

HW6 Corrections (CSCI-C241)

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- Question One

– 1d

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

Proof.

Choose the sets X, Y, Z and $x \in X$ (1)

Assume $(X \cap Y) \subseteq \overline{Z}$ (2)

Suppose towards a contradiction $x \notin \overline{Y \cap Z}$ (3)

Since $x \notin \overline{Y \cap Z}$, we know $x \in Y \cap Z$ (4)

Since $x \in Y \cap Z$, we know $x \in Y$ and $x \in Z$ (5)

Since $x \in X$ and $x \in Y$, we know $x \in X \cap Y$ (6)

Since $x \in X \cap Y$, we know $x \in \overline{Z}$ (7)

Since $x \in \overline{Z}$, we know $x \notin Z$ (8)

Under the assumption of $x \notin \overline{Y \cap Z}$, we proved an impossibility of $x \in Z$ and $x \notin Z$, (9)

therefore $x \in \overline{Y \cap Z}$

Since $x \in X$ and $x \in \overline{Y \cap Z}$, we know $X \subseteq \overline{Y \cap Z}$ (10)

(11)

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– 1e

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

Proof.

Choose the sets H, J, K, L, M and $x \in H \cup (J \cap K)$ (1)

Assume $J \subseteq L \setminus M$ and $H \subseteq \overline{M}$ (2)

Case 1: $x \in H$ (3)

Since $x \in H$ and $H \subseteq \overline{M}$, we know $x \in \overline{M}$ (4)

Since $x \in \overline{M}$, we know $x \notin M$ (5)

Since $x \in H$, we know $x \in H \cup K$ (6)

Since $x \in H \cup K$ and $x \notin M$, we know $x \in (H \cup K) \setminus M$ (7)

Case 2: $x \in J \cap K$ (8)

Since $x \in J \cap K$, we know $x \in J$ and $x \in K$ (9)

Since $x \in J$ and $J \subseteq L \setminus M$, we know $x \in L \setminus M$ (10)

Since $x \in L \setminus M$, we know $x \in L$ and $x \notin M$ (11)

Since $x \in K$, we know $x \in H \cup K$ (12)

Since $x \in H \cup K$ and $x \notin M$, we know $x \in (H \cup K) \setminus M$ (13)

In either case of $H \cup (J \cap K)$, we proved that $x \in (H \cup K) \setminus M$ (14)

Under the assumption of $J \subseteq L \setminus M$ and $H \subseteq \overline{M}$, (15)

we proved that any member of $H \cup (J \cap K)$ is a member of $(H \cup K) \setminus M$,

therefore $H \cup (J \cap K) \subseteq (H \cup K) \setminus M$

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• Question Three

– 3c

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

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

Claim: $S = T$

Proof.

$$\text{Choose } s \in T \text{ and } t \in T \quad (1)$$

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

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

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

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

$$\text{Let } a = x_1x_2 + 2y_1y_2 \text{ and } b = x_1y_2 + x_2y_1 \quad (6)$$

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

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

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

$$\text{Since } 0, 1 \in \mathbb{Q}, 0\sqrt{2} = 0 \text{ and } 1 + 0 = 1, \text{ we know } 1 \in T \quad (10)$$

$$\text{Since } t, 1 \in T \text{ and } t = 1 \cdot t, \text{ we know } t \in S \quad (11)$$

$$\text{Since } t \in S, \text{ we know } T \subseteq S \quad (12)$$

$$\text{Since } S \subseteq T \text{ and } T \subseteq S, \text{ we know } S = T \quad (13)$$

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– 3d

Claim: The sum of an irrational number and a rational number is irrational.

Proof.

$$\text{Choose an irrational number } x \text{ and a rational number } y \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Since } y \text{ is rational, we know } y = \frac{p_1}{q_1}, \text{ where } p_1, q_1 \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q_1 \neq 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Let } z = x + y \quad (3)$$

$$\text{Assume towards a contradiction that } z \text{ is rational} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Since } z \text{ is rational, we know } z = \frac{p_2}{q_2}, \text{ where } p_2, q_2 \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q_2 \neq 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\text{We can rewrite } x + y = z \text{ as } x + \frac{p_1}{q_1} = \frac{p_2}{q_2} \quad (6)$$

$$\text{Since } x + \frac{p_1}{q_1} = \frac{p_2}{q_2}, \text{ we know } x = \frac{p_2}{q_2} - \frac{p_1}{q_1} \quad (7)$$

$$\text{Since } x = \frac{p_2}{q_2} - \frac{p_1}{q_1}, \text{ we know } x = \frac{p_2q_1 - p_1q_2}{q_1q_2} \quad (8)$$

$$\text{Since } q_1 \neq 0 \text{ and } q_2 \neq 0, \text{ we know } q_1q_2 \neq 0 \quad (9)$$

$$\text{Since } x = \frac{p_1q_2 - p_2q_1}{q_1q_2}, \text{ we know } x = \frac{p}{q} \text{ where } p, q \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q \neq 0, \quad (10)$$

meaning x is rational

$$\text{This is a contradiction to our earlier claim, so } z \text{ must be irrational,} \quad (11)$$

meaning the sum of a irrational number and a rational number is irrational

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