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Quiz 1

1.) a) List the set described by the following:

$$\{x^2 \mid x \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } x=2 \text{ or } x=9\}$$

$$\{4, 81\} \quad 2^2 = 4 \quad 9^2 = 81$$

b.) Write a formal description of a set of all natural numbers between 5 & 25, inclusive.

$$A = \{5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25\}$$

2.) a.) Provide an example of 2 sets for which their Cartesian products is not commutative.

$$\boxed{A = \{x, y\}, B = \{2, 4\}}$$

$$A \times B = \{(x, 2), (x, 4), (y, 2), (y, 4)\}$$

$$B \times A = \{(2, x), (2, y), (4, x), (4, y)\}$$

$$A \times B \neq B \times A$$

b.) List the power set of $\{2, 3, 5\}$; that is $P(\{2, 3, 5\})$

$$P(\{2, 3, 5\}) = \{\emptyset, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{5\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 5\}, \{2, 3, 5\}, \{3, 5\}\}$$

3.) True or False

a.) The number of strings that can be formed from Σ is finite.

(True)

b.) A string that can be formed from Σ must be of finite length

(True)

c.) $(ba)^3 = bbbaaa$

(False)

d.) abc is a substring of $aabcabc$

(True)

e.) $\{a, bac, cbd\}$ is a subset of the language Σ^*

(False)

4.) Is the following binary relation R on \mathbb{Z} an equivalence relation?
 $x R y \iff x - y$ is divisible by 5

It's symmetric: $5 R 10 \iff 5 - 10 = -5/5$

$$10 R 5 \iff 10 - 5 = 5/5$$

It's transitive: $5 R 10 \iff 5 - 10 = -5/5$

$$y R z \quad 10 R 15 \iff 10 - 15 = -5/5$$

$$x R y \quad 5 R 15 \iff 5 - 15 = -10/5$$

0 is divisible by 5

This would be reflexive as well; $x R x \iff x - x = 0/5 = 0$

If x and y is the same value, $x = y$, then all properties are fulfilled making it equivalence.

5.) Prove or disprove the following statement: $\sqrt{3} \in \mathbb{Q}$

$$(\sqrt{3})^2 = \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2$$

$$3 = \frac{x^2}{y^2} \rightarrow 3y^2 = x^2$$

$\leftarrow x$ must be divisible by 3.
 $y^2 = \frac{x^2}{3}$

$$3y^2 = (3x)^2$$

$$3y^2 = 9x^2$$

$$y^2 = 3x^2$$

$\leftarrow y$ must be divisible by 3

$$\frac{y^2}{3} = x^2$$

Since both x & y must be divisible by 3.

This is a contradiction, so $\sqrt{3} \notin \mathbb{Q}$. $\sqrt{3}$ is irrational!