

# Solution to Tutorial #2

## COMP1210

### Question 1

Given that  $1+2+3+4+\dots+n$   
 $= \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have:

$$\text{Let } p(n) = 1+2+3+4+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \quad \forall n \geq 1.$$

Now, for the base case we let  $n=1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } 1+2+3+4+\dots+n &= \sum_{j=1}^n j \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, left hand side: when  $n=1$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n j = \sum_{j=1}^1 j = 1 \quad \text{and the}$$

right hand side: when  $n=1$

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{1(1+1)}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

Since L.H.S = R.H.S. = 1

then true for  $n=1$ . So,  $p(1)$  is true.

When  $n=k$ , we assume that

$$p(k) = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + k = \sum_{j=1}^k j \\ = \frac{k(k+1)}{2} \text{ is true for } k \geq 1$$

When  $n=k+1$ , we want to show that  $n=k$  being true implies that  $n=k+1$  is also true; that is,  $p(k) \Rightarrow p(k+1)$  is true.

So, when  $n=k+1$ , we have

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + k + k+1 =$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{k+1} j = \sum_{j=1}^k j + k+1$$

$$= \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + k+1 =$$

$$\frac{k(k+1) + 2(k+1)}{2} = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$$

So, true for  $n=k+1$ ; that is  $p(k+1)$  is true.

Hence, true for all  $n \geq 1$  or  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

## Question 2

(2)

Given that  $1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 4 + \dots + n(n+1) = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3}$ .

$\forall n \geq 1$ , we have:

$$\text{Let } p(n) = 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 4 + \dots + n(n+1) \\ = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

So,

$$1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 4 + \dots + n(n+1) = \sum_{j=1}^n j(j+1) \\ = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3} \quad \forall n \geq 1.$$

When  $n=1$ , left hand side:

$$\sum_{j=1}^1 j(j+1) = 1(1+1) = 1 \cdot 2 \quad \text{and}$$

right hand side:  $\frac{1(1+1)(1+2)}{3} =$

$$\frac{1(2)(3)}{3} = 1 \cdot 2.$$

Since L.H.S =  $1 \cdot 2$  = R.H.S, then true for  $p(1)$ .

When  $n=k$ , we assume that

$$1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 4 + \dots + k(k+1) =$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^k j(j+1) = \frac{k(k+1)(k+2)}{3} \quad \text{is}$$

true for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

When  $n = k+1$ , we want to show that  $n = k$  being true implies that  $n = k+1$  is also true.

Now, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} & 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 4 + \dots + k(k+1) + (k+1)(k+2) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} j(j+1) = \sum_{j=1}^k j(j+1) + (k+1)(k+2) \\ &= \frac{k(k+1)(k+2)}{3} + (k+1)(k+2) \\ &= \frac{k(k+1)(k+2) + 3(k+1)(k+2)}{3} = \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)}{3} \end{aligned}$$

So, true for  $p(k+1)$ . Hence,  
true for all  $n \geq 1$ .

### Question 3

(3)

Given that  $1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2n-1) = n^2$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , we have:

Let  $p(n) = 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2n-1) = n^2$   
 $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

Now, we have that

$$1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2n-1) = \sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1) = n^2$$

$$\forall n \geq 1.$$

When  $n=1$ , left hand side:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1) = \sum_{i=1}^1 2i-1 = 2(1)-1 = 1$$

For the right hand side:

$$n^2 = 1^2 = 1$$

Since L.H.S. = 1 = R.H.S. then true for  $p(1)$ .

When  $n=k$  we assume that

$$1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2k-1) = \sum_{i=1}^k (2i-1) = k^2$$

is true for  $k \geq 1$ .

When  $n=k+1$  we want to show that  $p(k)$  being true implies that  $p(k+1)$  is also true.

That is,

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2k-1) + (2k+1) &= \\ \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (2i-1) &= \sum_{i=1}^k (2i-1) + (2k+1) = \\ &= k^2 + 2k + 1 = (k+1)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore true for  $p(k+1)$ .

Hence, true for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

### Question 4

Given  $2^n \geq n^2$  for  $n = 4, 5, \dots$ ,

We let  $p(n) = 2^n \geq n^2$  for all  $n \geq 4$ .

Now, when  $n=4$ , we have that

$$2^4 \geq 4^2 \Rightarrow 16 = 16.$$

So, since  $2^4 = 16$  and  $4^2 = 16$

then true for  $n=4$ .

When  $n=k$ , we assume that

$$2^k \geq k^2 \quad \forall k \geq 4.$$

When  $n=k+1$  we want to show that  $p(k)$  being true implies that  $p(k+1)$  is also true.

That is,  $2^{k+1} = 2 \cdot 2^k \geq 2 \cdot k^2$  (4)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } 2 \cdot 2^k &\geq 2k^2 \\ &= k^2 + k^2 + 2k - 2k + 1 - 1 \\ &= (k^2 + 2k + 1) + k^2 - 2k - 1 \\ &= (k+1)^2 + k^2 - 2k - 1 \\ &\geq (k+1)^2, \end{aligned}$$

Since  $k^2 > -2k - 1 = -(2k+1)$ ,  
 $k \geq 4$ .

Therefore, true for  $n = k+1$ ;

Hence, true for all  $n \geq 4$ .

OR We could use  $2k^2 \geq (k+1)^2 + (k-1) - 2$   
So,  $2^{k+1} = 2 \cdot 2^k \geq 2 \cdot k^2 \geq (k+1)^2$

### Question 5

Given that  $2n+1 \leq 2^n$ , where  
 $n = 3, 4, \dots$

We let  $p(n) = 2n+1 \leq 2^n$  or we  
 can say let  $p(n) : 2n+1 \leq 2^n$   
 $\forall n \geq 3$ .

When  $n = 3$ , we have

Left hand side:  $2(3)+1 =$   
 $6+1 = 7$

and right hand side:  $2^3 = 8$

So,  $2(3)+1 \leq 2^3 \Rightarrow 7 \leq 8$

So, true for  $p(3)$ .

When  $n = k$ , we assume that

$$2k+1 \leq 2^k \text{ for } k=3, 4, \dots$$

When  $n = k+1$  we want to show that  $p(k)$  being true implies that  $p(k+1)$  is also true.

So, we have

$$2(k+1)+1 = 2k+1+2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } (2k+1)+2 &\leq 2^k + 2^k - 2^k + 2 \\ &= 2^k \cdot 2 - 2^k + 2 \\ &= 2^{k+1} - (2^k - 2) \\ &\leq 2^{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\text{So, } 2(k+1)+1 \leq 2^{k+1}}$$

Therefore, true for  $n = k+1$   
and hence true for all  $n \geq 3$ .



## Question 6

(5)

Given  $5^{2^n} - 1$  is a multiple of 8,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we let  
 $p(n) = 5^{2^n} - 1$  is a multiple of 8  
 $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

For the base case we let  
 $n=1$ , so, we have  $= 8(3)$   
 $5^{2(1)} - 1 = 5^2 - 1 = 25 - 1 = 24$ ,  
which is divisible by 8; so it  
is a multiple of 8. Therefore, true  
for  $n=1$ .

When  $n=k$ , we assume that  
 $5^{2k} - 1 = 8q$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ , is divisible  
by 8.

When  $n=k+1$ , we want to show  
that  $p(k) \Rightarrow p(k+1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{That is, } 5^{2(k+1)} - 1 &= 5^{2k+2} - 1 \\ &= 5^2 \cdot 5^{2k} - 1 = 25 \cdot 5^{2k} - 1 \\ &= 25(5^{2k} - 1) + 24 \\ &= 25(8q) + 24 = 8(25q) + 8(3)\end{aligned}$$

$= 8(259 + 3)$  which is divisible by 8, since it is a multiple of 8.

### Question 7

Given

$$E = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20\}, \quad A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7\}$$

$$\text{and } B = \{2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 12, 15\}$$

$$(i) \quad n(A) = 6 \quad (ii) \quad A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 12, 15\}$$

$$\text{So, } n(A \cup B) = 10$$

$$(iii) \quad A \cap B = \{2, 3, 7\}$$

$$\text{Now, } (A \cap B)^c = \{1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20\}$$

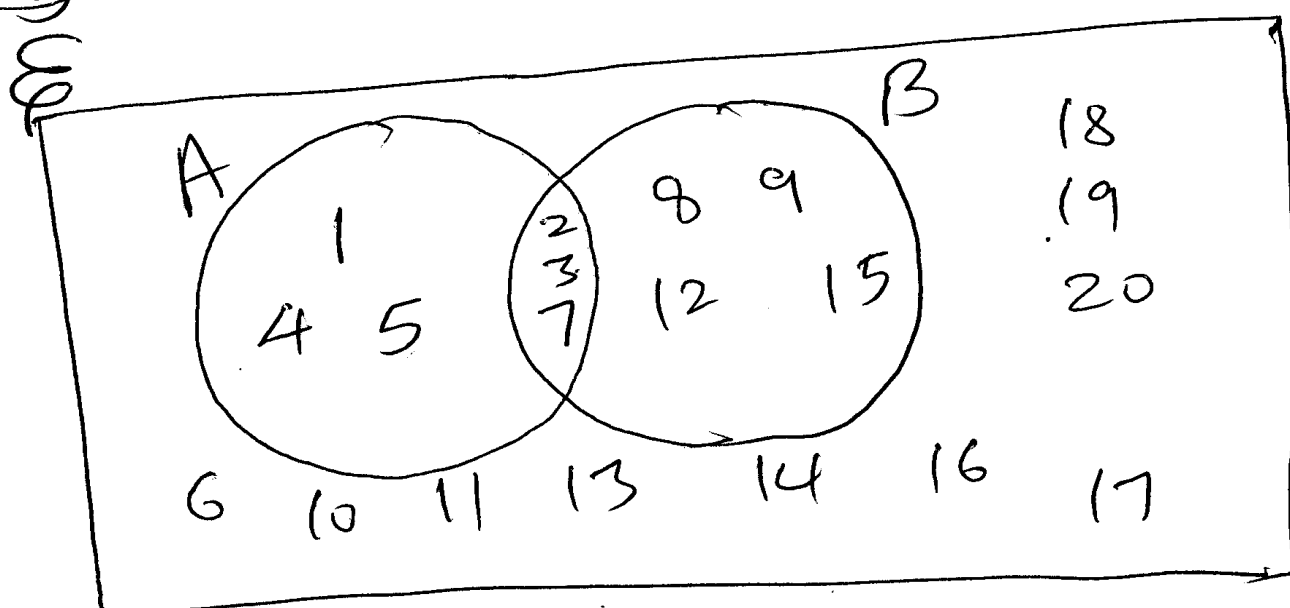
$$\text{So, } n(A \cap B)^c = 17$$

$$(iv) \quad (A \cup B)^c = \{6, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20\}$$

$$(v) \quad A^c = \{6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20\}$$

$$(vi) \quad B^c = \{1, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20\}$$
$$n(B^c) = 13.$$

(vii) The Venn diagram is ~~given~~ shown below: (6)



### Question 8

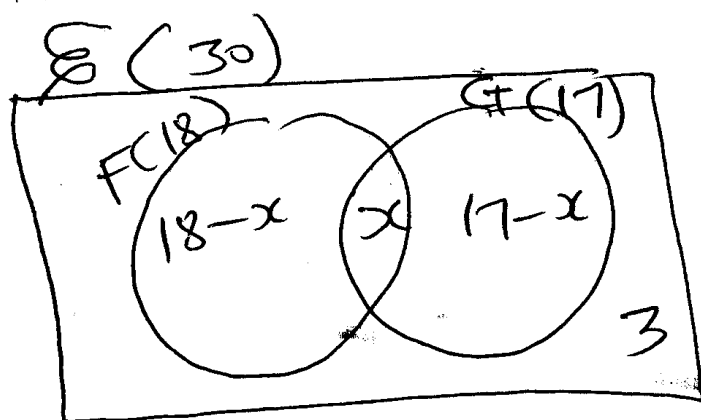
$$n(\bar{F}) = 30$$

$$n(F) = 18$$

$$n(G) = 17$$

$$n(F \cup G)' = 3$$

The Venn diagram is shown below:



Let  $x$  represent the number of pupils that take both French and German

So, we have  $n(F \cup G) =$

$$n(F) + n(G) - n(F \cap G)$$

$$\text{So, } 30 = 18 + 17 - n(F \cap G) + 3$$

$$\text{So, } 30 - 3 = 35 - n(F \cap G)$$

$$\therefore n(F \cap G) = 35 - 27 = 8$$

So, the number of pupils that take both subjects is 8

Alternatively,

$$18 - x + x + 17 - x + 3 = 30$$

$$\therefore 35 - x + 3 = 30$$

$$38 - 30 = x$$

$$\therefore x = 8$$

### Question 9

Let  $P$  represent Physics,  $C$  represent Chemistry and  $B$  represent Botany.

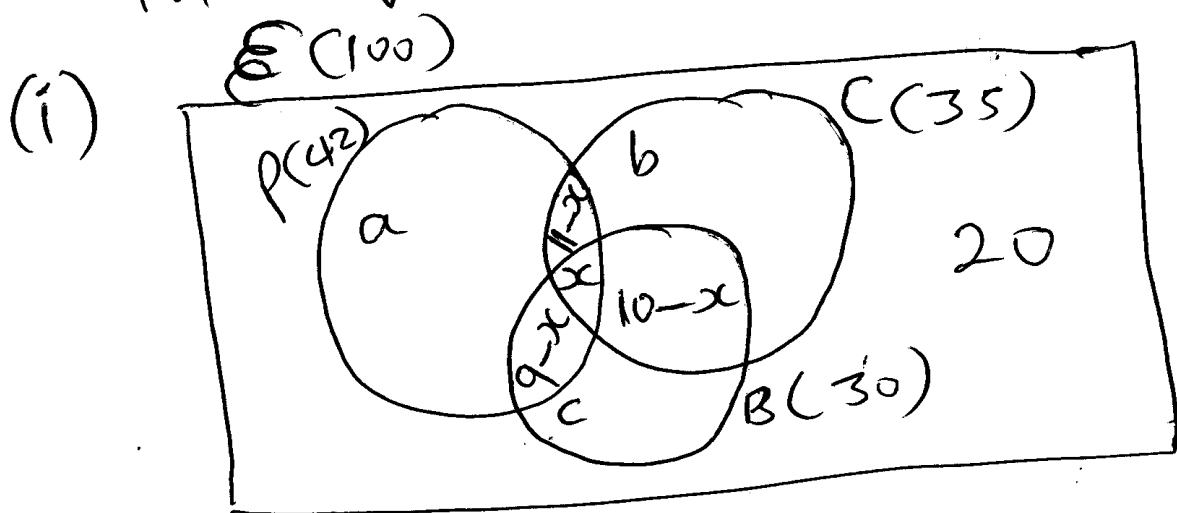
$$n(E) = 100, n(P) = 42, n(C) = 35,$$

$$n(B) = 30, n(P \cup C \cup B) = 20,$$

$$n(B \cap P) = 9, n(B \cap C) = 10 \text{ and}$$

$$n(P \cap C) = 11.$$

The Venn diagram is given below:



Let  $x$  represent the number of students that take all three subjects.

(ii) Now, using the set notation, we

$$\text{have } n(P \cup B \cup C) =$$

$$n(P) + n(B) + n(C) - n(P \cap B) - n(P \cap C) \\ - n(B \cap C) + n(P \cap B \cap C)$$

Therefore,

$$(100 - 20) = 42 + 30 + 35 - 9 - 11 - 10 + n(p \cap B \cap C)$$

$$\text{So, } 80 = 107 - 30 + n(p \cap B \cap C)$$

$$\therefore 80 - 77 = n(p \cap B \cap C)$$

$$\text{So, } n(p \cap B \cap C) = 3$$

Therefore, the number of students that take all three subjects is 3.

Alternatively, using algebra, we proceed as follows:

$$a + 11 - x + x + 9 - x = 42$$

$$\therefore a + 20 - x = 42$$

$$\text{So, } a = x + 22$$

$$\text{Also, } b + 11 - x + x + 10 - x = 35$$

$$\text{So, } b + 21 - x = 35$$

$$\therefore b = x + 14$$

$$\text{and } c + 9 - x + x + 10 - x = 30$$

$$\therefore c + 19 - x = 30$$

$$\therefore c = x + 11$$

Hence, we have

$$42 + x + 14 + 10 - x + x + 11 + 20 = 100$$

$$\therefore 97 + x = 100 \Rightarrow x = 3.$$

(iii) The number of students that take Physics only is  $a = 3 + 22$   
 $\therefore a = 25$

(iv) The number of students that take Botany and chemistry only is  $10 - x = 10 - 3 = 7$ .

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### Question 10

(i) Given  $(A \cap B)' = A' \cup B'$ .

Suppose  $x \in (A \cap B)' \iff x \notin (A \cap B)$   
 $\iff x \notin A \text{ or } x \notin B$   
 $\iff x \in A' \text{ or } x \in B'$   
 $\iff x \in (A' \cup B')$

Therefore,  $(A \cap B)' = A' \cup B'$

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(ii) Given  $A' - B' = B - A$ .

Suppose  $x \in A' - B' \iff x \in A' \text{ and } x \notin B'$   
 $\iff x \notin A \text{ and } x \in B$   
 $\iff x \in B \text{ and } x \notin A$   
 $\iff x \in (B - A)$ .

So,  $A' - B' = B - A$ .

(iii)

(8)

$$\text{Given } A - (B \cap C) = (A - B) \cup (A - C).$$

Suppose

$$x \in A - (B \cap C) \iff x \in A \text{ and } x \notin (B \cap C)$$

$$\iff x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B \text{ or } x \notin C$$

$$\iff x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B \text{ or } x \in A \text{ and } x \notin C$$

$$\iff x \in (A - B) \text{ or } x \in (A - C)$$

$$\iff x \in (A - B) \cup (A - C)$$

Therefore

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