



# CS275 Discrete Mathematics

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Using truth tables, prove  $\neg(p \vee q) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q$

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

Using truth tables, prove  $p \wedge q \equiv \neg(p \rightarrow \neg q)$

<b>p</b>	<b>q</b>	<b><math>p \wedge q</math></b>	<b><math>\neg q</math></b>	<b><math>p \rightarrow \neg q</math></b>	<b><math>\neg(p \rightarrow \neg q)</math></b>
T	T	T	F	F	T
T	F	F	T	T	F
F	T	F	F	T	F
F	F	F	T	T	F

# **Prove that the product of an irrational number and a non-zero rational number is irrational.**

## **(Proof by contradiction)**

- Assume that  $x$  is an irrational number and  $y$  is a non-zero rational number.
- Suppose,  $x \cdot y$  is not irrational
- By the definition of rational, there exists integers  $a$  and  $b$  ( $b \neq 0$ ) such that  $y = \frac{a}{b}$
- Since  $x$  is irrational,  $x$  cannot be written as the ratio of two integers.
- Since  $x \cdot y$  is not irrational,  $x \cdot y$  is rational. There exists integers  $c$  and  $d$  ( $d \neq 0$ ) such that  $xy = \frac{c}{d}$

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# Prove that the product of an irrational number and a non-zero rational number is irrational. (Proof by contradiction)

- Since  $y = \frac{a}{b}$ ,  $xy = \frac{c}{d} = x \cdot \frac{a}{b}$
- Multiple each side by  $\frac{b}{a}$  ( $a \neq 0$  because  $y$  is non-zero),  $x = \frac{c}{d} \cdot \frac{b}{a}$
- Since  $a, b, c, d$  are integers,  $bc$  and  $ad$  are also integers.
- Thus,  $x = \frac{bc}{ad}$ ,  $x$  is a rational number, which is in contradiction with the fact that  $x$  is irrational number.
- Thus, “ $x \cdot y$  is not irrational” is false.
- Thus,  $x \cdot y$  is irrational

# Prove that $A \cup (B - A) = A \cup B$

- Let  $x \in A \cup (B - A)$
- By definition of union,  $x \in A$  or  $x \in (B - A)$ .
- If  $x \in (B - A)$ , by set difference  $x \in B$  and  $x \notin A$ .
- But  $x \in A$  by previous statement, so  $x \in A$  or  $x \in B$ .
- By definition of union,  $x \in (A \cup B)$ .

## Prove that $A \cap (B - A) = \emptyset$

- Assume  $A \cap (B - A) \neq \emptyset$
- There exists an  $x$  such that  $x \in A \cap (B - A)$
- So,  $x \in A$  and  $x \in (B - A)$
- If  $x \in (B - A)$ ,  $x \in B$  but  $x \notin A$
- It is contradiction with each other that  $x \in A$  and  $x \notin A$
- Thus,  $A \cap (B - A) = \emptyset$

# Given an example of a function

- $f: \mathbb{Z}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+$  that is one-to-one but not on-to.
  - $f(x) = 2x+1$ 
    - Not on-to because the image contains only odd integers
- $g: \mathbb{Z}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+$  that is on-to but not one-to-one
  - $f(x) = \left\lfloor \frac{x}{2} \right\rfloor$
- $h: \mathbb{Z}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+$  that is one-to-one and on-to.  $h$  should not be the trivial function  $h(x) = x \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .
  - $f(x) = x+1$
- $f_1: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that is strictly increasing
  - $f(x) = 5x-3$
- $f_2: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that is increasing but not strictly increasing
  - $f(x) = \left\lfloor \frac{x}{3} \right\rfloor + 1$



Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , and  $h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined as follows:

$$\mathbf{f(x)=x^2-1 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, g(x)=\sqrt{x^2+1} \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, h(x)=5x-1 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Define  $g \circ f$

$$- g \circ f = g(f(x)) = \sqrt{(x^2 - 1)^2 + 1}$$

- Define  $g \circ f \circ h$

$$- g \circ f \circ h = g(f(h(x))) = \sqrt{((5x - 1)^2 - 1)^2 + 1}$$

- Is it possible to define  $f^{-1}$ ? If not, why not? If yes, define  $f^{-1}$

- No,  $f(x)$  doesn't have an inverse because it is not one-to-one or onto in  $\mathbb{R}$

- Is it possible to define  $h^{-1}$ ? If not, why not? If yes, define  $h^{-1}$

- Yes! The inverse of  $h(x)$  shows:

$$y = 5x - 1 \quad // \text{ replace } h(x) \text{ with } y$$

$$5x = y + 1 \quad // \text{ solve for } x$$

$$x = (y + 1) / 5$$

$$y = (x + 1) / 5 \quad // \text{ swap } x \text{ for } y$$

Using mathematical induction prove the following :  
For any positive integer  $n$ ,

$$1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 = \left(n \frac{n+1}{2}\right)^2$$

- Basis step:

- P(1)

- Left side:  $1^3=1$

- Right side:  $\left(1 \cdot \frac{1+1}{2}\right)^2 = \left(1 \cdot \frac{1+1}{2}\right)^2 = 1^2 = 1$

- Inductive hypothesis :

-  $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 = \left(k \frac{k+1}{2}\right)^2$

- Inductive step:

- Assume  $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 = \left(k \frac{k+1}{2}\right)^2$  is true, we want to show  $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3 = \left((k+1) \frac{(k+1)+1}{2}\right)^2$  (see next page)

So,

$$1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3 = \left( \frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right)^2 + (k+1)^3$$

$$= \frac{k^2 (k+1)^2}{4} + (k+1)(k+1)^2$$

$$= (k+1)^2 \left[ \frac{k^2}{4} + k+1 \right] = \frac{(k+1)^2}{4} \left[ k^2 + 4k + 4 \right]$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)^2}{4} (k+2)^2 = \left[ \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2} \right]^2$$

Determine whether the following definition is valid recursive definition of a function  $f$  from the set of **non-negative integers** to the set of **integers**. Justify your answer

- $f(0)=1, f(1)=10, f(n)=f(n-1)+f(n-3)$  if  $n \geq 2$ 
  - $f(2) = f(2-1)+f(2-3) = f(1)+f(-1)$
  - Not valid!

Determine whether the following definition is valid recursive definition of a function  $f$  from the set of **non-negative integers** to the set of **integers**. Justify your answer

- $f(0)=10, f(1)=-2, f(2)=4, f(n)=f(n-3)+f(n-2)+5$  if  $n \geq 3$ .
  - $f(3) = f(3-3)+f(3-2)+5 = f(0)+f(1)+5 = 10-2+5 = 13$
  - $f(4) = f(4-3)+f(4-2)+5 = f(1)+f(2)+5 = -2+4+5 = 7$
  - $f(5) = f(5-3)+f(5-2)+5 = f(2)+f(3)+5 = 4+13+5 = 22$
  - ...
  - Valid

Determine whether the following definition is valid recursive definition of a function  $f$  from the set of **non-negative integers** to the set of **integers**. Justify your answer

- $f(0) = -5, f(1) = 5, f(n) = n^2 + 10$  if  $n \geq 2$ .
  - Not valid, because it is not defined recursively
    - Current term is not based on previous term(s)

Define the following function (from the set of **non-negative integers** to the set of **integers**) recursively.

- $f(n) = (n+1)^2 \forall n \geq 1$ 
  - $f(1) = 4, f(2) = 9, f(3) = 16, f(4) = 25, f(5) = 36, f(6) = 49 \dots$
  - $f(1) = 1+3, f(2) = 4+5, f(3) = 9+7, f(4) = 16+9, f(5) = 25+11, f(6) = 36+13 \dots$
- The recursive function:
  - $f(1) = 4, f(n) = f(n-1) + 2n + 1 \forall n > 1$


Define the following function (from the set of **non-negative integers** to the set of **integers**) recursively.

- $f(n) = n(n-1) \forall n \geq 1$ 
  - $f(1) = 0, f(2) = 2, f(3) = 6, f(4) = 12, f(5) = 20, f(6) = 30 \dots$
  - $f(2) = 0+2, f(3) = 2+4, f(4) = 6+6, f(5) = 12+8, f(6) = 20+10 \dots$
  - $f(2) = 0+1*2, f(3) = 2+2*2, f(4) = 6+3*2, f(5) = 12+4*2, f(6) = 20+5*2 \dots$
  - $f(2) = f(1) + 1*2, f(3) = f(2) + 2*2, f(4) = f(3) + 3*2, f(5) = f(4) + 4*2 \dots$
- The recursive function:
  - $f(1) = 0, f(n) = f(n-1) + 2(n-1) \forall n > 1$



**Following slides are from  
previous labs**

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Given a direct proof that if  $m$  and  $n$  are both perfect squares, then  $mn$  is also a perfect square. (An integer  $a$  is a perfect square if there is an integer  $b$  such that  $a=b^2$ )

- If  $m$  and  $n$  are perfect squares, there must be integers  $s$  and  $t$  such that  $m=s^2$  and  $n=t^2$
- Then,  $mn = s^2 t^2 = sstt = (st)(st) = (st)^2$
- Because  $s$  and  $t$  are two integers,  $st$  is an integer
- Thus,  $mn$  is also a perfect square

# Prove “if $n$ is an integer and $5n+2$ is odd then $n$ is odd” (use proof by contraposition)

- Solution:

- Since  $p \rightarrow q = \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ , we can write the the statement to “if  $n$  is even, then  $5n+2$  is even”
- Then  $5n+2 = 5(2k)+2 = 10k+2 = 2(5k+1)$
- Thus, “if  $n$  is even, then  $5n+2$  is even” is true
- Because  $p \rightarrow q = \neg q \rightarrow \neg p$ , we can say if  $n$  is an integer and  $5n+2$  is odd then  $n$  is odd” is true

# Determine whether the following function

$f: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is onto

(A function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is called on-to or surjective if for every element  $b \in B$ , there is some element  $a \in A$  with  $f(a) = b$ )

$\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  = the set of all integers, positive and negative)

- $f(m,n) = m+n$  onto
- $f(m,n) = m^2 + n^2$  Not onto
- $f(m,n) = m$  onto
- $f(m,n) = |n|$  Not onto
- $f(m,n) = m-n$  onto

# Cardinality of sets

- Cardinality of finite sets:
  - The number of elements in the set
- Countable sets:
  - A set that either *finite* or *has the same cardinality as the set of positive integers*
  - If  $S$  is a infinite set and  $S$  is countable
    - $|S| = \aleph_0$  (aleph null)



Given an example of two uncountable sets  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $A \cap B$  is:

a) finite, b) countable infinite, c) uncountable

- a)  $A = [1, 2]$ ,  $B = [3, 4]$
- b)  $A = [1, 2] \cup \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $B = [3, 4] \cup \mathbb{Z}^+$
- c)  $A = [1, 3]$ ,  $B = [2, 4]$



	<b>Mathematical Induction</b>	<b>Strong Induction</b>	<b>Modified Version of Strong Induction</b>
<b>Basis Step</b>	We verify $P(1)$ is true	We verify $P(1)$ is true	We $P(b)$ , $P(b+1)$ , $P(b+2)$ , ..., $P(b+j)$ are true
<b>Inductive Step</b>	For all positive integers $k$ , we assume $P(k)$ is true  Show $P(k + 1)$ is true	We show that the conditional statement $[P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge P(3) \wedge \cdots \wedge P(k)] \rightarrow P(k+1)$ is true for all positive integers $k$ .	Show that the conditional statement $[P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge P(3) \wedge \cdots \wedge P(k)] \rightarrow P(k+1)$ is true for every integer $k \geq b+j$ .



a) Determine which amounts of postage can be formed using just 4¢ and 11¢ stamps.

- 4, 8, 11, 12, 15, 16, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, and all values greater than or equal to 30.



b) Prove your answer using ***mathematical induction***.  
Be sure to state explicitly your inductive hypothesis in the inductive step

- Let  $P(n)$  be the statement that "we can form  $n\text{¢}$  of postage using just  $4\text{¢}$  and  $11\text{¢}$  stamps. We want to prove that  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq 30$ .
- **Basic step:**
  - $P(30) = 11+11+4+4$       **True**
- **Inductive hypothesis:**
  - Assume that we can form  $k\text{¢}$  of postage, we will show how to form  $(k+1)\text{¢}$
- **Inductive step:**
  - If the  $k\text{¢}$ , included an  $11\text{¢}$  stamp, then, replace it by three  $4\text{¢}$  stamps. We can form  $(k+1)\text{¢}$  of postage.
  - Otherwise,  $k\text{¢}$  was formed from just  $4\text{¢}$  stamps. Because  $k \geq 30$ , there must be at least eight  $4\text{¢}$  stamps. Replace the eight  $4\text{¢}$  with three  $11\text{¢}$  stamps. We can form  $(k+1)\text{¢}$  of postage.

c) Prove your answer using ***modified version strong induction***.

- Let  $P(n)$  be the statement that "we can form  $n\text{¢}$  of postage using just  $4\text{¢}$  and  $11\text{¢}$  stamps. We want to prove that  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq 30$ .
- **Basic step:**
  - $P(30) = 11+11+4+4$
  - $P(31) = 11+4+4+4+4+4$
  - $P(32) = 4+4+4+4+4+4+4+4$
  - $P(33) = 11+11+11$
- **Inductive hypothesis:**
  - $P(j)$  is true for all  $j$  with  $30 \leq j \leq k$ , where  $k$  is an arbitrary integer greater than or equal to  $33$

c) Prove your answer using ***modified version strong induction***.

- Let  $P(n)$  be the statement that "we can form  $n\text{¢}$  of postage using just  $4\text{¢}$  and  $11\text{¢}$  stamps. We want to prove that  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq 30$ .
- **Inductive step:**
  - Because  $k-3 \geq 30$ , we know that  $P(k-3)$  is true.
    - $P(j)$  is true for all  $j$  with  $30 \leq j \leq k$ , where  $k$  is an arbitrary integer greater than or equal to  $33$
  - We can form  $(k-3)\text{¢}$  of postage with only  $4\text{¢}$  and  $11\text{¢}$  stamps
  - Put one more  $4\text{¢}$  stamp, we can form  $(k+1)\text{¢}$  of postage