

Math 109 Homework 2

Problem 1 (Eccles II.13, p.117). Prove that, for sets A , B , C and D ,

- (i) $A \times (B \cup C) = (A \times B) \cup (A \times C)$,
- (ii) $(A \times B) \cap (C \times D) = (A \cap C) \times (B \cap D)$.

Solution. (i) A proof that two sets are equal requires us to prove two set inclusions. In this case we can do them together as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \in A \times (B \cup C) &\iff x \in A \text{ and } y \in (B \cup C) \\
 &\iff x \in A \text{ and } (y \in B \text{ or } y \in C) \\
 &\iff (x, y) \in (A \times B) \text{ or } (x, y) \in (A \times C) \\
 &\iff (x, y) \in (A \times B) \cup (A \times C)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } (x, y) \in A \times (B \cup C) \iff (x, y) \in (A \times B) \cup (A \times C).$$

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(I did it myself)

(ii) A proof that two sets are equal requires us to prove two set inclusions. In this case we can do them together as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x, y) \in (A \times B) \cap (C \times D) &\iff x \in A \text{ and } y \in B \text{ and } x \in C \text{ and } y \in D \\
 &\iff x \in A \text{ and } x \in C \text{ and } y \in B \text{ and } y \in D \\
 &\iff x \in (A \cap C) \text{ and } y \in (B \cap D) \\
 &\iff (A \cap C) \times (B \cap D)
 \end{aligned}$$

Since x is the object of set A and set C , they have precisely the same elements $x \in A \iff x \in B$ or $A \subseteq B$ and $B \subseteq A$. The same logic happens for object y and set C and D . Thus, $(x, y) \in (A \times B) \cap (C \times D) \iff (A \cap C) \times (B \cap D)$

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(I did this myself)

Problem 2 (Eccles II.19, p.118). Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a function. Prove that there exists a function $g : Y \rightarrow X$ such that $f \circ g = I_Y$ if and only if f is a surjection. [g is called a *right inverse* of f .]

Solution. According to *Proposition 9.2.5*, $f \circ g = I_Y$ if and only if $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $g: Y \rightarrow X$ are inverses of each other. Let us show with 3 cases why f can only be a surjection.

case 1:

Suppose f was an injection function, then according to *Definition 9.1.1*, no element of Y is assigned to more than one element of X . That means if function g was a surjective function, not more than one value of X of the pre-image can be assigned to Y . Thus the function f which is injection would be invalid under the "if and only if" condition.

case 2:

Suppose f was a bijection function, then according to *Definition 9.1.1*, every element of Y has to have precisely 1 pre-image, which is both an injection and surjection. Such a function would then elude the "if and only if" condition again because the function would not have worked if g was a surjection function; there might be more than one image of x_0 which would not have been mapped. Thus the function f which is bijection would not produce the composite identity function under the "if and only if" condition.

case 3:

Suppose f was a surjection, the composite identity function would occur because under *Definition 9.1.1*, a surjection function happens if and only if every element of Y has at least one pre-image. Therefore function f could map either multiple y images from x_0 or one y image for every x_0 .

Thus if and only if f is a surjection can there exists a function $g: Y \rightarrow X$ such that $f \circ g = I_Y$.

(I did this myself except for 1st part of i), where I had some advice on the template for answering by Matthew.

Problem 3 (Eccles II.20, p.118). Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a function and $A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{P}(X)$.

- (i) Prove that $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \implies \vec{f}(A_1) \subseteq \vec{f}(A_2)$. Prove that the converse is not universally true. Give a simple condition on f which is equivalent to the converse.

- (ii) Prove that $\vec{f}(A_1 \cap A_2) \subseteq \vec{f}(A_1) \cap \vec{f}(A_2)$. Prove that equality is not universally true.
- (iii) Prove that $\vec{f}(A_1 \cup A_2) = \vec{f}(A_1) \cup \vec{f}(A_2)$.

Solution. (i) Using *definition 6.1.4*, we know that A is a subset of B when every element of A is an element of B .

Suppose x_0 is an element of A_1 such that x_0 is an element of A_2 because A_1 is a subset of A_2 . Then $f(A_1)$ will be a subset of $f(A_2)$ as the image of x_0 for $f(A_1)$ would also be the same image as in $f(A_2)$.

Therefore $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \implies f(A_1) \subseteq f(A_2)$.

The converse is not universally true, Even though $f(A_1) \subseteq \vec{f}(A_2)$. Given that the power set of X has a set of subsets A_1 and A_2 , we suppose A_1 be the singleton set $\{a_1\}$ and A_2 be the singleton set $\{a_2\}$. We also suppose that $f:\{a_2\} \rightarrow \{0, 2\}$ and $f:\{a_1\} \rightarrow \{0\}$, to show that $f:(A_1)$ is a subset of $f:(A_2)$. Upon inspection, we would see that the subsets A_1 and A_2 would be different singleton set elements even though $f:(A_1)$ is a subset of $f:(A_2)$.

Thus, even though $f:(A_1)$ is a subset of $f:(A_2)$, the converse would not be universally true if A_1 and A_2 are singleton sets with different elements. \square

(ii) Suppose that A_1 and A_2 be singleton sets of the Power set of X and function be bijective. Therefore since $A_1 \cap A_2 = \emptyset$, the function will map the value to a value which is different than the two values from $f(A_1) \cap \vec{f}(A_2)$.

Thus under the impression that A_1 and A_2 be singleton sets of the Power set of X and function be bijective, $f(A_1 \cap A_2)$ would not be the subset of $f(A_1) \cap \vec{f}(A_2)$. Therefore the equality is not universally true. \square

(iii) Suppose that A_1 and A_2 be separate sets of the Power set of X . Using *definition 6.2.2* and *definition 8.1.1*, we see that the function f takes elements from either A_1 or A_2 and maps them. It is equivalent to the right-hand side, which represents the values mapped by function on A_1 or A_2 .

Thus both sides represent values mapped from the union of sets and are equivalent to each other. \square

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Problem 4 (Eccles IV.4, p.225). Prove that there is no rational number whose square is 98.

Solution. Suppose for contradict that there's rational number q such that $q^2 = 98$. Write q as a fraction in lowest terms: $q = \frac{a}{b}$ such that a and b are integers such that $(a, b) = 1$. Now $q^2 = 98 \implies \frac{a^2}{b^2} = 98 \implies a^2 = 98b^2 \implies a^2 \text{ divisible by } 98$. *It follows that a must be divisible by 98.*

Thus we can write $a = 98a_1$ for some $a_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$. But then $a^2 = 98b^2 \implies 98^2 a_1^2 = 98b^2 \implies 98a_1^2 = b^2 \implies b^2 \text{ is divisible by } 98 \implies b \text{ is divisible by } 98$, as above.

Hence 98 is a common factor of a and b so that $(a, b) \neq 1$, *contradicting the choice of a and b and giving the required contradiction.*

Hence there does not exist a rational number whose square is 98. \square

Solve the linear diophantine equation

$$336m + 238n = 5558. \quad (4.1)$$

Prove that there is a unique pair of *positive* integers m and n satisfying this equation and find this solution.

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned} 336 &= 238 \times 1 + 98 \\ 238 &= 98 \times 2 + 42(-1) \\ 98 &= 42 \times 2 + 14(-2) \\ 42 &= 14 \times 3 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

$(336, 238) = 14$, since 14 divides 5558, the equation has a solution.

$$\begin{aligned} 336 &= 336 \times 1 + 238 \times 0 \\ 238 &= 336 \times 0 + 238 \times 1(-1) \\ 98 &= 336 \times 1 + 238 \times (-1) \\ 42 &= 336 \times \frac{37}{24} + 238 \times (-2) \end{aligned}$$

This gives $336 \times \frac{37}{24} + 238 \times (-2) = 42$

multiply the equation above by $\frac{397}{3}$

$336 \times \frac{14689}{72} + 238 \times \frac{-794}{3} = 5558$, hence $m = \frac{14689}{72}$, $n = \frac{-794}{3}$ are the unique pair of positive integers.

$$\begin{aligned} 336m + 238n &= 5558 \iff 336\left(m - \frac{14689}{72}\right) + 238\left(n + \frac{794}{3}\right) = 0 \\ &\iff \left(m - \frac{14689}{72}, n + \frac{794}{3}\right) = (24q, 17q) \\ &\iff (m, n) = \left(\frac{14689}{72} + 24q, \frac{-794}{3} + 17q\right) \text{ for some } q \in \mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$

(I did this myself.)

Problem 5 (Supplementary Problem 4). Let a , b and c be integers such that a and b are coprime and c divides $a + b$. Prove that $\gcd(a, c) = \gcd(b, c) = 1$.

Solution.