

Q.2 a. Show that for any two sets A and B, $A - B = A - (A \cap B)$.

Answer:

$$\text{let } x \in (A - B)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ and } x \notin (A \cap B)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A - (A \cap B)$$

$$\text{Thus, } (A - B) \subseteq A - (A \cap B) \quad \dots\dots (1)$$

Again, let $x \in A - (A \cap B)$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ and } x \notin (A \cap B)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ and } (x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B)$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A \text{ and } x \notin B$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (A - B)$$

$$\text{Thus, } A - (A \cap B) \subseteq (A - B) \quad \dots\dots (2)$$

From (1) and (2), $A - B = A - (A \cap B)$.

b. The probability that A hits a target is 1/3 and the probability that B hits a target is 1/5. They both fire at the target. Find the probability that:

- (i) A does not hit the target.**
- (ii) Both hit the target.**
- (iii) One of them hits the target.**
- (iv) Neither hits the target.**

Answer:

We are given $p(A) = 1/3$ AND $P(B) = 1/5$ and we assume that they are independent.

(i) Probability that A does not hit the target = $p(A^c) = 1 - p(A) = 2/3$.

(ii) Probability that both hit the target = $p(A \cap B) = p(A).p(B) = 1/15$.

(iii) Probability that one of them hits the target = $p(A \cup B)$
 $p(A \cup B) = p(A) + p(B) - p(A \cap B) = 7/15$.

(iv) Probability that neither hits the target = $(p(A \cup B))^c = 1 - p(A \cup B) = 8/15$.

Q.3 a. Show that $B \rightarrow E$ is a valid conclusion drawn from the following premises:

$$A \vee (B \rightarrow D), \sim C \rightarrow (D \rightarrow E), A \rightarrow C \text{ and } \sim C.$$

Answer:

Given that $A \vee (B \rightarrow D)$
 $\Rightarrow \sim A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow D)$ (Because $p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim p \vee q$)(1)
 Also given $\sim C$ and $A \rightarrow C$
 $\Rightarrow \sim C$ and $\sim C \rightarrow \sim A$ ($p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim q \rightarrow \sim p$, Law of
 contrapositive)
 $\Rightarrow \sim A$ (Law of detachment)
 Now $\sim A$ and $\sim A \rightarrow (B \rightarrow D)$ (by 1)
 $\Rightarrow B \rightarrow D$ (Law of detachment)(2)
 Again by $\sim C$ and $\sim C \rightarrow (D \rightarrow E)$
 $\Rightarrow D \rightarrow E$ (Law of detachment)(3)
 By 2 and 3 we have $B \rightarrow D$ and $D \rightarrow E$
 We have $B \rightarrow E$ (Law of transitivity)
 which is the desired conclusion.

b. Express the statement $(\sim(p \vee q)) \vee ((\sim p) \wedge q)$ in simplest possible form.

Answer:

Given $(\sim(p \vee q)) \vee ((\sim p) \wedge q) = (\sim(p \vee q) \vee \sim p) \wedge (\sim(p \vee q) \vee q)$ (Distributive Law)
 $= ((\sim p \wedge \sim q) \vee \sim p) \wedge ((\sim p \wedge \sim q) \vee q)$ (De'Morgan's
 Law)
 $= ((\sim p \vee \sim p) \wedge (\sim q \vee \sim p)) \wedge ((\sim p \vee q) \wedge (\sim q \vee q))$ (Distributive
 Law)
 $= (\sim p \wedge (\sim q \vee \sim p)) \wedge ((\sim p \vee q) \wedge T)$ ($\sim p \vee p = T$ and p
 $\wedge T = p$)
 $= (\sim p \wedge [(\sim q \vee \sim p) \wedge (\sim p \vee q)]) = (\sim p \wedge [(\sim q \vee \sim p) \wedge (q \vee \sim p)])$
 $= (\sim p \wedge [(\sim q \wedge q) \vee \sim p])$ (By right distributive
 law)
 $= (\sim p \wedge [F \vee \sim p])$ ($\sim p \wedge p = F$ and $p \vee F$
 $= p$)
 $= (\sim p \wedge \sim p)$
 $= \sim p.$

Q.4 a. Show that $\neg \forall x(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$ and $\exists x(P(x) \wedge \neg Q(x))$ are logically equivalent.

Answer:

We have $\neg \forall x(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)) \equiv \exists x(\sim(P(x) \rightarrow Q(x)))$ (Negation)
 $\equiv \exists x(\sim(\sim P(x) \vee Q(x)))$ (by, $p \rightarrow q \equiv \sim p \vee q$)
 $\equiv \exists x(P(x) \wedge \sim Q(x))$ (by De'Morgan's Law)

b. There are two restaurants next to each other. One has a sign that says, "Good food is not cheap" and the other has a sign that says, "Cheap food is not good". Are the signs saying the same thing?

Answer:

Let p: Food is good and q: Food is cheap.

Then “Good food is not cheap”: $p \rightarrow \sim q$ (1)

Now “Cheap food is not good”: $q \rightarrow \sim p$

Taking the contra positive, we have $p \rightarrow \sim q$ which is same as in (1)

Hence both the signs says same thing.

c. Verify that $[p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)] \rightarrow [(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (p \rightarrow r)]$ is a tautology.

Answer:

p	q	r	A=(p→q)	B=(p→r)	C=(q→r)	D=p→C	E=A→B	D→E
T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	F	F	F	T
T	F	T	F	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	F	T	T	T	T
F	T	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	T	F	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	T	T	T	T	T	T

Hence it is a tautology.

Q.5 a. Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ and let R be the relation defined by “x divides y” written as x / y .

- (i) Write R as a set of ordered pairs.
- (ii) Draw its directed graph.
- (iii) Find R^{-1} .

Answer:

(i) According to the given relation R can be defined as

$$R = \{(x, y) \mid x \text{ divides } y, \text{ for all } x \text{ and } y \text{ in } A\}$$

$$\text{Thus, } R = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 5), (1, 6), (2, 2), (2, 4), (2, 6), (3, 3), (3, 6), (4, 4), (5, 5), (6, 6)\}.$$

(ii) Directed graph of relation R:

$$(iii) R^{-1} = \{(1, 1), (2, 1), (3, 1), (4, 1), (5, 1), (6, 1), (2, 2), (4, 2), (6, 2), (3, 3), (6, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5), (6, 6)\}.$$

b. Prove that $n! \geq 2^n$ for $n \geq 4$, by using the principle of mathematical induction.

Answer:

Let $P(n)$ be the predicate $n! \geq 2^n$.

Basic Step:- $P(4) : 4! = 24 \geq 16 = 2^4$, hence $P(4)$ is true.

Induction Step:- Let us assume that $P(k)$ is true, i.e; $k! \geq 2^k$
 Consider $P(k+1)$ then $(k+1)! = (k+1).k! \dots\dots (1)$
 Now since $k \geq 4$
 $\Rightarrow (k+1) \geq 4+1 = 5 > 2$.

Also, $k! \geq 2^k$ (by induction hypothesis)
 Thus $(k+1)! = (k+1).k! \geq 2.2^k = 2^{(k+1)}$
 Hence proved.

Q.6 a. Let I be the set of integers and R be a binary relation defined on set I as $R = \{(x, y) \mid x \equiv y \pmod{3}, x \in I, y \in I\}$, show that R is an equivalence relation.

Answer:

$x \equiv y \pmod{3}$ can be written as $x - y = 3k$, where k is any integer.

Then $R = \{(x, y) \mid x - y = 3k, x \in I, y \in I \text{ and } k \in I\}$

1. **Reflexive:** For any $x \in I$, $x - x = 0$
 Hence, $x - x$ is divisible by 3. Therefore R is a reflexive relation.
2. **Symmetric:** for any $x, y \in I$ $(x, y) \in R \Rightarrow x - y = 3k$ (k is an integer)
 $\Rightarrow y - x = 3(-k)$ ($-k$ is an integer)
 $\Rightarrow (y, x) \in R$
 Hence, R is a symmetric relation.
3. **Transitive:** For all $x, y, z \in I$, $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in R$
 $\Rightarrow x - y = 3k_1$ and $y - z = 3k_2$ (k_1 and k_2 are integers)
 $\Rightarrow (x - y) + (y - z) = 3(k_1 + k_2) = 3m$ ($m = k_1 + k_2$ is an integer)
 $\Rightarrow (x - z) = 3m$
 $\Rightarrow (x, z) \in R$
 Hence R is transitive.

Since R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive relation, hence R is an equivalence relation.

b. Prove that if L is a bounded distributive lattice and if a complement exists in L , it is unique.

Answer:

Let L be a bounded and distributive lattice. Let $a \in L$. Let a_1 and a_2 be two complements of a . Then $a \vee a_1 = I$ and $a \wedge a_1 = 0$ and also $a \vee a_2 = I$ and $a \wedge a_2 = 0$

Then $a_1 = a_1 \vee 0 = a_1 \vee (a \wedge a_2) = (a_1 \vee a) \wedge (a_1 \vee a_2)$ (by distributive law)

$$= I \wedge (a_1 \vee a_2) = (a_1 \vee a_2) \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{Also } a_2 = a_2 \vee 0 = a_2 \vee (a \wedge a_1) = (a_2 \vee a) \wedge (a_2 \vee a_1)$$

$$= I \wedge (a_2 \vee a_1) = (a_1 \vee a_2) \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

By (1) and (2) we have $a_1 = a_2$. Hence complements are unique.

- Q.7 a. Consider the functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, defined by $f(x) = 2x + 3$ and $g(x) = x^2 + 1$. Find the composite functions $(g \circ f)(x)$ and $(f \circ g)(x)$.**

Answer:

Composite function: Consider a function $f: A \rightarrow B$ such that $f(a) = b$ and $g: B \rightarrow C$ such that $g(b) = c$, then a function $g \circ f: A \rightarrow C$ is called composite function and defined as

$$(g \circ f)(a) = g(f(a)) = [c \mid \exists \text{ an element } b \in B \text{ such that } f(a) = b \text{ and } g(b) = c].$$

We know that $(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x)) = g(2x+3) = (2x+3)^2 = 4x^2 + 12x + 9$.

$$\text{and } (f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) = f(x^2) = 2x^2 + 3.$$

- b. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$. Define $f : X \rightarrow X$ such that $f = \{(a, b), (b, a), (c, c)\}$.**

Find:

(i) f^{-1}

(ii) f^2

(iii) f^3

(iv) f^4

Answer:

Since given function is one-one and onto, we can find its inverse as

$$f^{-1} = \{(b, a), (a, b), (c, c)\}$$

$$f^2 = f \circ f = \{(a, b), (b, a), (c, c)\} \circ \{(a, b), (b, a), (c, c)\} = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c)\}$$

$$f^3 = f \circ f^2 = \{(a, b), (b, a), (c, c)\} \circ \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c)\} = \{(a, b), (b, a), (c, c)\}$$

$$f^4 = f \circ f^3 = \{(a, b), (b, a), (c, c)\} \circ \{(a, b), (b, a), (c, c)\} = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c)\}$$

- Q.8 a. Show that the set of rational numbers \mathbb{Q} forms a group under the binary operation $*$ defined by $a * b = a + b - ab$, for all $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$. Is this group abelian?**

Answer:

$(Q, *)$ will form a group if $*$ satisfies these four properties:

(i) Closure property: Let $a, b \in Q$ then $a*b = a + b - ab \in Q$ as addition and multiplication of rational numbers will also be rational number.

(ii) Associative property: It says $a*(b*c) = (a*b)*c$, for all $a, b, c \in Q$.
Then according to the given definition of $*$
 $a*(b*c) = a*(b + c - bc) = a + (b + c - bc) - a(b + c - bc)$
 $= a + b + c - ab - ac - bc - abc$
(1)

$$\text{and } (a*b)*c = (a + b - ab)*c = a + b - ab + c - (a + b - ab)c$$

$$= a + b + c - ab - ac - bc - abc$$

.....(2)

By (1) and (2) associative property is satisfied.

(iii) Identity: Let e be the identity, then $a*e = a$
 $a + e - a.e = a$ (by definition of $*$)
 then $e = 0$ and 0 is a rational number.
 Hence 0 is the identity.

(iv) Inverse: Let b be the inverse of a such that $a*b = e = 0$
 Then $a + b - ab = 0$
 $b = -a / (1 - a)$, since $a \in Q$, $-a / (1 - a) \in Q$

Hence for all $a \in Q$, there exist inverse of a in Q such that $a*a^{-1} = e$.

Thus $(Q, *)$ forms a group. Now for abelian group we have to check for commutative property.

Commutative property: It says, for $a, b \in Q$ $a*b = b*a$

Then $a + b - ab = b + a - ba$ (addition and multiplication are always commutative)

Hence the given set Q with binary operation $*$ defined as $a*b = a + b - ab$ forms an abelian group.

b. How many generators are there of the cyclic group of order 8?

Answer:

Let a be the generator of G . Then $o(a) = 8$.

We can write $G = \{a, a^2, a^3, a^4, a^5, a^6, a^7, a^8\}$. We know that if G is cyclic group generated by a and $o(a) = n$, then a^m is a generator of G if and only if m and n are relatively prime. So we make the following observations:

7 is prime to 8, so a^7 is also a generator of G .

5 is prime to 8, so a^5 is also a generator of G .

3 is prime to 8, so a^3 is also a generator of G .

Since 2 and 8, 4 and 8, 6 and 8, 8 and 8 are not relatively prime; therefore none of the elements a^2, a^4, a^6 and a^8 can be generator of G .

Hence there are only four generators of G i.e; a, a^3, a^5 and a^7

Q.9 a. Determine the group code (3, 6) using parity check Matrix H given by

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Answer:

Here the message code consisting 3 information digit is

$$\mathbf{B} = [000, 100, 010, 001, 110, 011, 111]$$

The generator matrix G of the given parity check matrix is

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, we find the (3, 6) code C by $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{B}^T \cdot \mathbf{G}$

$$\text{Thus, } \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

C is the desired code word.

b. Define Ring. Prove that if $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in (\mathbf{R}, +, \bullet)$, then $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b})^2 = \mathbf{a}^2 + \mathbf{a} \bullet \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{b} \bullet \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}^2$, where by \mathbf{x}^2 we mean $\mathbf{x} \bullet \mathbf{x}$.

Answer:

Ring: A non-empty set R with two operations called 'addition' and 'multiplication' is call a ring $(\mathbf{R}, +, \cdot)$ if it satisfies the following axioms:

- (i) $(\mathbf{R}, +)$ is an abelian group, that is
 - i. '+' is closed. If $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbf{R}$, then $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} \in \mathbf{R}$.
 - ii. '+' is associative i.e, for any $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c} \in \mathbf{R}$, $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) + \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a} + (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c})$
 - iii. '+' is commutative i.e, $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) = (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a})$
 - iv. There exist a additive identity $\mathbf{e} = 0$ such that $\mathbf{a} + 0 = 0 + \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}$
 - v. For $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{R}$, there exist $-\mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{R}$ such that $\mathbf{a} + (-\mathbf{a}) = (-\mathbf{a}) + \mathbf{a} = 0$.

- (ii) $(R, .)$ is a semi-group i.e.,
(a) $'.'$ is closed i.e, for any $a, b \in R, a.b \in R$
vi. $'.'$ is associative i.e, for any $a, b, c \in R, (a.b).c = a.(b.c)$
- (iii) Multiplication is distributive over addition i.e,
 $a.(b+c) = a.b + a.c$ and $(a +b).c = a.c + b.c$

Now it is given that $x^2 = x.x$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } (a + b)^2 &= (a + b).(a + b) = a.(a + b) + b.(a + b) && \text{by distributive law} \\ &= (a.a + a.b) + (b.a + b.b) \\ &= (a^2 + a.b + b.a + b^2) && \text{given that } x^2 = x.x \end{aligned}$$

Hence proved.

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