

# HW6 (CSCI-C241)

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## 1. Question One

(a) Claim:  $2x < 2y$  if  $x + 5 < y$

*Proof.*

1. Choose two real numbers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $x + 5 < y$
2. Since  $x + 5 < y$ , we know  $2x + 10 < 2y$
3. Because  $2y > 2x + 10$ , we know  $2y > 2x$ , for the reason that  $10 + 2x > 2x$

□

(b) Claim:  $\{x \mid \frac{x+1}{2} \geq 4\} \subseteq \{x \mid 2x - 2 > 10\}$

*Proof.*

1. Choose a real number  $x$  such that  $\frac{x+1}{2} \geq 4$
2. Since  $\frac{x+1}{2} \geq 4$ , we know  $x + 1 \geq 8$
3. Since  $x + 1 \geq 8$ , we know  $x \geq 7$
4. Since  $x \geq 7$ , we know  $x > 6$
5. Since  $x > 6$ , we know  $2x > 12$
6. Since  $2x > 12$ , we know  $2x - 2 > 10$
7. Since  $2x - 2 > 10$ , we know  $x \in \{x \mid 2x - 2 > 10\}$
8. Since all the members of  $\{x \mid \frac{x+1}{2} \geq 4\}$  are members of  $\{x \mid 2x - 2 > 10\}$ ,  
we know  $\{x \mid \frac{x+1}{2} \geq 4\} \subseteq \{x \mid 2x - 2 > 10\}$

□

(c) Claim:  $A \cap B \subseteq (A \cup C) \cap D$

*Proof.*

1. Choose the sets  $A, B, C, D$
2. Since  $B \cup C \subseteq D$ , we know  $B \subseteq D$
3. Since  $A$ , we know  $A \subseteq A$
4. Since  $A \subseteq A$ , we know  $A \subseteq (A \cup C)$
4. Since  $B \cup C \subseteq D$ , we know  $C \subseteq D$
5. Since  $A \subseteq (A \cup C)$  and  $B \subseteq D$ , we know  $A \cap B \subseteq (A \cup C) \cap D$

□

(d) Claim:  $X \subseteq \overline{Y \cap Z}$

*Proof.*

1. Choose the sets  $X, Y, Z$
2. Choose towards a contradiction  $X \subseteq Y \cap Z$
3. Since  $(X \cap Y) \subseteq \overline{Z}$ , we know  $X \subseteq \overline{Z}$
4. Since  $X \subseteq \overline{Z}$ , we know  $X \not\subseteq Z$
5. Since  $X \not\subseteq Z$ , we know  $X \not\subseteq Y \cap Z$
6. Since  $X \not\subseteq Y \cap Z$ , we know  $X \subseteq \overline{Y \cap Z}$

□

(e) Claim:  $H \cup (J \cap K) \subseteq (H \cup K) \setminus M$

*Proof.*

- Choose the sets  $H, J, K, L, M$  (1)
- Case 1:  $H$  (2)
- Since  $H \subseteq \overline{M}$ , we know  $H \not\subseteq M$  (3)
- Since  $H \subseteq H$ , we know  $H \subseteq (H \cup K)$  (4)
- Since  $H \not\subseteq M$  and  $H \subseteq (H \cup K)$ , we know  $H \subseteq (H \cup K) \setminus M$  (5)
- Case 2:  $J \cap K$  (6)
- Since  $J \subseteq L \setminus M$ , we know  $J \subseteq \overline{M}$  (7)
- Since  $J \subseteq \overline{M}$ , we know  $J \not\subseteq M$  (8)
- Since  $K \subseteq K$ , we know  $J \cap K \subseteq K$  (9)
- Since  $J \cap K \subseteq K$ , we know  $J \cap K \subseteq (H \cup K)$  (10)
- Since  $J \cap K \subseteq (H \cup K)$  and  $J \not\subseteq M$ , we know  $J \cap K \subseteq (H \cup K) \setminus M$  (11)
- In either case of  $H \cup (J \cap K)$ , we proved that they were a subset of  $(H \cup K) \setminus M$ , (12)
- so  $H \cup (J \cap K) \subseteq (H \cup K) \setminus M$  (13)

□

2. Claim:  $A \cup B \subseteq B \cap C$  if  $A \subseteq C$

The Claim is proven *false*, with the following counter example:

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$B = \{4, 5, 6\}$$

$$C = \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$$

3. Question Three

(a)  $S_n = \{nx \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

Claim: if  $a, b \in S_n$  then  $5a - b \in S_n$

*Proof.*

1. Choose  $a, b \in S_n$
2. Since  $a \in S_n$ , we know  $a = nx$ , for some  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$
3. Since  $b \in S_n$ , we know  $b = ny$ , for some  $y \in \mathbb{Z}$
4. Since  $5a - b = 5(nx) - ny$ , we know  $5nx - ny$
5. Since  $5nx - ny$ , we know  $n(5x - y)$
6. Let  $z = 5x - y$
7. Since  $x, y$  are both integers, we know  $z$  must be an integer as well
8. Since  $x, z$  are both integers, we can write it as  $nz$
9. Because of this, we know  $5a - b \in S_n$

□

(b) Claim: The sum of any two rational numbers is rational

*Proof.*

1. Choose two rational numbers  $x, y$
2. Since  $x$  is rational, there exist integers  $p_1, q_1$  where  $x = \frac{p_1}{q_1}$  and  $q_1 \neq 0$
3. Since  $y$  is rational, there exist integers  $p_2, q_2$  where  $y = \frac{p_2}{q_2}$  and  $q_2 \neq 0$
4. Since  $x + y = \frac{p_1}{q_1} + \frac{p_2}{q_2}$ , we know  $x + y = \frac{p_1 q_2 + p_2 q_1}{q_1 q_2}$
5. Let  $R = p_1 q_2 + p_2 q_1$  and  $S = q_1 q_2$
6. Since  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are integers, and  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  are non-zero integers, we know that  $R$  is an integer and  $S$  is a non-zero integer
7. Since  $R$  is an integer and  $S$  is a non-zero integer, we know that  $x + y$  is rational

□

(c)  $T = \{x + y\sqrt{2} \mid x \in \mathbb{Q} \wedge y \in \mathbb{Q}\}$

$S = \{st \mid s \in T \wedge t \in T\}$

Claim:  $S = T$

*Proof.*

Choose  $s \in T$  and  $t \in T$  (1)

Since  $s \in T$ , we know  $s = x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2}$ , where  $x_1, y_1 \in \mathbb{Q}$  (2)

Since  $t \in T$ , we know  $t = x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2}$ , where  $x_2, y_2 \in \mathbb{Q}$  (3)

Since  $st = (x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2})(x_2 + y_2\sqrt{2})$ , we know  $st = x_1x_2 + x_1y_2\sqrt{2} + x_2y_1\sqrt{2} + 2y_1y_2$  (4)

Since  $st$ , we know  $st = (x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2) + \sqrt{2}(x_1y_2 + x_2y_1)$  (5)

Let  $a = x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2$  and  $b = x_1y_2 + x_2y_1$  (6)

Since  $x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ , we know  $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$  (7)

Since  $st = a + b\sqrt{2}$  and  $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$ , we know  $S \subseteq T$  (8)

Choose  $t \in T$  where  $t = x + y\sqrt{2}$ , and  $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$  (9)

Since  $t \in T$ , we know  $t = 1 \cdot t$ , where  $1 \in \mathbb{Q}$  (10)

Since  $t = 1 \cdot t$ , we know  $t \in S$ , so  $T \subseteq S$  (11)

Since  $S \subseteq T$  and  $T \subseteq S$ , we know  $S = T$  (12)

□

(d) The sum of an irrational number and a rational number is irrational.

*Proof.*

Choose an irrational number  $x$  and a rational number  $y$  (1)

Since  $x$  is irrational, we know  $x \neq \frac{p}{q}$ , where  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$  (2)

Since  $y$  is rational, we know  $y = \frac{p_1}{q_1}$ , where  $p_1, q_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$  (3)

Let  $z = x + y$  (4)

Assume towards a contradiction that  $z$  is rational (5)

Since  $z$  is rational, we know  $z = \frac{p_2}{q_2}$ , where  $p_2, q_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  (6)

We can rewrite  $x + y = z$  as  $x + \frac{p_1}{q_1} = \frac{p_2}{q_2}$  (7)

Since  $x + \frac{p_1}{q_1} = \frac{p_2}{q_2}$ , we know  $x = \frac{p_2}{q_2} - \frac{p_1}{q_1}$  (8)

Since  $x = \frac{p_2 q_1 - p_1 q_2}{q_1 q_2}$ , we know  $x = \frac{p_1 q_2 - p_2 q_1}{q_1 q_2}$  (9)

Since  $x = \frac{p_1 q_2 - p_2 q_1}{q_1 q_2}$ , we know  $x$  is rational (10)

This is a contradiction to our earlier claim, so  $z$  must be irrational (11)

□

(e)  $S_n = \{nx \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  Claim: if  $ab \notin S_n$  then  $a, b \notin S_n$

*Proof.*

Choose  $a, b, n \in S_n$  and  $ab$  where  $ab \notin S_n$  (1)

Assume towards a contradiction that  $a \in S_n$  (2)

Since  $a \in S_n$ , we know  $a = nx$ , where  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  (3)

Since  $a = nx$ , we know  $x = \frac{a}{n}$  (4)

Since  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we know  $\frac{a}{n} \in \mathbb{Z}$  (5)

Since  $\frac{a}{n} \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we know  $\frac{ab}{n} \in \mathbb{Z}$  (6)

Since  $\frac{ab}{n} \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we know  $\frac{ab}{n} \cdot n \in S_n$  (7)

Since  $\frac{ab}{n} \cdot n \in S_n$ , we know  $ab \in S_n$  (8)

This is a contradiction to our earlier claim, so  $a \notin S_n$  (9)

Assume towards a contradiction that  $b \in S_n$  (10)

Since  $b \in S_n$ , we know  $b = nx$ , where  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  (11)

Since  $b = nx$ , we know  $x = \frac{b}{n}$  (12)

Since  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we know  $\frac{b}{n} \in \mathbb{Z}$  (13)

Since  $\frac{b}{n} \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we know  $\frac{ab}{n} \in \mathbb{Z}$  (14)

Since  $\frac{ab}{n} \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we know  $\frac{ab}{n} \cdot n \in S_n$  (15)

Since  $\frac{ab}{n} \cdot n \in S_n$ , we know  $ab \in S_n$  (16)

This is a contradiction to our earlier claim, so  $b \notin S_n$  (17)

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