

- Q.2 a. Check the validity of the following argument:- (8)**
“If the labour market is perfect then the wages of all persons in a particular employment will be equal. But it is always the case that wages for such persons are not equal therefore the labour market is not perfect.”

Answer:

Let p: “Labour market is perfect”; q : “Wages of all persons in a particular employment will be equal”. Then the given statement can be written as (7)

$$[(p \rightarrow q) \wedge \sim q] \rightarrow \sim p$$

$$\text{Now, } [(p \rightarrow q) \wedge \sim q] \rightarrow \sim p = [(\sim p \rightarrow q) \wedge \sim q] \rightarrow \sim p$$

$$= [(\sim p \wedge \sim q) \vee (q \wedge \sim q)] \rightarrow \sim p$$

$$= [(\sim p \wedge \sim q) \vee 0] \rightarrow \sim p$$

$$= [\sim(p \wedge q)] \rightarrow \sim p$$

$$= \sim[\sim(p \wedge q)] \rightarrow \sim p$$

$$= (p \wedge q) \rightarrow \sim p = (p \wedge \sim p) \vee q = 1 \vee q = 1$$

A tautology. Hence the given statement is true.

**3 marks for mutating
5 marks for validating**

- b. Let L be a distributive lattice. Show that if there exists an a with (8)**
 $a \wedge x = a \wedge y$ and $a \vee x = a \vee y$, then $x = y$.

Answer:

In any distributive lattice L, for any three elements a, x, y of L, we can write

$$x = x \wedge (a \vee x) \tag{7}$$

$$= (x \wedge a) \vee (x \wedge x) \text{ [Distributive law]}$$

$$= (a \wedge x) \vee x \text{ [Commutative and Idempotent law]}$$

$$= (a \wedge y) \vee x \text{ [Given that } (a \wedge x) = (a \wedge y)]$$

$$= (a \wedge y) \vee (y \wedge x) \text{ [Distributive law]}$$

$$= (a \wedge y) \vee (y \wedge x) \text{ [Given that } (a \wedge x) = (a \wedge y)]$$

$$= (y \wedge a) \vee (y \wedge x) \text{ [Commutative law]}$$

$$= y \wedge (a \vee x) \text{ [Distributive law]}$$

$$= y \wedge (a \vee y) \text{ [Given that } (a \vee x) = (a \vee y)]$$

$$= y.$$

- Q.3 a. Solve the recurrence relation (8)**
 $T(k) = 2T(k-1), T(0) = 1$

Answer:

The given equation can be written in the following form: (8)

$$t_n - 2t_{n-1} = 0$$

Now successively replacing n by (n – 1) and then by (n – 2) and so on we get a set of equations.

The process is continued till terminating condition. Add these equations in such a way that all intermediate terms get cancelled. The given equation can be rearranged as

$$t_n - 2t_{n-1} = 0$$

$$t_{n-1} - 2t_{n-2} = 0$$

$$t_{n-2} - 2t_{n-3} = 0$$

$$t_{n-3} - 2t_{n-4} = 0$$

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$$2 - 2t_1 = 0$$

$$t_1 - 2t_0 = 0 \text{ [we stop here, since } t_0 = 1 \text{ is given]}$$

Multiplying all the equations respectively by $2^0, 2^1, 2^2, \dots, 2^{n-1}$ and then adding them together, we get $t_n - 2^n t_0 = 0$

$$\text{or, } t_n = 2^n$$

Stepwise marking

b. What are the different types of quantifiers? Explain in brief. (8)

Show that $(\exists x)(P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \Rightarrow (\exists x)P(x) \wedge (\exists x)Q(x)$

Answer: There are two quantifiers used in predicate calculus: Universal and existential.

Universal Quantifier: The operator, represented by the symbol \forall , used in predicate calculus to indicate that a predicate is true for all members of a specified set.

Some verbal equivalents are "for each" or "for every". **(2+2)**

Existential Quantifier: The operator, represented by the symbol \exists , used in predicate calculus to indicate that a predicate is true for at least one member of a specified set.

Some verbal equivalents are "there exists" or "there is".

Now, $(\exists x)(P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \Rightarrow$ For some $(x = c)(P(c) \wedge Q(c))$

$$\Rightarrow P(c) \wedge Q(c)$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists x P(x) \wedge \exists x Q(x) \text{ (4)}$$

Q.4 a. If f is a homomorphism from a commutative semigroup $(S, *)$ onto a semigroup $(T, *)$, then show that $(T, *)$ is also commutative. (8)

Answer:

The function f is said to be a **homomorphism** of S into T if (7)

$$f(a * b) = f(a) * f(b) \quad a, b \in S$$

i.e. f preserves the composition in S and T .

It is given that $(S, *)$ is commutative, so

$$a * b = b * a \quad _ \quad f(a * b) = f(b * a) \quad a, b \in S$$

$$\Rightarrow f(a) * f(b) = f(b) * f(a)$$

$\Rightarrow (T, *)$ is also commutative.

b. How many words of 4 letters can be formed with the letters a, b, c, d, e, f, g and h, when (8)

(i) e and f are not to be included

(ii) e and f are to be included

Answer:

There are 8 letters: a, b, c, d, e, f, g and h. In order to form a word of 4 letters, we have to find the number of ways in which 4 letters can be selected from 8 letters. Here order is important, so permutation is used.

(i) When **e** and **f** are **not** to be included, the available letters are 6 only. Thus we can select 4 out of six to form a word of length 4 in 6P_4 ways $= 6! / (6-4)! = 360$

Thus 360 words can be formed. **(4)**

(ii) When **e** and **f** are to be included, the available letters are all 8 letters. Thus we can select 4 out of 8 to form a word of length 4 in 8P_4 ways $= 8! / (8-4)! = 1680$. Thus 1680 words can be formed. **(4)**

Q.5 a. Let x be the set of all programs of a given programming language. Let R the relation on x defined as $P_1 R P_2$ if P_1 and P_2 give the same output on all the inputs for which they terminate. Is R an equivalence relation? If not which property fails? **(8)**

Answer:

Ans: R is defined on the set X of all programs of a given programming language. Now let us test whether R is an equivalence relation or not

Reflexivity: Let P be any element of X then obviously P gives same output on all the inputs for which P terminates i.e. $P R P$. Thus R is reflexive.

Symmetry: Let P and Q are any two elements in X such that $P R Q$. Then P and Q give same output on all the inputs for which they terminate $\Rightarrow Q R P \Rightarrow R$ is symmetric. **(4)**

Transitivity: Let P , Q and S are any three elements in X such that $P R Q$ and $Q R S$. It means P and Q gives the same out for all the inputs for which they terminate. Similar is the case for Q and S . It implies that there exists a set of common programs from which P , Q and S give the same output on all the inputs for which they terminate i.e. $P R S \Rightarrow R$ is transitive.

Therefore R is an equivalence relation. **(4)**

b. Prove that for every positive integer n , $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 3. **(8)**

Answer:

Let $P(n)$ be the proposition that for every positive integer n ; $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 3. We must show that $P(1)$ is true and that the conditional statement $P(k) \Rightarrow P(k+1)$ is true for $k = 1; 2; 3; \dots$

BASE STEP $P(1)$ is true, because $1^3 - 1 = 0$ is divisible by 3. **(2)**

INDUCTIVE STEP For the inductive hypothesis we assume that $P(k)$ holds for an arbitrary positive integer k : That is, we assume that, For every positive integer k , $k^3 - k$ is divisible by 3(2)

Under this assumption, it must be shown that $P(k+1)$ is true, namely, that $3 \mid [(k+1)^3 - (k+1)]$

is also true

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

$$= k^3 - k + 3k^2 + 3k$$

$$= k^3 - k + 3(k^2 + k).$$

Using (2) we know that $k^3 - k$ is divisible by 3 for every positive integer k : Moreover

$3(k^2 + k)$ is also a multiple of 3 for every positive integer k : Thus $k^3 - k + 3(k^2 + k)$ is divisible by 3. Since we have completed both, the base step and the inductive step we have shown that $P(n)$ is true for all positive integers n . (6)

Q.6 a. What are tautologies and contradiction? Prove that, for any propositions P, Q, R the following compound propositions are tautologies:

- (i) $[(P \rightarrow Q) \wedge (P \rightarrow R)] \rightarrow (P \rightarrow R)$
 (ii) $[P \rightarrow (Q \rightarrow R)] \rightarrow [(P \rightarrow Q) \rightarrow (P \rightarrow R)]$ (8)

Answer:

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b. Show that $S \vee R$ is tautologically implied by $(P \vee Q) \wedge (P \rightarrow R) \wedge (Q \rightarrow S)$.
 (8)

Answer:

Let us find the truth table for $[(P \vee Q) \wedge (P \rightarrow R) \wedge (Q \rightarrow S)] \rightarrow (S \vee R)$. (7)

P	Q	R	S	$(P \vee Q)$	$(P \rightarrow R)$	$(Q \rightarrow S)$	$(S \vee R)$	$[(P \vee Q) \wedge (P \rightarrow R) \wedge (Q \rightarrow S)] \rightarrow (S \vee R)$
0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Q.7 a. Consider the function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, where \mathbb{N} is the set of natural numbers, defined by $f(n) = n^2 + n + 1$. Show that the function f is one-one but not onto.
 (8)

Answer:

In order to prove that f is one to one, it is required to prove that for any two integers n and m , if $f(n) = f(m)$ then $n = m$. (7)

$$f(n) = f(m) \iff n^2 + n + 1 = m^2 + m + 1$$

$$\iff n^2 + n = m^2 + m$$

$$\square\square n(n + 1) = m(m + 1)$$

$\square\square n = m$. Because product of consecutive natural numbers starting from m and n are equal iff $m = n$.

Next f is **not onto** because for any n (odd or even) $n^2 + n + 1$ is odd. This implies that there are even elements in N that are not image of any element in N .

- b. Using principles of inclusion and exclusion determine the number of integers between 1 and 250 that are divisible by any of the integers 2, 3, 5 or 7.**

(8)

Answer:

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- Q.8 a. Find the orders of the groups $U(\mathbb{Z}_{10})$, $U(\mathbb{Z}_{11})$, and $U(\mathbb{Z}_{12})$, and describe their structure.**

(8)

Answer:

Solution The set $U(\mathbb{Z}_{10})$ is $\{1, 3, 7, 9\}$. In this case (8)

$$3^2 = 9, 3^3 = 7, 3^4 = 1,$$

so the group is a cyclic group of order 4.

$U(\mathbb{Z}_{11}) = \{1, 2, \dots, 10\}$ and here

$$2^2 = 4, 2^3 = 8, 2^4 = 5, 2^5 = 10, 2^6 = 9, 2^7 = 7, 2^8 = 3, 2^9 = 6, 2^{10} = 1,$$

So the group is a cyclic group of order 10.

$U(\mathbb{Z}_{12}) = \{1, 5, 7, 11\}$. Here every non-identity element has order 2:

$$5^2 = 1, 7^2 = 1, 11^2 = 1.$$

So in this case the group is the non-cyclic group of order 4, $C_2 \times C_2$.

- b. By finding a suitable generator, show that the multiplicative group of the field \mathbb{Z}_{23} is cyclic.**

(8)

Answer:

In the absence of further information, the obvious method is to try the smallest numbers first. Trying 2, we get the powers

$$2, 4, 8, 16, 9, 18, 13, 3, 6, 12, 1. \quad (8)$$

Some non-zero elements of \mathbb{Z}_{23} , for example 10, are not in this list, so 2 is not a generator. Also, since 3 and 4 are in the list above, they cannot be generators (if 10 were a power of 3, it would also be a power of 2, since $3 = 2^8$). So we must try 5, whose powers are:

$$5, 2, 10, 4, 20, 8, 17, 16, 11, 9, 22, 18, 21, 13, 19, 3, 15, 6, 7, 12, 14, 1.$$

This list is complete, so 5 is a generator and we have $U(\mathbb{Z}_{23}) = \langle 5 \rangle \approx C_{22}$.

- Q.9 a. Let G be the set of real numbers not equal to -1 and $*$ be defined by $a*b = a + b + ab$. Prove that $(G, *)$ is an abelian group.**

(8)

Answer:

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- b. Prove that $A \cup B = (A - B) \cup (B - A) \cup (A \cap B)$**

(8)

Answer:

(b) **Ans:** In order to prove this let x be any element of $A \cup B$, then (7)

$$x \in A \cup B \Leftrightarrow x \in A \text{ or } x \in B$$

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

$$\Leftrightarrow (x \in A - B) \text{ or } (x \in B - A) \text{ or } (x \in A \cap B)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in (A - B) \cup (B - A) \cup (A \cap B)$$

This implies that

$$A \cup B \subseteq (A - B) \cup (B - A) \cup (A \cap B) \text{ and}$$

$$(A - B) \cup (B - A) \cup (A \cap B) \subseteq A \cup B$$

$$\text{Thus } A \cup B = (A - B) \cup (B - A) \cup (A \cap B)$$

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