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1. [10 pts] Tautologies are logical expressions that are always true. Decide if the following proposition forms are tautologies using a truth table. Make sure your truth table shows **all** intermediate logical expressions — for example, in showing the truth table for $(p \vee \neg q) \wedge p$, your table should contain separate columns for p , q , $\neg q$, $p \vee \neg q$, as well as the final expression. You should also clearly state your final answer to the question.

(a) $[(\neg p \implies q) \implies (\neg p \wedge q)] \wedge (p \vee q)$

(b) $[p \wedge (q \implies r)] \implies (q \implies r)$

Solution.

- (a) Below is the truth table for proposition $[(\neg p \implies q) \implies (\neg p \wedge q)] \wedge (p \vee q)$

| p | q | $\neg p$ | $\neg p \implies q$ | $\neg p \wedge q$ | $p \vee q$ | $[(\neg p \implies q) \implies (\neg p \wedge q)]$ | $[(\neg p \implies q) \implies (\neg p \wedge q)] \wedge (p \vee q)$ |
|-----|-----|----------|---------------------|-------------------|------------|--|--|
| T | T | F | T | F | T | F | F |
| T | F | F | T | F | T | F | F |
| F | T | T | T | T | T | T | T |
| F | F | T | F | F | F | T | F |

From above we can conclude that Proposition $[(\neg p \implies q) \implies (\neg p \wedge q)] \wedge (p \vee q)$ is not a Tautologies.

- (b) Below is the truth table for proposition $[p \wedge (q \implies r)] \implies (q \implies r)$

| p | q | r | $q \implies r$ | $p \wedge (q \implies r)$ | $[p \wedge (q \implies r)] \implies (q \implies r)$ |
|-----|-----|-----|----------------|---------------------------|---|
| T | T | T | T | T | T |
| T | T | F | F | F | T |
| T | F | T | T | T | T |
| T | F | F | T | T | T |
| F | T | T | T | F | T |
| F | T | F | F | F | T |
| F | F | T | T | F | T |
| F | F | F | T | F | T |

From above we can conclude that Proposition $[p \wedge (q \implies r)] \implies (q \implies r)$ is a Tautologies.

2. [10 pts] Michael is a manager for his company, which covers multiple regions of the country.

- (a) In region 1, there are 5 unique office buildings to which he would like to assign 10 indistinguishable senior workers and 40 indistinguishable entry-level workers. How many ways are there to assign workers to office buildings, such that each office has at least 1 senior worker and 4 entry-level workers?
- (b) After some time, region 1 is idle (no jobs) and is looking to steal employees from the 7 other distinguishable regions. Suppose that all 7 other regions are overworked, each having a large number of indistinguishable senior employees. How many ways can region 1 take exactly 23 senior workers from the other regions, such that there are at least 3 regions from which 6 or more senior employees are taken?

Solution.

- (a) This is a Stars and Bars question where we have 5 unique office buildings ($r=5$), and 10 indistinguishable senior workers ($n_1 = 10$), and 40 indistinguishable entry level workers ($n_2 = 40$).

Step 1: We assign at least 1 senior worker to each of the 5 unique office buildings, and there will be $\binom{n_1-r+r-1}{r-1} = \binom{9}{4}$

Step 2: We assign at least 4 senior worker to each of the 5 unique office buildings, and there will be $\binom{n_2-r*4+r-1}{r-1} = \binom{24}{4}$

Step 3: The number of ways to assign at least 1 senior worker and 4 entry level workers would be $\binom{9}{4} * \binom{24}{4}$

- (b) This is a Stars and Bars question where we have 7 unique office buildings ($r=7$), and 23 indistinguishable senior workers ($n = 23$).

Step 1: We assign at least 6 senior workers to any combination of 3 office buildings, and there will be $\binom{n-6*3+r-1}{r-1} = \binom{11}{6}$

Step 2: We calculate how many ways we can pick up 3 office buildings from the 7 office buildings, and there will be $\binom{7}{3}$ ways.

Step 3: If Region 1 is taking 6 or more senior workers from one individual region, Region 1 can at most take 6 or more senior workers from 3 regions since there are totally 23 senior works taken. Since the question is asking Region one to take 6 or more senior workers from at least 3 regions, we can know that Region 1 is taking 6 or more senior workers from exact 3 regions. Therefore the number of ways to assigned at lease 6 senior workers to is $\binom{11}{6} * \binom{7}{3}$

3. [10 pts] Three integers are *consecutive* if they immediately follow each other in enumerating the integers. For example, $-13, -12, -11$; or $5, 6, 7$; or $-2, -1, 0$. Prove that if a, b, c are consecutive integers then $a + b + c$ is divisible by 3 but $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$ is *not* divisible by 3.

Solution.

Step 1 we try to prove if a, b, c are consecutive integers then $a+b+c$ is divisible by 3.

Since a, b, c are consecutive integers, by definition of consecutive we can write a, b, c as $n, n+1, n+2$ where n is an integer.

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

Since n is an integer, $n+1$ would also be an integer. Since $a+b+c$ divided by 3 results in $n+1$, we can conclude $a+b+c$ is divisible by 3.

Step 2 we try to prove if a, b, c are consecutive integers then $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$ is *not* divisible by 3.

Since a, b, c are consecutive integers, by definition of consecutive we can write a, b, c as $n, n+1, n+2$ where n is an integer.

$$\begin{aligned}a^2 + b^2 + c^2 &= n^2 + (n + 1)^2 + (n + 2)^2 \\&= n^2 + n^2 + 2n + 1 + n^2 + 4n + 4 \\&= 3n^2 + 6n + 5 \\&= 3(n^2 + 2n + 1) + 2\end{aligned}$$

Since n is an integer, $(n^2 + 2n + 1)$ would also be an integer. Therefore we can conclude that $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$ divided by 3 would have a remainder of 2, which means $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$ is not divisible by 3.

From above two steps we can conclude that if a, b, c are consecutive integers then $a + b + c$ is divisible by 3 but $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$ is *not* divisible by 3.

4. [10 pts] How many anagrams of **raspberries** are there that have at least two consecutive **r**'s?

Solution.

The word "raspberries" has 11 letters. To make sure there are at least two consecutive **r**'s, we treat the two **r**'s as one letter, then we will have 10 letters. We start with permutations of 10 letters, and that's $10!$ s.

Then we consider:

- (1) Permutation of the 1 **r**, that's $1!$ times.
- (2) Permutation of the 1 **a**, that's $1!$ times.
- (3) Permutation of the 2 **s**'s, that's $2!$ times.
- (4) Permutation of the 1 **p**, that's $1!$ times.
- (5) Permutation of the 1 **b**, that's $1!$ times.
- (6) Permutation of the 2 **e**, that's $2!$ times.
- (7) Permutation of the 1 **rr**, that's $1!$ times.
- (8) Permutation of the 1 **i**, that's $1!$ times.

So the same anagram is counted $1! * 1! * 2! * 1! * 1! * 2! * 1! * 1!$ times.

Therefore the number of anagrams is $\frac{10!}{1! * 1! * 2! * 1! * 1! * 2! * 1! * 1!}$, which is $\frac{10!}{4}$.

5. [10 pts] Consider the following statement.

There exist integers a and c such that for all integers x if $x \geq a$ then $x^2 < c \cdot x$.

Disprove this statement. (Hint: first write the negation of this statement then prove this negation.)

Solution.

The negation of this statement is as below,

For any integers a and c there exists an integer x that $(x \geq a) \wedge (x^2 \geq c \cdot x)$

Step 1 we prove there exists an integer x that for any integer a $x \geq a$.

Case 1: We consider an arbitrary integer a , no matter x and c are positive or negative, there would exist an integer $x = a + k$ where k is any positive integer such as when $k = 1$. Thus we conclude there exists an integer x , $x > a$.

Case 2: We consider an arbitrary integer a , no matter x and c are positive or negative, there would exist an integer $x = a + 0$. Thus we conclude there exists an integer x , $x = a$.

From above we can conclude there exists an integer $x \geq a$.

Step 2 we prove there exists an integer x that for any integer c that $x^2 \geq c \cdot x$.

We consider an arbitrary integer c . From Step 1 we know there would exist an integer that $x \geq c$.

Case 1: Let integer $x = c$, no matter x and c are positive or negative, we multiply both sides of the equation by x to reach to $x^2 = c \cdot x$.

Case 2: Let integer $c \geq 0$. For any integer $x \geq c$, such as $x = c + 1$, we multiply both sides of the equation by x would reach to $x^2 > c \cdot x$. Thus such integer x exists.

Case 3: Let integer $c < 0$. For any integer x that $|x| \geq |c|$, such as $x = -c + 1$, we can still multiply both sides of the equation by x to reach to $x^2 > c \cdot x$. Thus such integer x exists.

From above we can conclude that there exists an integer $x^2 \geq c \cdot x$.

Step 3 we prove there exists an integer x that for any integers a and c $(x \geq a) \wedge (x^2 \geq c \cdot x)$

Case 1: Let $a \leq 0 \leq c$

From Step 1 and Step 2 above, we can find integer x that $x = c + 1$ to allow $(x \geq a) \wedge (x^2 \geq c \cdot x)$

Case 2: Let $a \leq c \leq 0$

From Step 1 and Step 2 above, we can find integer x that $x = -c + 1$ to allow $(x \geq a) \wedge (x^2 \geq c \cdot x)$

Case 3: Let $0 \leq a \leq c$

From Step 1 and Step 2 above, we can find integer x that $x = c + 1$ to allow $(x \geq a) \wedge (x^2 \geq c \cdot x)$

Case 4: Let $0 \leq c \leq a$

From Step 1 and Step 2 above, we can find integer x that $x = a + 1$ to allow $(x \geq a) \wedge (x^2 \geq c \cdot x)$

Case 5: Let $c \leq 0 \leq a$

From Step 1 and Step 2 above, we can find integer x that $x = -c + a + 1$ to allow $(x \geq a) \wedge (x^2 \geq c \cdot x)$ Case 6: Let $c \leq a \leq 0$

From Step 1 and Step 2 above, we can find integer x that $x = -c + 1$ to allow $(x \geq a) \wedge (x^2 \geq c \cdot x)$

The proof of the negation of the original statement is finished, thus the disprove of the original statement is finished.