

CS 225: Demo Quiz 2

Question 3:

Let the following predicates be given. The domain is all living beings.

$B(x)$ = “x is one of my poultry”

$S(x)$ = “x is a duck”

$A(x)$ = “x is willing to waltz”

$M(x)$ = “x is an officer”

Express each of the following English sentences in terms of $B(x)$, $S(x)$, $A(x)$, $M(x)$ quantifiers, and logical connectives.

- i. No ducks are willing to waltz.
- ii. All my poultry are ducks.
- iii. No officers ever declined to waltz.
- iv. Some Poultry are ducks but not officers.

- 1. $\forall x (S(x) \rightarrow \neg A(x))$
- ii. $\forall x (B(x) \rightarrow S(x))$
- iii. $\forall x (M(x) \rightarrow A(x))$
- iv. $\exists x (B(x) \wedge S(x) \wedge \neg M(x))$

Question 4:

Show that $\neg \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$ and $\exists x (P(x) \wedge \neg Q(x))$ are logically equivalent.

Answer:

By De Morgan's law for universal quantifiers, we know that $\neg \forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$ and $\exists x (\neg (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)))$ are logically equivalent. By the fifth logical equivalence in Table 7 in Section 1.3, we know that $\neg (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$ and $P(x) \wedge \neg Q(x)$ are logically equivalent for every x . Because we

can substitute one logically equivalent expression for another in a logical equivalence, it follows that $\neg\forall x(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$ and $\exists x(P(x) \wedge \neg Q(x))$ are logically equivalent.

Question 5:

Write the negation for each of the following statements.

- a. If a computer program has more than 100,000 lines, then it contains a bug.
- b. Some estimates are accurate.
- c. The number 1,357 is divisible by some integer between 1 and 37.

Answer:

a. $\sim(\text{If a computer program has more than 100,000 lines, then it contains a bug}) \equiv \text{There is at least one computer program that has more than 100,000 lines and does not contain a bug.}$

2. $\sim(\text{Some estimates are accurate}) \equiv \text{All estimates are not accurate.}$

3. $\sim(\text{The number 1,357 is divisible by some integer between 1 and 37}) \equiv$
 $\sim(\text{There is an integer } n \text{ between 1 and 37 such that the number 1,357 is divisible by } n) \equiv$
For all integers n between 1 and 37, the number 13,57 is not divisible by n .

Question 6

Using direct method, prove that If m is an even integer and n is an odd integer then mn is an even integer.

Answer:

Suppose that m and n are arbitrary odd integers. Then $m = 2a$ and $n = 2b + 1$; where a and b are integers. Then

$$mn = (2a)(2b + 1) \text{ (substitution)}$$

$$= 4ab + 2a \text{ (associative, commutative, and distributive laws)}$$

$$= 2(2ab + a) \text{ (distributive law)}$$

Since mn is twice an integer (namely, $2ab + a$), mn is even. (Proved)

Question 7 :

Use direct proof method to show that $n^2 + n + 1$ is odd for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Hint : Use cases.

Answer:

Case 1: Suppose n is odd. According to the definition of odd number, $n = 2k + 1$, for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then,
 $n^2 + n + 1 = (2k+1)^2 + (2k+1) + 1 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1 + 2k + 1 + 1 = 4k^2 + 6k + 3 = 2(2k^2 + 3k + 1) + 1$.

Take, $k' = 2k^2 + 3k + 1$ and as $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, $k' \in \mathbb{Z}$ (no need to show additional proof here), then $n^2 + n + 1 = 2k' + 1$, which is an odd number.

Case 2: Suppose n is even. According to the definition of even number, $n = 2k$, for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then,
 $n^2 + n + 1 = (2k)^2 + (2k) + 1 = 4k^2 + 2k + 1 = 2(2k^2 + k) + 1$.

Take, $k' = 2k^2 + k$ and as $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, $k' \in \mathbb{Z}$, so, $n^2 + n + 1 = 2k' + 1$, which is an odd number.

The above cases show that no matter whether n is an odd or even number, $n^2 + n + 1$ is odd for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. (Proved)

Question8:

Use a proof by contraposition to show that if $n^3 + 5$ is even then n is odd for natural numbers.

Answer: Let p be the proposition that $n^3 + 5$ is even and q is the proposition that n is an odd natural number. The contrapositive of the implication is “if n is even then $n^3 + 5$ is odd”. By the definition of even integer, $n = 2k$ for some k . Substituting the value of n , we find that $(2k)^3 + 5 = 8k^3 + 5 = 2(4k^3 + 2) + 1 = 2k' + 1$ where k' is a natural number, is an odd number. This satisfies the contrapositive proposition we wished to solve, and thus solves the original proposition that if $n^3 + 5$ is even then n is odd for natural numbers. This concludes our proof.