

MA 2509 Discrete Mathematics

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This exam contains 5 pages (including this cover page) and 4 questions. Total number of points is 24.

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Justify all your steps.

Q1(c) cont. Suppose E , then $\neg I \wedge \neg M$ (by 5)

then $\neg I$, then A (by 2)

then $\neg M$, then W (by 3)

then $A \wedge W$, then P (by 1)

This contradicts 4

As a result, the argument is valid.

1. (a) (2 points) Determine whether $[(p \vee q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow (q \vee r)$ is a tautology.
- (b) (2 points) Determine whether $\forall x(P(x) \vee Q(x))$ is logically equivalent to $(\forall x P(x)) \vee (\forall x Q(x))$.
- (c) (2 points) Determine whether this argument is valid.

If Superman were able and willing to prevent evil, he would do so. If Superman were unable to prevent evil, he would be impotent; if he were unwilling to prevent evil, he would be malevolent. Superman does not prevent evil. If Superman exists, he is neither impotent nor malevolent. Therefore, Superman does not exist.

$$(a) [(p \vee q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow (q \vee r)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee r)] \rightarrow (q \vee r)$$

Suppose $[(p \vee q) \wedge (\neg p \vee r)]$ is true.

• If p is true, then $\neg p$ is false

Since $\neg p \vee r$ is true, r is true $\Rightarrow q \vee r$ is true.

• If p is false, then q is true, then $q \vee r$ is true.

Hence it is a tautology.

(b) U : real numbers, $P(x): x > 0$, $Q(x): x \leq 0$

$\forall x(P(x) \vee Q(x))$ is true

$(\forall x P(x)) \vee (\forall x Q(x))$ is false

(c) A : able, W : willing, P : prevents evil

I : Impotent, M : malevolent, E : exists

1. $A \wedge W \rightarrow P$
2. $\neg A \rightarrow I$
3. $\neg W \rightarrow M$
4. $\neg P$
5. $E \rightarrow \neg I \wedge \neg M \rightarrow \neg E$

2. (a) (3 points) Show that $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$ is not a rational number, i.e. $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} \neq \frac{m}{n}$ where m, n are integers and n is nonzero.
- (b) (3 points) Prove that if $x > 0$ is any fixed real number, then $(1+x)^n > 1+nx$ for all $n \geq 2$.

(a) Suppose $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$ is rational, then

$$\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} = \frac{m}{n}, \quad (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})^2 = \frac{m^2}{n^2}$$

$$5 + 2\sqrt{6} = \frac{m^2}{n^2} \quad \sqrt{6} = \frac{m^2 - 5n^2}{2n^2}$$

then $\sqrt{6}$ is rational. denote $\sqrt{6} = \frac{p}{q}$, $\gcd(p, q) = 1$

$$\text{Then } 6 = \frac{p^2}{q^2} \Rightarrow 6q^2 = p^2 \Rightarrow 2 \text{ divides } p$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \text{ divides } p^2 \Rightarrow 4 \text{ divides } 6q^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \text{ divides } q^2 \Rightarrow 2 \text{ divides } q$$

Contradiction. Thus $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$ is irrational.

$$\text{b) For } n=2 \quad (1+x)^2 = 1+2x+x^2 > 1+2x.$$

$$\text{Suppose } (1+x)^n > 1+nx$$

$$\text{Then } (1+x)^{n+1} = (1+x)^n (1+x) > (1+nx)(1+x)$$

$$= 1 + (n+1)x + nx^2 > 1 + (n+1)x.$$

3. Let \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{S} be relations on the set of integers, such that $(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}$ if and only if $x^3 + y^3$ is divisible by 5, and $(x, y) \in \mathbf{S}$ if and only if $x^3 - y^3$ is divisible by 5.
- (a) (2 points) Is \mathbf{R} an equivalent relation?
- (b) (2 points) Is \mathbf{S} an equivalent relation?
- (c) (2 points) If either \mathbf{R} or \mathbf{S} is a equivalent relation, find its equivalent classes that form a partition of the integers.

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad 2^3 + 3^3 &= 8 + 27 = 35 & (2, 3) \in R, \\ 8^3 + 2^3 &= 512 + 8 = 520 & (8, 2) \in R, \\ 8^3 + 3^3 &= 512 + 27 = 539 & (8, 3) \notin R \\ \text{Not transitive} &\Rightarrow \text{Not equivalent} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Yes, reflexive ...
symmetric ...
transitive ...

$$\begin{aligned} (c) \quad &\{5n, n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \\ &\{5n+1, n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \\ &\{5n+2, n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \\ &\{5n+3, n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \\ &\{5n+4, n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \end{aligned}$$

4. (a) (2 points) Let \mathbb{R} denote the set of real numbers. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$f(x) = e^{|x|} - 1. \quad (1)$$

Is f bijective?

- (b) (2 points) Let $\mathbb{R}_+ := \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0\}$. Define $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ as in (1). Is f bijective?

- (c) (2 points) Find a function $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, which is surjective but not injective.

(a) $f(-1) = f(1)$ not injective \Rightarrow not bijective

(b) yes. $f(x) = f(y) \Rightarrow e^{|x|} - 1 = e^{|y|} - 1$

$$\Rightarrow e^x - 1 = e^y - 1 \Rightarrow x = y \Rightarrow \text{injective}$$

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 $y, x > 0$

$f(0) = 0$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$ f is increasing

$\Rightarrow f$ surjective.

$\therefore f$ bijective

(c) $f(x) = \begin{cases} x+1 & x \leq 0 \\ x-1 & x > 0 \end{cases}$

