

This is a take-home quiz due Monday, May 19. Work should be shown for full credit.

1. (10 pts) In each case, prove or disprove. To disprove, it is enough to give a counterexample. (Note that while a Venn diagram helps, it is not a substitute to a proof or a concrete counterexample.)

(a) $A \setminus (B \setminus C) = (A \setminus B) \setminus C$, for all sets A, B, C .

The statement is false.

Many examples possible, of course.

Example: Let $A = B = C = \{a\}$

Then $B \setminus C = \emptyset$ so $A \setminus (B \setminus C) = A \setminus \emptyset = A = \{a\}$

But $A \setminus B = \emptyset$ so $(A \setminus B) \setminus C = \emptyset \setminus C = \emptyset$

Thus $A \setminus (B \setminus C) \neq (A \setminus B) \setminus C$

(b) $(A \cup B) \times C = (A \times C) \cup (B \times C)$, for all sets A, B, C .

This statement is true.

Proof: $(x, y) \in (A \cup B) \times C \stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} x \in A \cup B \text{ and } y \in C \stackrel{\text{def of } \cup}{\iff} (x \in A \text{ or } x \in B) \text{ and } y \in C$
 $\stackrel{\text{logic}}{\iff} (x \in A \text{ and } y \in C) \text{ or } (x \in B \text{ and } y \in C) \stackrel{\text{def of product set}}{\iff} (x, y) \in A \times C \text{ or } (x, y) \in B \times C$
 $\iff (x, y) \in (A \times C) \cup (B \times C)$. Thus $(A \cup B) \times C = (A \times C) \cup (B \times C)$

2. (8 pts) Consider the set $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$. In each case, give an example of a relation R on A satisfying the conditions. Just give the example, no further justification is needed.

(a) R is reflexive, symmetric, but not transitive.

$$R = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (d, d), (a, b), (b, a), (b, c), (c, b)\}$$

R is clearly reflexive and symmetric.

R is not transitive since $(a, b) \in R, (b, c) \in R$, but $(a, c) \notin R$.

(b) R is reflexive, transitive, but not symmetric and not anti-symmetric.

$$R = \{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (d, d), (a, b), (b, a), (a, c), (b, c)\}$$

R is reflexive & transitive

R is not symmetric as $(a, c) \in R$ but $(c, a) \notin R$.

R is not anti-symmetric as $(a, b) \in R, (b, a) \in R$ but $b \neq a$.

3. (8 pts) Find a concrete formula for a bijective function between the set of all natural numbers and the set of natural numbers congruent to 2 mod 5. Show that the function you found is indeed bijective.

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Sol. Pb. 3 Quiz #1

Let A be the set of natural number congruent to 2 mod 5.

$$A = \{2, 7, 12, 17, 22, \dots\}$$

Define $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$ by

$$f(k) = 5k + 2$$

Note that $5k + 2 \in A$ since $5k + 2 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$

We show that f is one to one and onto.

f one to one:

Suppose $f(k_1) = f(k_2)$. Then $5k_1 + 2 = 5k_2 + 2 \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow 5k_1 = 5k_2 \Rightarrow k_1 = k_2.$$

Thus, f is one to one.

f onto: Suppose $x \in A$. Then $x \equiv 2 \pmod{5} \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{5} \mid (x-2) \Rightarrow x-2 = 5k \text{ for } k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5k + 2 \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Since $x \in \mathbb{N}$, $x \geq 0$, so it follows that $k \geq 0$, thus $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Thus $x = f(k)$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

We proved that f is onto