^2 + 6n + 1 - 9m^2 - 12m - 4 \\ &= 3(3n^2 + 2n - 3m^2 - 4m - 1) \end{aligned}$$

$3n^2 + 2n - 3m^2 - 4m - 1$ is an integer, so $3|(x^2 - y^2)$ ■

4.10. Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Prove that $2|(n^4 - 3)$ if and only if $4|(n^2 + 3)$.

To prove the biconditional, we must prove 1) if $2|(n^4 - 3)$ then $4|(n^2 + 3)$ and 2) if $4|(n^2 + 3)$ then $2|(n^4 - 3)$.

Proof of 1)

Assume $2|(n^4 - 3)$. Since $n^4 - 3$ is divisible by 2, $n^4 - 3$ is even. So $n^4 - 3 = 2k$ for some integer k .

$$n^4 - 3 = 2k, \quad n^4 = 2k + 3 = 2(k+1) + 1$$

since $k+1$ is an integer, then n^4 is odd. By theorem 3.12 n^2 is odd, and applying the same logic again show n is odd.

So $n=2m+1$ for some integer m .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } n^4 + 3 &= (2m+1)^4 + 3 \\ &= 16m^4 + 32m^3 + 24m^2 + 8m + 4 \\ &= 4(4m^4 + 8m^3 + 6m^2 + 2m + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Since $4m^4 + 8m^3 + 6m^2 + 2m + 1$ is an integer, 4 divides $n^4 + 3$. So $4|(n^4 + 3)$

Proof of 2)

Assume $4|(n^2 + 3)$, then $n^2 + 3 = 4k$ for some integer k .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } n^2 &= 4k - 3. \quad n^4 - 3 = (4k - 3)^2 - 3 = 16k^2 - 24k + 9 - 3 \\ &= 2(8k^2 - 12k + 3) \end{aligned}$$

Since $8k^2 - 12k + 3$ is an integer, so $2|(n^4 - 3)$ ■

4.16. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Prove that if $a^2 + 2b^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$, then either a and b are both congruent to 0 modulo 3 or neither is congruent to 0 modulo 3.

We will prove this using the contrapositive
"if only one of a or b is congruent to 0 modulo 3 then $a^2 + 2b^2 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ "

case 1) $a \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$, $b \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$

und $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$x = 4n+2, y = 4m+2 \quad \text{for some } n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - y^2 &= 16n^2 + 16n + 4 - 16m^2 - 16m - 4 \\ &= 16(n^2 + n - m^2 - m) \end{aligned}$$

$$n^2 + n - m^2 - m \text{ is an integer so } x^2 \equiv y^2 \pmod{16}$$

2) if $x^2 \equiv y^2 \pmod{16}$ then ($x \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ and $y \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$)
or ($x \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ and $y \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$)

Assume $x^2 \equiv y^2 \pmod{16}$, then $x^2 - y^2 = 16k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\text{so } x^2 = 16k + y^2$$

Since y is even, $y = 2m$ for some $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, so $y^2 = 4m^2$

$$\text{so } x^2 = 16k + 4m^2 = 4(4k + m^2)$$

Since $4k + m^2$ and x^2 are integers, $4 \mid (4k + m^2)$

Also, $y^2 = x^2 - 16k$ and x is even, so $x = 2n$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\text{so } y^2 = x^2 - 16k = 4n^2 - 16k = 4(n^2 - 4k)$$

Since $n^2 - 4k$ and y^2 are integers, $4 \mid (n^2 - 4k)$