

Practice Final

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1. Show that the expression $(p \Rightarrow q) \Rightarrow (q \Rightarrow p)$ is neither a tautology nor a contradiction.
If p is false but q is true then the entire expression is $(\mathbf{F} \Rightarrow \mathbf{T}) \Rightarrow (\mathbf{T} \Rightarrow \mathbf{F}) \equiv \mathbf{T} \Rightarrow \mathbf{F} \equiv \mathbf{F}$. Otherwise the entire expression is true.
2. State the negation and prove or disprove: $(\forall x)(\exists y)(\forall z)(xy \geq z)$
The negation: $(\exists x)(\forall y)(\exists z)(xy < z)$. The original statement is false, and we will show it by proving the negation: let $x = 0$. Then for any y , let $z = 1$. Then $xy = 0 < 1 = z$.

3. Prove that if x and y are positive then $\sqrt{\frac{x^2+y^2}{2}} \geq \frac{x+y}{2}$.

Work backwards from the conclusion:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{\frac{x^2+y^2}{2}} \geq \frac{x+y}{2} &\Leftrightarrow \frac{x^2+y^2}{2} \geq \frac{x^2+2xy+y^2}{4} \\ &\Leftrightarrow 2x^2+2y^2 \geq x^2+2xy+y^2 \\ &\Leftrightarrow x^2-2xy+y^2 \geq 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x-y)^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

The last inequality is true for all x and y and the inequalities are connected as if-and-only-if statements, so the inequality that we desired to prove is also true.

4. Evaluate: $\sum_{i=1}^{10} \sum_{j=1}^i i - 2j$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{10} \sum_{j=1}^i i - 2j &= \sum_{i=1}^{10} \left(i^2 - 2 \sum_{j=1}^i j \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{10} \left(i^2 - 2 \frac{i^2+i}{2} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{10} -i \\ &= -55 \end{aligned}$$

5. Find integers $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $18x + 40y = 14$
(a) Method 1: Find the gcd and solve $18x + 40y = 2$, then multiply by 7:

$$\begin{aligned} 40 - 2 \cdot 18 &= 4 \\ 18 - 4 \cdot 4 &= 2 \\ 18 - 4 \cdot (40 - 2 \cdot 18) &= 2 \\ 9 \cdot 18 - 4 \cdot 40 &= 2 \\ 63 \cdot 18 - 28 \cdot 40 &= 14 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Method 2: Trial and error. $40 - 2 \cdot 18 = 4$ and $18 - 4 = 14$, so $18 - (40 - 2 \cdot 18) = 3 \cdot 18 - 40 = 14$. Note also that $20 \cdot 18 - 9 \cdot 40 = 0$, so the two solutions (63,-28) and (3, -1) differ by a multiple of (20,-9).

6. Determine whether each of the systems of equations has a solution:

(a)

$$x \equiv 15 \pmod{35}$$

$$x \equiv 8 \pmod{10}$$

$$x \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

The first congruence implies that $x \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ and the second that $x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$, so there is no solution.

(b)

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$$

$$x \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$$

$$x \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$$

The first two congruences are the only ones involving non-relatively-prime numbers. The first implies that $x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ and the second that $x \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, and so are compatible. By the Chinese Remainder Theorem, the solution will be unique modulo $3 \cdot 8 \cdot 5 = 120$.

7. Prove using induction that if G is a tree with at least 2 vertices then $\chi(G) = 2$. You may use the fact that every tree with 2 or more vertices has at least 2 vertices of degree 1.

Base case: If G has 2 vertices then $\chi(G) = 2$.

Inductive step: suppose that any tree with n vertices can be colored, and consider a tree with $n + 1$ vertices. At least one of these vertices has degree 1, so remove it for now. What remains is a tree with n vertices, which by the inductive hypothesis can be colored with 2 colors. Now replace the vertex that was removed, and color it the color opposite its lone neighbor.

8. State the inverse, converse, and contrapositive, and prove or disprove each one: "If a number is divisible by 4 and 5 then it is divisible by 20."

Forward statement: true. If $4|n$ and $5|n$, then the fact that $\gcd(4, 5) = 1$ implies that $4 \cdot 5|n$.

Inverse: If a number is not divisible by 4 *or* not divisible by 5 then it is not divisible by 20. True because the inverse is equivalent to the converse.

Converse: If $20|n$ then $4|n$ and $5|n$. True because if $20|n$ then $20k = n$ for some k , but $20k = 5(4k) = 4(5k)$.

9. I draw cards from a deck until I have drawn all 4 aces. What is the expected number of kings that I will have drawn?

Let E_i be the event that the i -th king comes before the last ace. The chance of this is $4/5$, since there is a $1/5$ chance that a random shuffle of the cards AAAAK will end in the king.

There are 4 kings, so the total expected number of kings drawn will be $4 \cdot (4/5) = 16/5$.

10. Prove that if the events E and F are positively correlated then the events E and \overline{F} are negatively correlated.

We will do a proof by contradiction: say that $p(E \cap F) > p(E)p(F)$ but $p(E \cap \overline{F}) \geq p(E)p(\overline{F})$. Then $p(E) = p(E \cap (F \cup \overline{F})) = p((E \cap F) \cup (E \cap \overline{F})) = p(E \cap F) + p(E \cap \overline{F}) > p(E)p(F) + p(E)p(\overline{F}) = p(E)$.

This is a contradiction, so our assumption that $p(E \cap \bar{F}) \geq p(E)p(\bar{F})$ must have been incorrect. Therefore if E and F are positively correlated then E and \bar{F} are negatively correlated.

11. 10 cows, 10 ducks, and 10 pigs are all standing in a line, their positions distributed at random. What is the expected number of times a cow will be standing directly in front of a duck?

Let $E_{i,j}$ be the event that cow i is directly in front of duck j . The probability of each such event is $29/(30 \cdot 29) = 1/30$. There are 100 such events so the total expected value is $100/30 = 10/3$.

12. If I flip a fair coin 40 times, prove that the probability of getting 30 or more heads is less than or equal to $1/20$.

The variance is $np(1-p) = 40/4 = 10$, so by Chebyshev's inequality $p(|H - 20| \geq 10) = 10/10^2 = 1/10$. This is the probability of getting at least 30 or at most 10 heads, so the probability of getting just 30 or more heads is half that: $1/20$.

13. There is an urn with 5 red balls and 3 yellow balls. I draw 2 balls from the urn, flipping a fair coin to decide whether to draw with or without replacement. If I draw 1 red ball and 1 yellow, what is the probability that I drew without replacement?

If I draw without replacement then the chance of getting 1 red and 1 yellow is $15/\binom{8}{2} = 15/28$. If I draw with replacement the chance is $2(3/8)(5/8) = 15/32$. The chance of having drawn without replacement is therefore $\frac{15/28}{15/28+15/32} = 32/60 = 8/15$.

14. Give an example of each of the following:

- (a) A connected graph with no cycles.
A single vertex will do, or any tree.
- (b) A graph where every vertex has degree 3.
 K_4 , $K_{3,3}$, and the graph of a cube will all do.
- (c) A graph with an Euler path but no Euler circuit.
 $K_{2,3}$ will do, or any connected graph with 2 vertices of odd degree.
- (d) A graph with a Hamilton cycle but no Euler path.
 K_4 , or K_n for any even number $n \geq 4$.
- (e) A graph with $\chi(G) = \alpha(G) = \omega(G) = 4$.
 K_4 with three lone vertices added to the graph.
- (f) A non-planar triangle-free graph.
 $K_{3,3}$.

15. Remove an edge of your choice from K_5 . How many automorphisms does the resulting graph have?

There are 2 vertices of degree 3 and 3 of degree 4. The 2 vertices of degree 3 can be interchanged and the ones of degree 4 can be permuted in any order. The number of automorphisms is therefore $2 \cdot 3! = 12$.

16. I glue triangles and squares together in the shape of a ball so that 4 shapes fit together at every vertex. Show that the number of triangles needed is the same no matter how many squares are used.

Each triangle contributes $3/4 - 3/2 + 1 = 1/4$ and each square contributes $4/4 - 4/2 + 1 = 0$. If T is the number of triangles and S is the number of squares, then $T/4 + 0 \cdot S = 2$, so $T = 8$. One such shape is the octahedron, with 8 triangles and no squares.