

MATH 220 Class Notes

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MATH 220: logic and set theory + presentation and communication

Sets

- $\{\} = \emptyset$: empty set
- $\{2, 3\}$: finite set
- $\{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$: infinite set
- $\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}$: shorthand infinite sets
- $\{n^2 \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$: set builder notation

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Claim: $A := \{4x + 3y \mid x, y \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \mathbb{Z}$.

Proof:

First, let $a \in A$ so that $a = 4x + 3y$ for some integers x and y . Since products and sums of integers are integers, $a \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Second, let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, and observe that $n = 4n + 3 \cdot (-n)$. Letting $x = n$ and $y = -n$, we see that $n \in A$.

We conclude that $A = \mathbb{Z}$.

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Logic

- Logical statement: can be evaluated to be true or false.
- Open sentence: not well-defined statement. Avoid.

Logical operators

- and: \wedge
- or: \vee
- negative: \sim
- implication: \implies

Implication:

P	Q	$P \implies Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	T (vacuously true)

P	Q	$P \implies Q$
F	F	T (vacuously true)

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Claim: If n is even, then $n^2 + 4n + 5$ is odd.

Proof:

Since n is even, we can write $n = 2x$ for some integer x . It follows that $n^2 + 4n + 5 = 4x^2 + 8x + 5 = 2(2x^2 + 4x + 2) + 1$, which is odd.

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Claim: for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $2 \mid n$ and $3 \mid n$, then $6 \mid n$.

Proof:

Assume that $2 \mid n$ so $n = 2x$ and $3 \mid n$ so $n = 3y$ for some integers x, y . Then $6(x - y) = 3n - 2n = n$, and since $x - y$ is an integer, we conclude that $6 \mid n$.

Claim: for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, if $x > 0$, then $x + \frac{2}{x} > 2$.

Proof 1:

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and assume that $x > 0$. We know that $(x - 1)^2 + 1 > 0$. It follows that $x^2 - 2x + 1 + 1 > 0$, which implies that $x^2 + 2 > 2x$. Since $x > 0$, we can divide by x to get $x + \frac{2}{x} > 2$.

Proof 2:

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and assume that $x > 0$. We proceed with casework.

- **Case 1:** $0 < x \leq 1$. Then $\frac{2}{x} \geq 2$ and $x > 0$, so $x + \frac{2}{x} > 2$.
- **Case 2:** $1 < x \leq 2$. Then $\frac{2}{x} \geq 1$ and $x > 1$, so $x + \frac{2}{x} > 2$.
- **Case 3:** $x > 2$. Then $x > 2$ and $\frac{2}{x} > 0$, so $x + \frac{2}{x} > 2$.

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- **Style:** avoid symbolic logic notation in proofs
- Proving a biconditional $P \iff Q$: we prove $P \implies Q$ and $Q \implies P$.

Claim: Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $n \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$ if and only if $5 \mid 2n + 1$.

Proof: continued next class

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Claim: Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Show that $n \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$ if and only if $5 \mid (3n + 1)$.

Proof:

- Forward direction: Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Assume that $n \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$, so we can write $n = 5x + 3$ for some integer x . It follows that $3n + 1 = 3(5x + 3) + 1 = 15x + 10 = 5(3x + 2)$. Since $3x + 2$ is an integer, we obtain that $5 \mid 3n + 1$.
- Reverse direction: Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. We prove the contrapositive. Assume that

Claim: for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$,

1. $n^2 + 3n + 8$ is even
2. $2n^2 + n + 1$ is not a multiple of 3

Proof of 1:

Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. We consider two cases.

- **Case 1:** assume that n is even, so we can write $n = 2x$ for some integer x . It follows that $n^2 + 3n + 8 = 4x^2 + 6x + 8 = 2(2x^2 + 3x + 4)$, which is even.
- **Case 2:** assume that n is odd, so we can write $n = 2y + 1$ for some integer y . It follows that $n^2 + 3n + 8 = (2y + 1)^2 + 3(2y + 1) + 8 = 4y^2 + 10y + 12 = 2(2y^2 + 5y + 6)$, which is even.

Since we have covered all cases, we conclude that $n^2 + 3n + 8$ is even.

Proof of 2:

Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. We consider three cases.

- **Case 1:** assume that $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$, so we can write $n = 3x$ for some integer x . It follows that $2n^2 + n + 1 = 18x^2 + 3x + 1 = 3(6x^2 + 1) + 1$, which is not a multiple of 3.
- **Case 2:** assume that $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$, so we can write $n = 3y + 1$ for some integer y . It follows that $2n^2 + n + 1 = 2(3y + 1)^2 + (3y + 1) + 1 = 18y^2 + 15y + 4 = 3(6y^2 + 5y + 1) + 1$, which is not a multiple of 3.
- **Case 3:** assume that $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$, so we can write $n = 3z + 2$ for some integer z . It follows that $2n^2 + n + 1 = 2(3z + 2)^2 + (3z + 2) + 1 = 18z^2 + 27z + 11 = 3(6z^2 + 9z + 3) + 2$, which is not a multiple of 3.

Since we have covered all cases, we conclude that $2n^2 + n + 1$ is not a multiple of 3.

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Definition: A rational number is any number of the form $\frac{a}{b}$ for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $b \neq 0$. Any real number which is not rational is irrational.

Claim: Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. Then if $a \neq b$, then $\frac{a+b}{2} > a$ or $\frac{a+b}{2} > b$.

Proof: If $a \neq b$, then either $a > b$ or $a < b$.

- If $a > b$, then $a + b > 2b$ and so $\frac{a+b}{2} > b$.
- If $b > a$, then $a + b > 2a$ and so $\frac{a+b}{2} > a$.

In both cases, one of the inequalities is true.

Claim: Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$. If x is irrational, then $x^{1/3}$ is irrational.

Proof: We prove the contrapositive. Assume that $x^{1/3}$ is rational, so $x^{1/3} = \frac{a}{b}$ for some integers a and $b \neq 0$. It follows that $x = (x^{1/3})^3 = \frac{a^3}{b^3}$, and since $b^3 \neq 0$, x is rational.

Claim: Prove that for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $3 \mid n^2$, then $3 \mid n$.

Proof: We prove the contrapositive. Assume that $3 \nmid n$, so either $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ or $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$.

- **Case 1:** $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$. Then $n^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$, so n^2 is not a multiple of 3.
- **Case 2:** $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$. Then $n^2 \equiv 4 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$, so n^2 is not a multiple of 3.

We conclude that n^2 is not a multiple of 3.

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- Missed class

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Claim: For all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, $(\forall z > 0, |x - y| < z) \implies x = y$.

Proof:

We prove the contrapositive: suppose $x \neq y$, and we want to prove that there exists $z > 0$ so that $|x - y| \geq z$.

- If $x > y$, then $x - y > 0$. Let $z = x - y$. Then $|x - y| = x - y = z \geq z$.
- If $x < y$, then $x - y < 0$. Let $z = -(x - y)$. Then $|x - y| = -(x - y) = y - x = z \geq z$.

Claim: (1) Prove that $\forall x \in \mathbb{I}, (k \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ and } k \neq 0) \implies \frac{x}{k} \in \mathbb{I}$.

Scratchwork:

$$P \implies (Q \implies R)$$

- $P : x \in \mathbb{I}$
- $Q : k \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ and } k \neq 0$
- $R : \frac{x}{k} \in \mathbb{I}$

$$\equiv \sim(Q \implies R) \implies \sim P$$

$$\equiv (Q \wedge \sim R) \implies \sim P$$

Which is: $(k \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ and } k \neq 0 \text{ and } \frac{x}{k} \in \mathbb{Q}) \implies x \in \mathbb{Q}$

Much easier to prove.

My Proof:

We prove the contrapositive. Choose an arbitrary $x \in \mathbb{I}$, and suppose that $\frac{x}{k} \in \mathbb{Q}$. We want to prove that $k \in \mathbb{I}$ or $k = 0$.

Since $\frac{x}{k}$ is rational, we can write $\frac{x}{k} = \frac{a}{b}$ for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $b \neq 0$. In particular, $a \neq 0$ because that would result in $x = 0$, which contradicts the assumption that $x \in \mathbb{I}$.

Then $k = \frac{b}{a}x$. To show that $k \in \mathbb{I}$, we prove the contrapositive: assume that $x \in \mathbb{Q}$, and we want to show that $k \in \mathbb{Q}$. Since $x \in \mathbb{Q}$, we have $x = \frac{c}{d}$ for $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $d \neq 0$. Then $k = \frac{b}{a} \cdot \frac{c}{d} = \frac{bc}{ad}$, which is rational. Since the contrapositive is true, we obtain that k is irrational.

Since we have shown that $k \in \mathbb{I}$, we know that $k \in \mathbb{I}$ or $k = 0$, as desired.

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Bounded: a function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded if $\exists M \in \mathbb{R}$ so that $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, |f(x)| \leq M$.

Claim: Show that $f(x) = 2 \sin(x) + 1$ is bounded.

Proof: we know that $-1 \leq \sin(x) \leq 1$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Therefore, $-2 \leq 2 \sin(x) \leq 2$ and $-1 \leq 2 \sin(x) + 1 \leq 3$ for all x . In particular, if we choose $M = 3$, then $-M \leq 2 \sin(x) + 1 \leq M$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Therefore, $f(x)$ is bounded.

Claim: Show that $f(x) = 2x + 5$ is not bounded.

Proof:

We prove the negation: $\forall M \in \mathbb{R}, \exists x \in \mathbb{R}$ so that $|f(x)| > M$.

Let $M \in \mathbb{R}$. Choose $x = |M|$, so $f(x) = 2x + 5 = 2|M| + 5 \geq M$.

Continuity: A function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous if $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ so that for all $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, $|x_1 - x_2| < \delta \implies |f(x_1) - f(x_2)| < \varepsilon$.

Claim: $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ so that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, (n > N) \implies \left(\frac{1}{n} < \varepsilon\right)$.

Proof: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be arbitrary. Take $N = \lceil \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \rceil > 0$.

For all $n > N$, we have $\frac{1}{n} < \frac{1}{N} = \frac{1}{\lceil \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \rceil} \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon$ as required.

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Limit of a sequence: given a sequence $\{x_n\}$ of real numbers, we say $\{x_n\}$ converges to L for some $L \in \mathbb{R}$, if $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ so that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq N$, $|x_n - L| \leq \varepsilon$.

Claim: Show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n^2 + 1} = 0$.

Let ε be arbitrary. Take $N = \lceil \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \rceil$, and let n be an arbitrary natural number greater than N . Then

$$\left| \frac{n}{n^2 + 1} - 0 \right| = \frac{n}{n^2 + 1} < \frac{n}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{N} \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon.$$

Therefore, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n^2 + 1} = 0$.

Claim: Show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1}} \neq 0$.

We first negate the definition of convergence. To show that $\{x_n\}$ does not converge to L , we need to show that $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ such that $\forall N \in \mathbb{N}, \exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq N$ such that $|x_n - L| > \varepsilon$.

Take $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}$, and let $N \in \mathbb{N}$ be arbitrary. Now, take $n = N$. In particular, $n \geq 1$. Then

$$\left| \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1}} - 0 \right| = \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}}} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{1^2}}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} > \frac{1}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

Therefore, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt{n^2 + 1}} \neq 0$.

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Limit of a function: $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ means that $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ such that $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < |x - a| < \delta \implies |f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$.

Claim: show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{2}$.

Scratch work: we want $\left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2} \right| < \varepsilon$. We want $|2 - x| < 2x\varepsilon$. Idea: choose $\delta = \min(1, 2\varepsilon)$.

If $\delta \leq 1$, then $1 \leq x \leq 3$. Then $1 \leq x \implies 2\varepsilon \leq 2x\varepsilon$ and so $|2 - x| < \delta \leq 2\varepsilon \leq 2x\varepsilon$.

Let $\varepsilon > 0$, and let $\delta = \min(1, 2\varepsilon)$. Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$, and suppose that $0 < |x - 2| < \delta$. Note that since $\delta \leq 1$, $|x - 2| < 1$, and so $x > 1$. Thus, $2\varepsilon < 2x\varepsilon$.

We then see that $|x - 2| < \delta \leq 2\varepsilon$, since $\delta \leq 2\varepsilon$. Hence $|x - 2| < 2\varepsilon \leq 2x\varepsilon$, so that $\frac{|x-2|}{2x} < \varepsilon$, since $x > 1 > 0$.

Hence, $\left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2} \right| < \varepsilon$.

Limit Not Equal: $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ so that $\forall \delta > 0, \exists x \in \mathbb{R}$ so that $0 < |x - a| < \delta$ and $|f(x) - L| \geq \varepsilon$.

Claim: show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \neq 0$.

Choose $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}$ and let $\delta > 0$ be arbitrary. Choose $x = 1 + \frac{\delta}{2}$, which satisfies $0 < |x - 1| < \delta$.

Additionally, $x > 1$ implies that $x^2 > 1 > \frac{1}{2}$ so $|x^2 - 0| \geq \frac{1}{2}$.

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Induction

For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ let $P(n)$ be a statement. Then if

- $P(1)$ is true, and
- $P(k) \implies P(k+1)$ is true for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$

then $P(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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Claim: Let $F_1 = 1, F_2 = 1, F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$ for $n > 2$. Prove that $3 \mid F_{4n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

We proceed with induction.

- For the base case, consider $n = 1$ in which case $F_{4n} = F_4 = F_3 + F_2 = F_2 + F_1 + F_2 = 3$. Then $F_{4n} = 3 \cdot 1$ and since $1 \in \mathbb{Z}$, $3 \mid F_{4n}$.
- For the inductive step, let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and assume that $3 \mid F_{4k}$. We will show that $3 \mid F_{4(k+1)}$.

1. If $F_{4k+1} \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$, then $F_{4k+2} \equiv 0 + 0 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ so $F_{4k+3} \equiv 0 + 0 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ and $F_{4k+4} \equiv 0 + 0 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$.

2. If $F_{4k+1} \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$, then $F_{4k+2} \equiv 1 + 0 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ so $F_{4k+3} \equiv 1 + 1 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ and $F_{4k+4} \equiv 2 + 1 \equiv 3 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$.

3. If $F_{4k+1} \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$, then $F_{4k+2} \equiv 2 + 0 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ so $F_{4k+3} \equiv 2 + 2 \equiv 4 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ and $F_{4k+4} \equiv 1 + 2 \equiv 3 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$.

In all cases, we have $F_{4k+4} \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$, so $3 \mid F_{4k+4}$ as desired.

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Exercise 1

a) Consider the set $A_a = \{(x, x^2 - ax), x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ for $a = 0, 1, 2$. Draw these sets.

b) Consider $B = \bigcap_{a \in \mathbb{R}} A_a$. Prove that $B = \{(0, 0)\}$.

First, to show that $\{(0, 0)\} \subseteq B$, let $x = 0$, so that $(0, 0) \in A_a$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

Second, to show that $B \subseteq \{(0, 0)\}$, consider A_0 and A_1 .

Then $A_0 = \{(x, x^2) \in \mathbb{R}\}$ and $A_1 = \{(x, x^2 - x), x \in \mathbb{R}\}$. Note that $A_0 \cap A_1 = \{(x, x^2) \mid x^2 = x^2 - x, x \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

Since $x^2 = x^2 - x$ implies $x = 0$, $A_0 \cap A_1 = \{(0, 0)\}$. Thus $\bigcap_{a \in \mathbb{R}} A_a \subseteq A_0 \cap A_1 \subseteq \{(0, 0)\}$, so $B \subseteq \{(0, 0)\}$.

Thus, $B = \{(0, 0)\}$.

Exercise 2

Let $\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n, \dots\}$ be the set of primes listed in increasing order. For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, let $A_k = \{a \in \mathbb{N} \mid a \geq 2, p_k \nmid a\}$.

For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $B_n = \bigcap_{k=1}^n A_k$

a) Find $\min(B_4)$

B_4 is the set of numbers that are not divisible by 2, 3, 5, 7. $\min(B_4) = 11$.

b) Find $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k$

$$\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k = \emptyset.$$

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Exercise 1

Let U be a set, and $A, B, C \subseteq U$.

a) Prove that $(U - A) \subseteq B$ if and only if $A \cup B = U$.

Scratchwork:

$A \cup B = U$ means that $A \cup B \subseteq U$ and $U \subseteq A \cup B$.

Proof:

First, suppose $U - A \subseteq B$. So for all $x \in U - A$, $x \in B$. Hence if $x \in U$ and $x \notin A$, then $x \in B$.

- Now let $y \in U$. If $y \in A$, then $y \in A \cup B$. If $y \notin A$, then by our assumption, $y \in B$ so that $y \in A \cup B$. Hence, $U \subseteq A \cup B$.
- Also, since $A \subseteq U$ and $B \subseteq U$, then $A \cup B \subseteq U$.

Therefore $A \cup B = U$.

Second, suppose that $A \cup B = U$. Then $U \subseteq A \cup B$.

Let $x \in U$ so that $x \in A \cup B$. Then either $x \in A$ or $x \in B$.

Let $y \in U - A$, so that $y \in U$ and $y \notin A$. Since $y \in U$, we have $y \in A$ or $y \in B$. Since $y \notin A$, we have $y \in B$. Hence $(U - A) \subseteq B$.

Since we have proven both implications, we are done.

b) Prove that $(U - A) \subseteq B$ implies that $(C - B) \cup A = A$.

Suppose that $(U - A) \subseteq B$. Then by part (a), $A \cup B = U$. Now since $C \subseteq U$, we have $C \subseteq A \cup B$.

- Let $x \in (C - B) \cup A$. Then either $x \in A$ or $x \in C - B$. If $x \in C - B$, then $x \in C$ and $x \notin B$. Since $C \subseteq U$, we have $x \in A \cup B$. Furthermore, since $x \notin B$, we have $x \in A$. On the other hand, if $x \in A$, then we are done.

So $(C - B) \cup A \subseteq A$ as needed.

- Also, clearly $A \subseteq (C - B) \cup A$.

We conclude that $(C - B) \cup A = A$.

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Exercise 1

Prove or disprove: for all sets A, B, C :

$$1. A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$$

True.

Proof: First, we will show that $A \cap (B \cup C) \subseteq (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

Suppose $x \in A \cap (B \cup C)$. Then $x \in A$, and either $x \in B$ or $x \in C$.

Case 1: $x \in B$. Then $x \in (A \cap B)$, so $x \in (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$.

Case 2: $x \in C$. Then $x \in (A \cap C)$, so $x \in (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$.

Next, we will show that $(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C) \subseteq A \cap (B \cup C)$.

Suppose that $x \in (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$.

Case 1: $x \in A \cap B$. Then $x \in A$. Furthermore, $x \in B$, and so $x \in (B \cup C)$. Thus, $x \in A \cap (B \cup C)$.

Case 2: $x \in A \cap C$. Then $x \in A$. Furthermore, $x \in C$, and so $x \in (B \cup C)$. Thus, $x \in A \cap (B \cup C)$.

We conclude that $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$.

2. $A - (B - C) = (A - B) - C$

False.

Proof: Consider the sets $A = B = C = \{1\}$.

Then $A - (B - C) = A - \emptyset = \{1\}$.

On the other hand, $(A - B) - C = \emptyset - C = \emptyset$.

Notice that $1 \in A - (B - C)$ but $1 \notin (A - B) - C$.

Hence, $A - (B - C) \not\subseteq (A - B) - C$. so $A - (B - C) \neq (A - B) - C$

Exercise 2

Prove or disprove: $(A \subseteq B) \implies (\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B))$.

True.

Assume that $A \subseteq B$. Thus, for all $x \in A$, we have $x \in B$.

Let $X \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ be arbitrary. By the definition of the power set, we know that $X \subseteq A$. Thus, for any $x \in X$, we have $x \in A$.

By assumption, $A \subseteq B$, and thus for any $x \in X$, we also have $x \in B$. Therefore, $X \subseteq B$.

Lastly, by the definition of the power set, we know that $X \in \mathcal{P}(B)$. We conclude that $\mathcal{P}(A) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B)$.

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Equivalence relation

Consider $R \subseteq A \times A$. R is an equivalence relation if:

1. **Reflexive:** all $x \in A$, $(x, x) \in R$.
2. **Symmetric:** all $x, y \in A$, if $(x, y) \in R$ then $(y, x) \in R$.
3. **Transitive:** all $x, y, z \in A$, if $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$ then $(x, z) \in R$.

Theorem: equivalent mod n is an equivalence relation. (Also proven in Video 27)

Exercise 1:

Determine, with proof, which of the following are equivalence relations.

a) $R = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid y = x^2\}$

Not an equivalence relation.

Proof: Notice that $2 \neq 2^2$, so $(2, 2) \notin R$. Since $2 \in \mathbb{R}$, the relation is not reflexive, so it is not an equivalence relation.

b) $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 3), (3, 1)\}$ on $\{1, 2, 3\}$

Not an equivalence relation.

Proof: Consider $x = 2, y = 1$, and $x = 3$, so that $x, y, z \in \{1, 2, 3\}$. Then $(2, 1) \in R$ and $(1, 3) \in R$ but $(2, 3) \notin R$. Hence, the relation is not transitive, so it is not an equivalence relation.

c) $R = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \mid 3 \mid (a - b)\}$

Is an equivalence relation.

Proof:

Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ be arbitrary. Then $a - a = 0$ and $3 \mid 0$, which means that $(a, a) \in R$ and so the relation is reflexive.

Assume that $(a, b) \in R$. Then $a - b = 3k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Thus, $b - a = 3(-k)$, so $3 \mid (b - a)$ which means that $(b, a) \in R$ and so the relation is symmetric.

Assume that $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$. Then $a - b = 3k$ and $b - c = 3l$ for some $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$. Adding gives $a - c = 3(k + l)$, so $3 \mid (a - c)$ which means that $(a, c) \in R$ and so the relation is transitive.

W9b 11/1

Exercise 1: Let A, B be sets. Prove or disprove: $\mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B) = \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$.

We claim that the statement is true.

Proof:

First, let $X \in \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$. Then for all $x \in X$, $x \in A$ and $x \in B$. Hence, $x \in A \cap B$ and so $X \subseteq A \cap B$ and $X \in \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$. Thus, $\mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$.

Next, let $X \in \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$. Then for all $x \in X$, $x \in A$ and $x \in B$. Thus $X \subseteq A$ and $X \subseteq B$, and so $X \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ and $X \in \mathcal{P}(B)$. Therefore, $X \in \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$. Thus, $\mathcal{P}(A \cap B) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B)$.

We conclude that $\mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(B) = \mathcal{P}(A \cap B)$.

Exercise 2: Let $R = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \mid 3 \mid (2a - 5b)\}$. Is R reflexive, symmetric, transitive?

Proof:

- R is reflexive. Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then $2n - 5n = -3n = 3 \cdot (-n)$. Since $-n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $3 \mid (2n - 5n)$ and $n R n$.
- R is symmetric. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Suppose that $a R b$. Then $2a - 5b = 3x$ for some $x \in \mathbb{Z}$. Adding $3a + 3b$, we have $5a - 2b = 3(x + a + b)$ and so $2b - 5a = 3(-x - a - b)$. Since $-x - a - b \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have $3 \mid (2b - 5a)$ and so $b R a$.
- R is transitive. Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$. Suppose that $a R c$ and $b R c$. Then $2a - 5b = 3x$ and $2b - 5c = 3y$ for some $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$. Adding these, we have $2a - 3b - 5c = 3x + 3y$, so $2a - 5c = 3(x + y + b)$. Since $x + y + b \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have $3 \mid (2a - 5c)$ and so $a R c$.

R is an equivalence relation.

W9c 11/3

Exercise 1:

Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$. Let $R \subseteq A \times A$ be the relation $a R b \iff a \nmid b$.

Write out the elements of R :

$\{(2, 1), (2, 3), (2, 5), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 4), (3, 5), (4, 1), (4, 2), (4, 3), (4, 5), (4, 6), (5, 1), (5, 2), (5, 3), (5, 4), (5, 6), (6, 1), (6, 2),$

Is R reflexive, symmetric, transitive?

Not reflexive: Consider $3 \in A$. Then $3 \mid 3$, so $(3, 3) \nmid R$.

Not symmetric: Consider $2, 4 \in A$. Then $2 \mid 4$ but $4 \nmid 2$ so that $(2, 4) \notin R$ but $(4, 2) \in R$.

Not transitive: Consider $2, 3, 4 \in A$. Then $2 \mid 4$ but $2 \nmid 3$ and $3 \nmid 4$. Hence $(2, 4) \in R$ and $(3, 4) \in R$, but $(2, 3) \notin R$.

What if we extend A to \mathbb{Z} ?

Same examples apply

What if we restrict A to $\{1, 3\}$?

Not reflexive, not symmetric.

It is transitive (vacuously true because there is only one element in the relation, so the assumption for transitivity which requires two elements in the relation is false)

Exercise 2:

Let A be the set of functions $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Define R on A by $R = \{(f, g) \in A \times A \mid f - g = c, \text{ for some } c \in \mathbb{R}\}$. Is R reflexive, symmetric, transitive?

It is reflexive: Consider $f \in A$, then $f - f = 0 \in \mathbb{R}$ so $(f, f) \in R$.

It is symmetric: Consider $f, g \in A$, and assume that $(f, g) \in R$ so $f - g = c$ for some $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $g - f = -c$ and since $-c \in \mathbb{R}$, we have $(g, f) \in R$ as desired.

It is transitive: Consider $f, g, h \in A$, and assume that $(f, g) \in R$ and $(g, h) \in R$. Thus $f - g = c$ and $g - h = d$ for some $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$. Adding gives $f - h = c + d$ and since $c + d \in \mathbb{R}$, we have $(f, h) \in R$ as desired.

W10a 11/6

Exercise 1: Let p be prime, and let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Prove that $p \mid (a \cdot b)$ if and only if $p \mid a$ or $p \mid b$.

Assume that $p \mid a$ or $p \mid b$. WLOG $p \mid a$. Then $a = p \cdot c$. This means that $a \cdot b = p \cdot (bc)$. Therefore, $p \mid (a \cdot b)$.

Assume that $p \mid a \cdot b$, so that $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$ so that $a \cdot b = p \cdot k$. We have two cases:

If $p \mid a$, then $p \mid a$ or $p \mid b$ and we are done.

If $p \nmid a$, then $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ since $\gcd(a, p) = p$ would imply $p \mid a$. By Bézout's lemma, $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ so that $ax + py = 1$. Multiplying by b , we have $abx + pby = b$. Since $ab = pk$, we have $p(kx + by) = b$. Since $kx + by \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have $p \mid b$ and so $p \mid a$ or $p \mid b$ and we are done.

Exercise 2: A relation R on \mathbb{Z} is defined by $a R b$ if $7a^2 \equiv 2b^2 \pmod{5}$.

a) Prove R is an equivalence relation.

Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$. Notice that $7 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$ so $7a^2 \equiv 2a^2 \pmod{5}$, so $a R a$ and R is reflexive.

Suppose that $7a^2 \equiv 2b^2 \pmod{5}$ which means that $2a^2 \equiv 2b^2 \pmod{5}$. Then $2b^2 \equiv 2a^2 \pmod{5}$ and so $2b^2 \equiv 7a^2 \pmod{5}$. Thus $b R a$ and R is symmetric.

Suppose that $a R b$ and $b R c$. Then $7a^2 \equiv 2b^2 \pmod{5}$ and $7b^2 \equiv 2c^2 \pmod{5}$. Thus $7a^2 \equiv 2b^2 \equiv 7b^2 \equiv 2c^2 \pmod{5}$. Hence, $a R c$ and R is transitive.

b) Write $[0]$ and $[1]$ as simply as possible.

$$[0] = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n \equiv 0 \pmod{5}\}$$

$$[1] = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \text{ or } n \equiv 4 \pmod{5}\}$$

W12a 11/20

Consider $f: A \rightarrow B$.

- Injective: if $f(a_1) = f(a_2)$ then $a_1 = a_2$
- Surjective: for all $b \in B$, there exists $a \in A$ such that $f(a) = b$

Note: f is injective and surjective (i.e. bijective) if and only if f has an inverse function

Exercise 1

Let $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ be given by $f(n) = (2n + 1, n + 2)$.

a) is f injective?

Yes. Assume that $n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$, and suppose $f(n_1) = f(n_2)$. Then $(2n_1 + 1, n_1 + 2) = (2n_2 + 1, n_2 + 2)$. In particular, $2n_1 + 1 = 2n_2 + 1$ implies that $n_1 = n_2$. Likewise, $n_1 + 2 = n_2 + 2$ also implies that $n_1 = n_2$.

b) is f surjective?

No. Consider $(0, 0) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$. Then for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $f(n) = (2n + 1, n + 2) \neq (0, 0)$ since $2n + 1$ is odd and 0 is even.

Exercise 2

Let $f: \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2/5\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-3/5\}$ be given by $f(x) = \frac{3x}{2-5x}$. Prove that f is bijective.

First, we prove that f is injective.

Let $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2/5\}$, and assume that $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$. Then $\frac{3x_1}{2-5x_1} = \frac{3x_2}{2-5x_2}$. Since $x_1 \neq \frac{2}{5}$ and $x_2 \neq \frac{2}{5}$, we may cross multiply to obtain $6x_1 - 15x_1x_2 = 6x_2 - 15x_1x_2$, which implies that $6x_1 = 6x_2$ and so $x_1 = x_2$. Therefore, f is injective.

Let $y \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-3/5\}$, and take $x = \frac{2y}{5y+3}$, which is defined because $y \neq -\frac{3}{5}$. Then

$$f(x) = \frac{3 \cdot \frac{2y}{5y+3}}{2 - 5 \cdot \frac{2y}{5y+3}} = \frac{6y}{2(5y+3) - 10y} = \frac{6y}{6} = y. \text{ Therefore, } f \text{ is surjective.}$$

Since f is both injective and surjective, we conclude that f is bijective.

W12b 11/22

Let $f: A \rightarrow B$ and $C \subseteq A$ and $D \subseteq B$.

The preimage of D in A is $f^{-1}(D) = \{x \in A \text{ s.t. } f(x) \in D\}$.

f^{-1} refers to the preimage. Usually, f^{-1} is not a function (when it is a function, it is the inverse function).

Technically speaking, the preimage is applied on sets and produces sets.

Exercise 1

Let $f: A \rightarrow B$. Prove that $X = f^{-1}(f(X))$ for all $X \subseteq A$ if and only if f is injective.

First, suppose that $X = f^{-1}(f(X))$ for all $X \subseteq A$. Let $a_1, a_2 \in A$ and suppose $f(a_1) = f(a_2)$. Then $\{a_1\} = f^{-1}(f(\{a_1\}))$ and $\{a_2\} = f^{-1}(f(\{a_2\}))$. Since $f(\{a_1\}) = f(\{a_2\})$, we know that $f^{-1}(f(\{a_1\})) = f^{-1}(f(\{a_2\}))$, and so $a_1 = a_2$.

Second, suppose f is injective. Let $X \subseteq A$.

1. We will show that $X \subseteq f^{-1}(f(X))$. Let $x \in X$. Then $f(x) \in f(X)$. Hence $x \in f^{-1}(f(X))$.
2. We will show that $f^{-1}(f(X)) \subseteq X$. Let $x \in f^{-1}(f(X))$. Then $f(x) \in f(X)$. So there exists $\bar{x} \in X$ with $f(\bar{x}) = f(x)$. Since f is injective, $\bar{x} = x$, so $x \in X$.

Exercise 2

Consider for $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$. Let $f: \{2 \times 2 \text{ matrices}\} \rightarrow \{2 \times 2 \text{ matrices}\}$ given by $f\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$.

a) Find $f \circ f$.

$f \circ f = \text{identity}$.

b) Is f invertible? If so, what is f^{-1} ?

W12c

Theorems

1. If $g \circ f$ is an injection then f is an injection
2. If $g \circ f$ is a surjection then g is a surjection
3. If f, g are bijective, so is $f \circ g$
4. If f is bijective then f^{-1} is a bijective function

Exercise 1

Let E, F, G be non-empty sets. Let $f: E \rightarrow F, g: F \rightarrow G, h: G \rightarrow E$ be functions. Prove that if $g \circ f$ and $h \circ g$ are bijective, then so are f, g, h .

Proof: By (1), g is injective since $h \circ g$ is injective. By (2), g is surjective since $g \circ f$ is surjective. Then g is bijective and has a bijective inverse g^{-1} .

Then $g^{-1} \circ g \circ f = f$ is bijective (composition of two bijective functions). Also, $h \circ g \circ g^{-1} = h$ is bijective.

Proof by Contradiction

1. Proofs that a number is irrational

Exercise 1

Prove that if $x^2 = 2$, then $x \notin \mathbb{Q}$. Correct approach is a proof by contradiction.

Proof: Suppose $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $x^2 = 2$. Then $x = \frac{m}{n}$ for $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $\gcd(m, n) = 1$. Hence $\left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^2 = \frac{m^2}{n^2} = 2$ and so $m^2 = 2n^2$. Then $2 \mid m^2$ and so $2 \mid m$. Hence $4 \mid m^2$, so $4 \mid 2n^2$, then $2 \mid n^2$ and so $2 \mid n$. Hence $\gcd(m, n) \geq 2$ which contradicts $\gcd(m, n) = 1$. Thus either $x \notin \mathbb{Q}$ or $x^2 \neq 2$.

W13a

Exercise 1

Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and suppose that $x^7 + 5x^2 - 3 = 0$. Prove that x is irrational.

Proof: Suppose for contradiction that $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $x^7 + 5x^2 - 3 = 0$. Then there exists $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ so that $x = \frac{a}{b}$ and $\gcd(a, b) = 1$.

Then $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^7 + 5\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2 - 3 = 0$ and $a^7 + 5a^2b^5 - 3b^7 = 0$. Reducing mod b , we have $a^7 \equiv 0 \pmod{b}$, so $b \mid a^7$. We consider two cases:

If $b \neq 1$, then there exists a prime $p \mid b$. Then $p \mid a^7$ so $p \mid a$, so $\gcd(a, b) \geq p$ which contradicts $\gcd(a, b) = 1$.

If $b = 1$ or $b = -1$, then $\frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Z}$. Reducing mod x , we have $3 \equiv 0 \pmod{x}$, so $x = \pm 1, \pm 3$.

Check cases

Rational Root Theorem

W13b

Exercise 1: Let $n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 2$, and $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$. Prove that if $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$, then $\forall c \not\equiv 0 \pmod{n}$, we have $ac \not\equiv 0 \pmod{n}$.

Proof: Let $c \in \mathbb{Z}$, and suppose $ac \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$. Then $a \cdot b \cdot c \equiv 1 \cdot c \equiv 0$, so that $1 \cdot c \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$. Then $c \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$, which proves the contrapositive.

Exercise 2: Let $(x_n), n \in \mathbb{N}$ be a sequence of real numbers. Prove that if $\lim x_n = L_1$ and $\lim x_n = L_2$ then $L_1 = L_2$.

Definition: $\lim x_n = L$ means $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$, s.t. $\forall n \geq N, |x_n - L| < \varepsilon$.

Proof: Suppose that $\lim x_n = L_1$ and $\lim x_n = L_2$, but $L_1 \neq L_2$. Then consider $\varepsilon = \frac{|L_1 - L_2|}{2}$. Note that $\varepsilon > 0$ as needed. Now observe that since $\lim x_n = L_1$, we know that there exists $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ so that for all $n > N_1$, we have $|x_n - L_1| < \frac{|L_1 - L_2|}{2}$.

W14c

Exercise: Let $\mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2}) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x = a + b\sqrt{2}, \text{ for } a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$.

a) Prove that $\mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2}) \cap \mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Z}$.

Proof: Let $x \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2}) \cap \mathbb{Q}$. Then $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ so that $x = a + b\sqrt{2}$, and $\exists p, q \in \mathbb{Z}, q \neq 0$, so that $x = \frac{p}{q}$. Then $\frac{p}{q} = a + b\sqrt{2}$, so either $\sqrt{2} = \frac{p-aq}{bq}$, or $b = 0$.

Since $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational, we must have $b = 0$, which implies that $x = a \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Now, let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then $n = \frac{n}{1} \in \mathbb{Q}$. Also, $n = n + 0\sqrt{2}$ so $n \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})$.

b) Prove that $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $x^n \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})$.

Proof: Let $x = a + b\sqrt{2}$. We claim that $x^n \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We proceed with induction.

Base case: $x^1 = (a + b\sqrt{2})^1 = x \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})$.

Inductive step: for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ assume that $x^k \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})$. We want to show that $x^{k+1} \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})$. By assumption, we may write $x^k = c + d\sqrt{2}$ for $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} x^{k+1} &= x^k \cdot x \\ &= (c + d\sqrt{2})(a + b\sqrt{2}) \\ &= (ac + 2bd) + (ad + bc)\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

so $x^{k+1} \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})$ because $ac + 2bd \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $ad + bc \in \mathbb{Z}$.

By induction, $x^n \in \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

c) Prove $\mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})$ is denumerable.

We need to show $|\mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})| = |\mathbb{N}|$, we will show that $|\mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})| = |\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}|$ and we already know that $|\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}| = |\mathbb{N}|$.

Consider $f: \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ given by $f(a + b\sqrt{2}) = (a, b)$ and $g: \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})$ given by $g(a, b) = a + b\sqrt{2}$.

To see that f is a function, suppose $a + b\sqrt{2} = c + d\sqrt{2}$ for some $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then $\sqrt{2} = \frac{a-c}{d-b}$ or $d-b = 0$. Since $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational, $d-b = 0$, so $d = b$ and hence $a = c$.

Note that g is clearly a function.

Finally, we compute $f \circ g(a, b) = f(a + b\sqrt{2}) = (a, b)$, and $g \circ f(a, b) = g(a, b) = a + b\sqrt{2}$. Thus $g \circ f = i_{\mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})}$ and $f \circ g = i_{\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}}$. Hence, f and g are inverses, so f is a bijection and $|\mathbb{Z}(\sqrt{2})| = |\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}|$.