

## Solutions

Q1(a)

$$\begin{array}{c} p \vee q \\ \neg q \vee s \\ r \rightarrow (\neg s) \\ \neg p \\ \therefore \neg r \end{array} \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{premises} \\ \text{Conclusion} \end{array} \right\}$$

$\neg p$  (premise)

$p \vee q$  (premise)

$q$  (Elimination)

$\neg \neg q \equiv q$  (logical equivalence)

$\neg q \vee s$  (premise)

$s$  (Elimination)

$\neg \neg s \equiv s$  (logical equivalence)

$r \rightarrow (\neg s)$  (premise)

$\therefore \neg r$  (Modus Tollens)

(Q1(b))

$$(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \vee \neg q)$$

is a tautology.

Method 1: Use a truth table. This is easier than logical equivalences, as there are only 4 rows to do. Check that each of the 4 rows output T.

Method 2: Logical equivalences.

$$\begin{aligned} & (p \wedge q) \vee ((\neg p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \vee q)) \\ \equiv & (p \wedge q) \vee ((\neg p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \vee \neg q)) && \text{(Double Negation)} \\ \equiv & (p \wedge q) \vee ((\neg p \wedge q) \vee \neg(p \wedge q)) && \text{(De Morgan's Law)} \\ \equiv & (p \wedge q) \vee (\neg(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge q)) && \text{(Commutative Law)} \\ \equiv & ((p \wedge q) \vee \neg(p \wedge q)) \vee (\neg p \wedge q) && \text{(Associative law)} \\ \equiv & T \vee (\neg p \wedge q) && \text{(Negation law)} \\ \equiv & T && \text{(Universal Bound)} \end{aligned}$$

Q1(c) -  $\forall y \exists x x^2 + y < 0$  is false

(need to show  $\exists y \forall x x^2 + y \geq 0$  is true)

Take  $y=0$ . Then for any given  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$x^2 + y = x^2 + 0 = x^2 \geq 0.$$

-  $\exists y \forall x x^2 + y < 0$  is false

(need to show  $\forall y \exists x x^2 + y \geq 0$  is true)

Given some  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Take  $x = |y| + 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } x^2 + y &= |y|^2 + 2|y| + 1 + y \\ &\geq 0 + |y| + 1 + y \\ &\geq -y + y \quad (\text{since } |y| \geq -y) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, after you are given  $y$ , you may consider

cases: Case 1:  $y \geq 0$ : Take  $x=0$ , then

$$x^2 + y = y \geq 0.$$

Case 2:  $y < 0$ : Take  $x = -y + 1$ ,

$$\text{then } x \geq 1, \text{ so } x^2 \geq x = -y + 1$$

$$\text{and } x^2 + y \geq 1 > 0$$

Q2(a) The statement is true.

Need to show: For every integer  $n$ ,  $4 \nmid n^2 + 1$ .

Let integer  $n$  be given, and suppose 4 divides  $n^2 + 1$ . Let  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$  be such that  $4c = n^2 + 1$ .

Case 1 :  $n$  even. Then  $n = 2k$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } 4c &= n^2 + 1 \\ &= (2k)^2 + 1 \\ &= 4k^2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

So,  $4(c - k^2) = 1$ . Since  $c, k$  are integers,

$$\begin{aligned} c - k^2 &= \frac{1}{4} & c - k^2 \text{ is an integer.} \\ \text{So, } c - k^2 &\notin \mathbb{Z}. \end{aligned}$$

we obtain a contradiction  
in Case 1.

Case 2 :  $n$  odd. Then  $n = 2l + 1$  for some  $l \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } 4c &= n^2 + 1 \\ &= (2l+1)^2 + 1 \\ &= 4l^2 + 4l + 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$2(c - l^2 - l) = 1.$$

$$c - l^2 - l = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{So, } c - l^2 - l \notin \mathbb{Z}.$$

Since  $c, l$  are integers,

$$c - l^2 - l \text{ is an integer}$$

we also obtain a contradiction in Case 2.

Thus, we conclude 4 does not divide  $n^2 + 1$ .

Q 2(b)

Statement is false. We need to find sets A, B and C such that

$$A \times (B \cap C) \neq (A \times B) \cap C$$

There are many possible counterexamples.

For instance, you can take  $A = \{0\}$

$$B = \{0\}$$

$$C = A \times B = \{(0, 0)\}$$

$$\text{Then } (A \times B) \cap C = \{(0, 0)\}$$

Since  $B \cap C = \emptyset$ , as  $0 \neq (0, 0)$

number  
in  $\mathbb{R}$

vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

NOT EQUAL.

$$\text{so, } A \times (B \cap C) = A \times \emptyset = \emptyset.$$

Another example,  $A = \{0\}$ ,  $B = \{0\}$ ,  $C = \{0\}$

$$\text{so } A \times (B \cap C) = \{0\} \times \{0\}$$

$$= \{(0, 0)\}$$

NOT  
EQUAL

$$\text{and } (A \times B) \cap C = \{(0, 0)\} \cap \{0\} = \emptyset.$$

not the same

Another example,  $A = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $B = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $C = \mathbb{R}$

$$A \times (B \cap C) = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}^2$$

NOT  
EQUAL

$$(A \times B) \cap C = \mathbb{R}^2 \cap \mathbb{R} = \emptyset$$

Q2(c)

Statement is false.

Need to find relations  $S, R$  on a set  $X$ .

and such that  $S \circ R \neq R \circ S$ .

For example,  $X = \{0, 1\}$

$$S = \{(0, 1)\}$$

$$R = \{(1, 0)\}$$

Then  $S \circ R = \{(1, 1)\}$

and  $R \circ S = \{(0, 0)\}$ .

Q 3(a)

Let  $P(n) : \sum_{i=1}^n i! \cdot i = (n+1)! - 1$

Base case  $P(1) : LHS = \sum_{i=1}^1 i! \cdot i = (1!) \cdot 1 = 1$

$RHS = (1+1)! - 1 = 2! - 1 = 1$

$\therefore P(1)$  is true.

Assume  $P(k)$  is true, for  $k \geq 1$ .

$$\hookrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^k i! \cdot i = (k+1)! - 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS of } P(k+1) &= \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} i! \cdot i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k i! \cdot i + (k+1)! \cdot (k+1) \\ (\text{By IH}) &= (k+1)! - 1 + (k+1)! \cdot (k+1) \\ &= (k+1)! (1 + (k+1)) - 1 \\ &= (k+1)! (k+2) - 1 \\ &= (k+2)! - 1 \\ &= RHS \text{ of } P(k+1). \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  By MI,  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq 1$ .

Q3(b)

$$a_0 = 1, \quad a_1 = 2, \quad a_2 = 3, \quad a_n = a_{n-1} + 3a_{n-3} + 1 \quad \text{for } n \geq 3.$$

Let  $P(n) : a_n \leq 2^n$ .

Base cases  $P(0), P(1)$  and  $P(2)$ .

$$P(0) : a_0 = 1 \leq 2^0$$

$$P(1) : a_1 = 2 \leq 2^1$$

$$P(2) : a_2 = 3 \leq 4 = 2^2$$

Now assume  $P(0), P(1), \dots, P(k-1)$  holds, where  $k \geq 3$ .

$$\text{Then } a_k = a_{k-1} + 3a_{k-3} + 1 \quad (\text{since } k \geq 3).$$

$$\leq 2^{k-1} + 3 \cdot 2^{k-3} + 1 \quad (\text{By IH } P(k-1) \text{ and } P(k-3))$$

$$= 2^{k-1} + 2 \cdot 2^{k-3} + 2^{k-3} + 1$$

$$= 2^{k-1} + 2^{k-2} + 2^{k-3} + 2^0 \quad \begin{matrix} \text{since } k \geq 3, \\ \text{so } 2^{k-3} \geq 2^0 \end{matrix}$$

$$\leq 2^{k-1} + 2^{k-2} + 2^{k-3} + 2^{k-3}$$

$$= 2^{k-3} (2^2 + 2 + 1 + 1)$$

$$= 2^{k-3} \cdot 8$$

$$= 2^k$$

By strong MI,  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq 0$ .

Q4(a)

By the definition of the floor function,  
for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , we know that

$$\begin{aligned} \lfloor x \rfloor \leq x < \lfloor x \rfloor + 1 \\ \text{and } \lfloor -x \rfloor \leq -x < \lfloor -x \rfloor + 1 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{In Lecture Notes.}$$

Adding the inequalities together,

$$\lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor -x \rfloor \leq 0 < \lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor -x \rfloor + 2$$

$$0 \leq -(\lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor -x \rfloor) < 2$$

Since  $-(\lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor -x \rfloor)$  is an integer,

we conclude that

$$-(\lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor -x \rfloor) = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

$$\text{i.e. } \lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor -x \rfloor = 0 \text{ or } -1$$

Q 4(b)

Any of  
these answers  
is fine

- The condition is that  $S \subseteq (0, \infty)$ ,
- i.e. every element of  $S$  is positive,
- or  $S$  contains only positive real numbers,
- or for every  $x \in S$ ,  $x > 0$ .

Let's verify that this condition is sufficient.

Suppose  $S$  contains only five numbers.

Let  $a, b \in S$ . Let  $0 < a \leq b$ .

Take  $n = \lfloor \frac{b}{a} \rfloor$ . Since  $\frac{b}{a} \geq 1$ , so  $n \geq 1$ .  
 $\hookrightarrow$  positive integer

We have  $n \leq \frac{b}{a} < n+1$

$$\Rightarrow b < a(n+1) \text{ (since } a > 0\text{)}$$

So  $S$  has the Archimedean property.

Let's verify that this condition is necessary.

Suppose  $S$  contains an element  $c \in S$ , s.t.  $c \leq 0$ .

If  $S$  has the Archimedean property, then

there is a positive integer  $n$  such that

$$nc > c.$$

But since  $n \geq 1$  and  $c \leq 0$ , we

$$\text{also have } nc \leq c.$$

$$\therefore \text{we have } c < nc \leq c \Rightarrow c < c,$$

a contradiction.

So  $S$  does not have the Archimedean property.

Q 5(a)

Let  $A, B$  be finite sets.

We want to show  $\underbrace{\frac{|A| + |B|}{2}}_{\text{Average of } |A| \text{ & } |B|} \leq \underbrace{|A \cup B|}_{\text{size of } A \cup B}$

Now we know  $A \subseteq A \cup B$

$$\text{so, } |A| \leq |A \cup B|.$$

We also know that  $B \subseteq A \cup B$

$$\text{so similarly, } |B| \leq |A \cup B|.$$

Adding the two inequalities,

$$|A| + |B| \leq 2|A \cup B|.$$

$$\therefore \frac{|A| + |B|}{2} \leq |A \cup B|.$$

**Q 5(b)**  $f$  is not surjective: We verify that 2 is not in the range of  $f$ .

Note that  $f(1) = 1 \text{ div } 3 = 0$

$$f(2) = 4 \text{ div } 3 = 1$$

Alternatively,  
you can show  
that  $-1 \notin \text{range}$   
of  $f$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And for } n \geq 3, f(n) &= n^2 \text{ div } 3 \\ &\geq 3^2 \text{ div } 3 \\ &= 9 \text{ div } 3 \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f(n) \neq 2 \text{ for any } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

Now we check that  $f$  is injective.

Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  such that  $n \neq m$ , and  $f(n) = f(m) = c$

Suppose  $n < m$ . (The other case  $n > m$  is same). for some  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$n^2 = 3q + r \quad \text{and}$$

$$m^2 = 3q + r'$$

for some  $0 \leq r < 3$   
 $0 \leq r' < 3$ .

Since  $n < m$ , hence,  $n+1 \leq m$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Furthermore, } m^2 - n^2 &= (3q + r') - (3q + r) \\ &= r' - r \leq r' \quad (\text{since } r \geq 0) \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} m^2 - n^2 &\stackrel{\text{since } m, n+1 > 0}{\geq} (n+1)^2 - n^2 \\ &= 2n+1 \geq 3 \quad (\text{since } n \geq 1) \end{aligned}$$

so,  $r' \geq m^2 - n^2$ , a contradiction.

$\geq 3$  So,  $f$  is injective.

Q6(a)

Given integers  $a, b, c$ . Suppose  $a \nmid b^6$  and  $a \mid c$  and  $a \mid (b^2 + c^2)$ .

Let  $k, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$ak = c \quad \text{and} \quad a\ell = b^2 + c^2$$

Then  $a\ell = b^2 + (ak)^2$

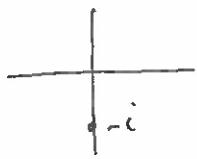
$$\Rightarrow b^2 = a\ell - a^2k^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow b^6 &= b^4 \cdot b^2 \\ &= b^4 (a\ell - a^2k^2) \\ &= a(b^4\ell - a \cdot b^4k^2)\end{aligned}$$

Since  $a, b, k, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $b^4\ell - ab^4k^2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  hence  
we conclude that  $a \mid b^6$ , a contradiction  
to our assumption.

Q6b

$$z^5 = -i \\ = e^{i\frac{3\pi}{2}}$$



Using formula,  $\theta = \frac{3\pi}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} z &= e^{i\frac{\theta+2k\pi}{5}}, k=0,1,2,3,4 \\ &= e^{i\frac{3\pi+4k\pi}{10}} \\ &= e^{i\frac{3\pi}{10}}, e^{i\frac{7\pi}{10}}, e^{i\frac{11\pi}{10}}, e^{i\frac{15\pi}{10}}, e^{i\frac{19\pi}{10}} \end{aligned}$$

Q6c

To find  $\gcd(1989, 6435)$

$$6435 = (1989) \cdot 3 + 468$$

$$1989 = (468) \cdot 4 + 117$$

$$468 = (117) \cdot 4 + 0$$

Last non-zero remainder = 117

$$\gcd(1989, 6435) = 117$$

Q7(a)

T is not reflexive: Need to find  $A \in P(\mathbb{Z})$   
s.t.  $A \not\propto A$ .

We can let  $A = \emptyset$ .

Then  $A \cap A = \emptyset$  and so  $A \not\propto A$ .

T is symmetric: Let  $A, B \in P(\mathbb{Z})$  s.t.

$A \propto B$  holds. So,  $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$ .

Since  $B \cap A = A \cap B$ , so  $B \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .

So,  $B \propto A$  holds.

T is not transitive: Need to find  $A, B, C \in P(\mathbb{Z})$

such that  $A \propto B$  holds,

$B \propto C$  holds,

$A \not\propto C$  holds.

We can take  $A = \{0, 1\}$

$B = \{1, 2\}$

$C = \{2, 3\}$ .

Then  $A \propto B$  holds as  $A \cap B = \{1\} \neq \emptyset$

$B \propto C$  holds since  $B \cap C = \{2\} \neq \emptyset$

$A \not\propto C$  holds since  $A \cap C = \emptyset$ .

Q 7 (b)

$R$  is defined on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  by

$$(a,b) R (x,y) \Leftrightarrow b=y.$$

$R$  is reflexive: let  $(a,b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

Then  $b=b$ , so  $(a,b) R (a,b)$  holds.

$R$  is symmetric: let  $(a,b), (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  s.t.

$(a,b) R (x,y)$  holds. So,  $b=y$ .

Hence  $y=b$  and so

$(x,y) R (a,b)$  holds.

$R$  is transitive: let  $(a,b), (x,y), (v,u) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  s.t.

$(a,b) R (x,y)$  holds, and

$(x,y) R (v,u)$  holds.

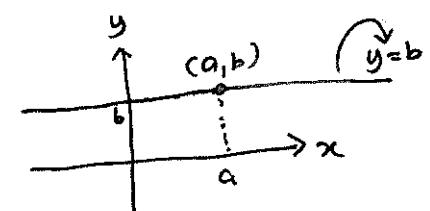
So,  $b=y$  &  $y=u$  holds.

So,  $b=u$  holds.

Hence,  $(a,b) R (v,u)$  holds.

If  $(a,b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , then  $[ (a,b) ] = \{ (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid y=b \}$ .

Geometrically this is the line  $y=b$ .



The distinct equivalence classes of  $R$

are the lines  $y=b$  for each  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ .