

8 marks

1. Let $P(a, b)$ be the open sentence “ $a^2 + b^2$ is even”, and let $Q(a, b)$ be the open sentence “ a and b are both odd”.

- (a) Let R be the statement

$$\forall a, b \in \mathbb{N}, P(a, b) \Rightarrow Q(a, b).$$

Write out this statement in words.

For any two natural numbers a and b , if $a^2 + b^2$ is even then a and b are both odd.

- (b) What is the truth value of R ? Justify your answer.

False. For example for $a=2$ and $b=2$ we have that $a^2 + b^2 = 8$ is even.

- (c) Write out in words the negation of R .

There exists two natural numbers a and b s.t. $a^2 + b^2$ is even and at least one of a or b is even.

- (d) Write out in words the converse and contrapositive of the implication $P(a, b) \Rightarrow Q(a, b)$.

Converse: If a and b are both odd then $a^2 + b^2$ is even.

Contrapositive: If a is even or b is even then $a^2 + b^2$ is odd.

8 marks 2. Give precise definitions of the following:

(a) A partition S of a set X .

A partition S of a set X is a collection of pairwise disjoint, non-empty subsets of X such that they cover X .

(b) The Cartesian product $A \times B$ of two sets A and B .

The Cartesian product $A \times B$ is the set of all ordered pairs (a, b) such that $a \in A$ and $b \in B$.

Or $A \times B = \{(a, b) : a \in A \wedge b \in B\}$.

(c) The power set $P(X)$ of a set X .

The power set $P(X)$ of a set X is the collection of all subsets of X .

Or $P(X) = \{A : A \subseteq X\}$.

(d) The sets $X = \bigcap_{\alpha \in I} S_\alpha$ and $Y = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} S_\alpha$, where $\{S_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$ is an indexed collection of sets.

X is the set of all elements which belong to all sets S_α 's.

$$X = \{x : \forall \alpha \in I \quad x \in S_\alpha\}$$

Y is the set of all elements which belong to at least one S_α . $Y = \{y : \exists \alpha \in I \text{ s.t. } y \in S_\alpha\}$

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3. For statements P , Q and R , show that the statements $(P \wedge Q) \Rightarrow R$ and $(P \wedge (\sim R)) \Rightarrow (\sim Q)$ are logically equivalent.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (P \wedge Q) \Rightarrow R &\equiv \sim(P \wedge Q) \vee R \\
 &\equiv (\sim P \vee \sim Q) \vee R \\
 &\equiv (\sim P \vee R) \vee \sim Q \\
 &\equiv \sim(P \wedge \sim R) \vee \sim Q \\
 &\equiv (P \wedge \sim R) \Rightarrow \sim Q
 \end{aligned}$$

P	Q	R	$P \wedge Q$	$(P \wedge Q) \Rightarrow R$	$P \wedge \sim R$	$\sim Q$	$(P \wedge \sim R) \Rightarrow \sim Q$
T	T	T	T	T	F	F	T
T	T	F	T	F	T	F	F
T	F	T	F	T	F	T	T
T	F	F	F	T	T	T	T
F	T	T	F	T	F	F	T
F	T	F	F	T	F	F	T
F	F	T	F	T	F	T	T
F	F	F	F	T	F	T	T

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4. Give examples of two sets A and B such that

(a) $A \subseteq B$ and $A \in B$.

$$A = \{1, 2\}$$

$$B = \{1, 2, \{1, 2\}\}$$

(b) $A \subseteq B$ and $A \notin B$.

$$A = \{1, 2\}$$

$$B = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

(c) $A \subseteq P(B)$ and $B \in A$.

$$A = \{\{1, 2\}\}$$

$$B = \{1, 2\}$$

[6 marks] 5. Let n be an integer. Prove that $n^3 - 1$ is even if and only if $n^2 + 4n$ is odd.

We want to prove that :

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad n^3 - 1 \text{ even} \iff n^2 + 4n \text{ odd}$$

We prove by cases, as every natural number is either odd or even :

Case 1 : n is even.

Then by defn $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $n = 2k$

$$\begin{aligned} n^3 - 1 &= (2k)^3 - 1 = 8k^3 - 1 = 8k^3 - 2 + 1 \\ &= 2(4k^3 - 1) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

and $k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow 4k^3 \in \mathbb{Z}$, so $n^3 - 1$ is odd

$$\text{Also } n^2 + 4n = (2k)^2 + 4(2k) = 4k^2 + 8k = 2(2k^2 + 4k)$$

and $k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow 2k^2 + 4k \in \mathbb{Z}$ so $n^2 + 4n$ is even.

Therefore we have False \iff False which is true.

Case 2 : n is odd.

Then $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $n = 2k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } n^3 - 1 &= (2k+1)^3 - 1 = 8k^3 + 12k^2 + 6k + 1 - 1 \\ &= 2(4k^3 + 6k^2 + 3k) \end{aligned}$$

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So $n^3 - 1$ is even since $4k^3 + 6k^2 + 3k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Also $n^2 + 4n = (2k+1)^2 + 4(2k+1)$
 $= 4k^2 + 4k + 1 + 8k + 4$
 $= 4k^2 + 12k + 5 + 1$
 $= 2(2k^2 + 6k + 2) + 1$

and $k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow 2k^2 + 6k + 2 \in \mathbb{Z}$

So $n^2 + 4n$ is odd.

In this case we have True \Leftrightarrow True
which is a true statement. ■