

CSC236 Worksheet 3 Review

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Question 2

- Rough Work:

Define $P(e) : S_1(e) = 3(s_2(e) - 1)$

I will use structural induction to prove $\forall e \in \varepsilon, P(e)$.

1. Basis

Let $\{x, y, z\} \in \varepsilon$.

In this step, there are following cases to consider: $e = x$, $e = y$, and $e = z$.

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In each of the cases, we have $s_1(e) = 0$ and $s_2(e) = 1$.

Thus,

$$s_1(e) = 0 = 3(0) \tag{1}$$

$$= 3(1 - 1) \tag{2}$$

$$= 3(s_2(e) - 1) \tag{3}$$

So, $P(e)$ holds.

2. Inductive Step

Let $e_1, e_2 \in \varepsilon$. Assume $H(e) : P(e_1)$ and $P(e_2)$. That is, $s_1(e_1) = 3(s_2(e_1) - 1)$ and $s_2(e_2) = 3(s_2(e_2) - 1)$.

I need to prove all possible combinations of e_1 and e_2 satisfy the statement. That is $P((e_1 + e_2))$ and $P((e_1 - e_2))$.

In each of the combination, the total number of variables of e is the sum of the number of variables in e_1 and e_2 , and the total number of parenthesis and operators in e is the sum of operators and parenthesis in e_1 and e_2 plus 3.

Then, using these facts, we have

$$s_2(e) = s_2(e_1) + s_2(e_2) \tag{4}$$

$$s_1(e) = s_1(e_1) + s_1(e_2) + 3 \tag{5}$$