

# MATH 109: Homework 2

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**Problem 2.2**

- (a) True.
- (b) False, 33 is not a Fibonacci number.
- (c) False,  $22 \in A \implies 22 \in A \cup D$ .
- (d) True.
- (e) False,  $\phi \notin B$  and  $\phi \notin D$ .
- (f) False, 53 is prime and  $53 \neq 2$ .

**Problem 2.13**

- (a) The real number  $r$  is greater than  $\sqrt{2}$ .
- (b) The absolute value of the real number  $a$  is greater than or equal to 3.
- (c) At least two angles of the triangle are not  $45^\circ$ .
- (d) The area of the circle is less than  $9\pi$ .
- (e) All sides of the triangle have different length.
- (f) The point  $P$  in the plane is on or inside of the circle  $C$ .

**Problem 2.20**

$P$	$Q$	$P \implies Q$	$\sim P$	$(P \implies Q) \implies (\sim P)$
T	T	T	F	F
T	F	F	F	T
F	T	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	

**Problem 2.22**

- (a) If  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational and  $\frac{2}{3}$  is rational, then  $\sqrt{3}$  is rational.  
Since  $(P \wedge Q)$  is false and  $R$  is false,  $(P \wedge Q) \implies R$  is **true**.
- (b) If  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational and  $\frac{2}{3}$  is rational, then  $\sqrt{3}$  is not rational.  
Since  $(P \wedge Q)$  is false and  $\sim R$  is true,  $(P \wedge Q) \implies \sim R$  is **true**.
- (c) If  $\sqrt{2}$  is not rational and  $\frac{2}{3}$  is rational, then  $\sqrt{3}$  is rational.  
Since  $((\sim P) \wedge Q)$  is true and  $R$  is false,  $((\sim P) \wedge Q) \implies R$  is **false**.
- (d) If  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational or  $\frac{2}{3}$  is rational, then  $\sqrt{3}$  is not rational.  
Since  $(P \vee Q)$  is true and  $\sim R$  is true,  $(P \vee Q) \implies \sim R$  is **true**.

**Problem 2.24**

- (a) False
- (b) True
- (c) False
- (d) True
- (e) False
- (f) True

**Problem 2.32**

- (a) Let us consider the truth value of  $P(x)$ .

$P(x)$  is only true for  $x = 7$ . However,  $Q(7) : 7 \geq 8$  is false. Therefore,  $P(7) \implies Q(7)$  is **false**.

For all other  $x \neq 7$ ,  $P(x)$  is false. Therefore,  $P(x) \implies Q(x) \quad \forall x \in S - \{7\}$  is **true**.

Therefore,  $P(x) \implies Q(x)$  is **true**  $\forall x \in S - \{7\}$ .

- (b) Let us consider the truth value of  $P(x)$ .

For  $P(x)$  to be true,  $x^2 \geq 1 \implies x \geq 1$  or  $x \leq -1$ .

For the case  $x \geq 1$ ,  $P(x)$  is true and  $Q(x) : x \geq 1$  is also true. Therefore, for  $x \in [1, \infty)$ ,  $P(x) \implies Q(x)$  is **true**.

Alternately,  $x \leq -1$ , in which case,  $Q(x) : x \geq 1$  is false. Therefore, for  $x \in (-\infty, -1]$ ,  $P(x) \implies Q(x)$  is **false**.

For  $x \in (-1, 1)$ ,  $P(x)$  is false. Therefore,  $P(x) \implies Q(x)$  is **true**.

Therefore,  $P(x) \implies Q(x)$  is **true**  $\forall x \in (-1, \infty)$ .

- (c) Note that  $P(x)$  and  $Q(x)$  are the same as (b), only  $S = \mathbb{N}$  is different. Therefore, we only need to consider the case where  $x \in \mathbb{N}$ .

As before, for  $x \geq 1$ ,  $P(x)$  is true and  $Q(x) : x \geq 1$  is also true. Therefore, for  $x \in [1, \infty)$ ,  $P(x) \implies Q(x)$  is **true**.

Therefore,  $P(x) \implies Q(x)$  is **true**  $\forall x \in S$ .

- (d) Consider the truth value of  $P(x)$ . Since  $S = [-1, 1] \subseteq [-1, 2]$ ,  $P(x) : x \in [-1, 2]$  is true  $\forall x \in S$ .

Now, consider the truth value of  $Q(x)$ .  $Q(x) : x^2 \leq 2$  is true when  $x \leq \sqrt{2}$  or  $x \geq -\sqrt{2}$ . Since  $S \subseteq [-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}]$ ,  $Q(x) : x^2 \leq 2$  is also true  $\forall x \in S$ .

Therefore,  $P(x) \implies Q(x)$  is **true**  $\forall x \in S$ .

**Problem 2.42**

Let  $P(n) : \text{The integer } \frac{n \cdot (n-1)}{2} \text{ is odd.}$

Let  $Q(n) : \frac{n \cdot (n+1)}{2} \text{ is even.}$

$P(n) \iff Q(n)$  when either both are **true** or both are **false**.

For  $n = 2$ ,  $P(2) : \frac{2 \cdot (1)}{2} = 1$  is odd, which is true and  $Q(2) : \frac{2 \cdot (3)}{2} = 3$  is even, which is false. Therefore,  $P(2) \iff Q(2)$  is **false**.

For  $n = 3$ ,  $P(3) : \frac{3 \cdot (2)}{2} = 3$  is odd, which is true and  $Q(3) : \frac{3 \cdot (4)}{2} = 6$  is even, which is true. Therefore,  $P(3) \iff Q(3)$  is **true**.

For  $n = 4$ ,  $P(4) : \frac{4 \cdot (3)}{2} = 6$  is odd, which is false and  $Q(4) : \frac{4 \cdot (5)}{2} = 10$  is even, which is true. Therefore,  $P(4) \iff Q(4)$  is **false**.

## Problem 2.56

$P$	$Q$	$\sim P$	$\sim Q$	$P \wedge (\sim P)$	$(\sim Q) \implies (P \wedge (\sim P))$
T	T	F	F	F	T
T	F	F	T	F	F
F	T	T	F	F	T
F	F	T	T	F	F

Since the truth values of  $Q$  and  $(\sim Q) \implies (P \wedge (\sim P))$  are equal for all possible truth values of  $P$  and  $Q$ ,  $Q$  and  $(\sim Q) \implies (P \wedge (\sim P))$  are logically equivalent.

## Problem 2.62

- (a)  $x$  and  $y$  are even only if  $xy$  is even.
- (b) If  $xy$  is even, then  $x$  and  $y$  are even.
- (c) Either  $x$  and  $y$  are not even, or  $xy$  is even.
- (d)  $x$  and  $y$  are even and  $xy$  is not even.