

Problem Sheet #3

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Problem 3.1: *Distributive laws for sets*

Let A , B and C be sets. Proof that the following two distributive laws hold:

$$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

and,

$$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$$

Solution,

Let P and Q be any two sets:

Now,

$$P \cup Q := \{x : x \in P \text{ or } x \in Q\}$$

And,

$$P \cap Q := \{x : x \in P \text{ and } x \in Q\}$$

Let T be the event when an element x is present in the set.

and

F be the event when an element x is NOT present in the set.

Recalling the definition of $P \cap Q$ and $P \cup Q$, we can construct a table in order to prove the relation:

$$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

A	B	C	$A \cup B$	$A \cup C$	$(\mathbf{A} \cup \mathbf{B}) \cap (\mathbf{A} \cup \mathbf{C})$	$B \cap C$	$\mathbf{A} \cup (\mathbf{B} \cap \mathbf{C})$
T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	T	T	F	T
T	F	T	T	T	T	F	T
T	F	F	T	T	T	F	T
F	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	F	F	F
F	F	T	F	T	F	F	F
F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

Here in this table we have generated a full list of possible events when x is present and not present in both set A and B and we have found that the events in $(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$ and $A \cup (B \cap C)$ are equivalent. This says that the distributive laws hold for the following:

$$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$$

Using the same method we can construct another table for the following:

$$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$$

A	B	C	$A \cap B$	$A \cap C$	$(\mathbf{A} \cap \mathbf{B}) \cup (\mathbf{A} \cap \mathbf{C})$	$B \cup C$	$\mathbf{A} \cap (\mathbf{B} \cup \mathbf{C})$
T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
F	T	T	F	F	F	T	F
F	T	F	F	F	F	T	F
F	F	T	F	F	F	T	F
F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F

In this table we have generated a full list of possible events when x is present and not present in both set A and B and we have found that the events in $(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$ and $A \cap (B \cup C)$ are equivalent. This, also, says that the distributive laws hold for the following:

$$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$$

Problem 3.2: *reflexive, symmetric and transitive*

For each of the following relations, determine whether they are reflexive, symmetric, or transitive. Provide a reasoning.

a) $R = \{(a, b) | a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge a \neq b\}$

$a \neq a$ is not true hence it is not reflexive.

If $a \neq b$ is true then $b \neq a$ is also true. Hence it is symmetric.

If $a \neq b$ is true and assume $b \neq c$ is true, then $a \neq c$ may or may not be true. So it is not transitive.

b) $R = \{(a, b) | a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge |a - b| \leq 3\}$

$|a - a| \leq 3$ and $|b - b| \leq 3$ is true, hence it is reflexive.

If $|a - b| \leq 3$ is true, then $|b - a| \leq 3$ is also true. So it is also symmetric.

If $|a - b| \leq 3$ and let's assume that $|b - c| \leq 3$, then $|a - c| \leq 3$ may be greater than or less than 3 or sometimes equals to 3. Hence it is not transitive.

c) $R = \{(a, b) | a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge (a \bmod 10) = (b \bmod 10)\}$

$(a \bmod 10) = (a \bmod 10)$ is always true and $(b \bmod 10) = (b \bmod 10)$ is also always true. Therefore, it is reflexive.

If $(a \bmod 10) = (b \bmod 10)$ is True, then $(b \bmod 10) = (a \bmod 10)$ is also True. Hence, it is also symmetric.

It is also transitive because if $(a \bmod 10) = (b \bmod 10)$ and $(b \bmod 10) = (c \bmod 10)$ then, the relation $(a \bmod 10) = (c \bmod 10)$ is also true.

Problem 3.3: *Circular prime numbers (haskell)*

Source code is also included in the zip file.

a) Implement a function **prime :: Integer -> Bool** that returns a Bool value indicating whether the Integer argument is a prime number or not.

```
prime :: Integer -> Bool
prime n = length [x | x <- [1..n], n `mod` x == 0] == 2
```

This function takes a number n and finds its remainder by dividing it from 1 to n . For example $n = 92$, It would look like:

```
91 `mod` 1  = 0
91 `mod` 2  = 1
91 `mod` 3  = 1
91 `mod` 4  = 3
.   .   .   .
.   .   .   .
.   .   .   .
91 `mod` 91 = 0
```

This would generate all the possible factors of n . Then it would filter the list of numbers which has only 2 factors (which is why I used the length function). The number which has only 2 factors (1 and number itself) is called the prime number.

We can test the validity of our function by:

```
> prime 2
True
> filter prime [2..100]
[2,3,5,7,11,13,17,19,23,29,31,37,41,43,47,53,59,61,67,71,73,79,83,89,97]
```

b) Using the prime function, implement a function **circprime :: Integer -> Bool** that returns a **Bool** value indicating whether the Integer value is a circular prime number or not.

```
circprime :: Integer -> Bool
circprime n =
    length [z | z <- [prime y |
                        y <- [read x :: Integer |
                              x <- circle (show n)]]],
            z == True]
    == length (circle (show n))
```

First of all the function **circprime** accepts a number ***n*** and then converts it to string using **show** function. After it is converted it is then passed to **circle** function which I had written from the previous assignment. The circle function provides me with all the cyclic orders of the string. After all the orders of the string are returned in an array, I convert each combination string in the array to numbers and pass it to function **prime** which I had written earlier. It returns a list of True and False which denotes that combination of number is a prime number or not. If the list contains True values that is equal to the length of (**circle (show *n*)**), that prime number is circular.