

Problem Set 5

Due: Friday, May 3rd by 11:00pm

Instructions

Solutions submission. You must submit your solution via Gradescope. In particular:

- Submit a *single* PDF file containing your solutions to Task 1(b), 2(b), 3, 5, 6 (and optionally 7). Follow the prompt on Gradescope to link tasks to your pages.
- The instructions for submitting Task 1(a), 2(a), and 4 appear below those individual problems.

Task 1 – The Dude Divides

[16 pts]

Let A and B be the following sets:

$$A := \{n \in \mathbb{Z} : 6 \mid n + 4\}$$

$$B := \{n \in \mathbb{Z} : 2 \mid n - 4\}$$

Now, consider the following claim:

$$A \subseteq B$$

a) Write a **formal proof** that the claim holds.

In Cozy, you can replace “ $x \in A$ ” by “ $6 \mid x + 4$ ” with “`defof A`” and the reverse with “`undef A`”.¹ You can replace “ $A \subseteq B$ ” by “ $\forall x (x \in A \rightarrow x \in B)$ ” with “`defof subset {A} {B}`” and the reverse with “`undef subset {A} {B}`”. (Here, you must also say *which* sets you are comparing. Just saying “`defof subset`” wouldn’t be enough information for Cozy.)

Submit and check your formal proof here:

<http://cozy.cs.washington.edu>

You **must also** include your solution (as a screenshot, typeset \LaTeX , or rewritten by hand) in the PDF you submit to **Gradescope**.

b) Translate your formal proof to an **English proof**.

Keep in mind that your proof will be read by a *human*, not a computer, so you should explain the algebra steps in more detail, whereas some of the predicate logic steps (e.g., Elim \exists) can be skipped.

¹Those commands should work as stated when reasoning backward. For forward reasoning, you need to add the line number at the end, e.g., `defof A 1.1.1`.

Task 2 – Feelin’ Proovy

[16 pts]

Let A and B be sets. Now, consider the following claim:

$$(A \setminus B) \setminus C \cup (B \cap C) \subseteq A \cup B$$

a) Write a **formal proof** that the claim holds.

In Cozy, you can replace “ $x \in A \cup B$ ” by “ $x \in A \vee x \in B$ ” with “`defof cup {A} {B}`” and the reverse with “`undef cup {A} {B}`”. Likewise, the commands for $x \in A \cap B$, $x \in A \setminus B$, and $x \in A^C$ would be “`defof cap {A} {B}`”, “`defof \ {A} {B}`”, and “`defof ~ {A}`”, respectively.

Hint: After unrolling the definitions, the fact you know should be a “ \vee ” (from unrolling “ \cup ”). It may be easiest to prove the required conclusion holds *by cases* using that “ \vee ”.

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b) Translate your formal proof to an **English proof**.

Follow the same rules as in Task 1.

Task 3 – Parmesian, Romano, and Meta

[8 pts]

Let A , B , and C be sets. For each of the following claims, write an **English proof** that the claim holds by following the Meta Theorem *template* given in lecture.

Note: In your equivalence chain, you can skip steps showing commutativity or associativity, as long as each step is easy to follow.

a) $(A \setminus B) \cup \overline{C} = (A \cup \overline{C}) \setminus (B \cap C)$

b) $B \setminus (A \setminus (C \cup B)) = (A \cup \overline{A}) \setminus \overline{B}$

Task 4 – Our Finest Power

[14 pts]

Let the domain of discourse be sets of integers, and let A , B , and C be some sets.

Write a **formal proof** that $\mathcal{P}(A) \cap \mathcal{P}(C) \subseteq \mathcal{P}(B \cap C)$ follows from $A \subseteq B$.

Your proof will need the definition of \mathcal{P} in addition to the other set operations. In Cozy, you can replace “ $x \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ ” by its definition, “ $x \subseteq A$ ”, with “defof PowerSet” and the reverse with “undef”. In Cozy’s syntax, you write $x \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ as “x in power(A)”.

Submit and check your formal proof here:

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You can make as many attempts as needed to find a correct answer.

Task 5 – Alien Induction

[20 pts]

Prove, by induction, that

$$\sum_{i=0}^n (3i + 1) = \frac{3n^2 + 5n + 2}{2}$$

holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Write an *English* proof, following the template given in lecture.

Task 6 – Super-Colliding Super Inductor

[20 pts]

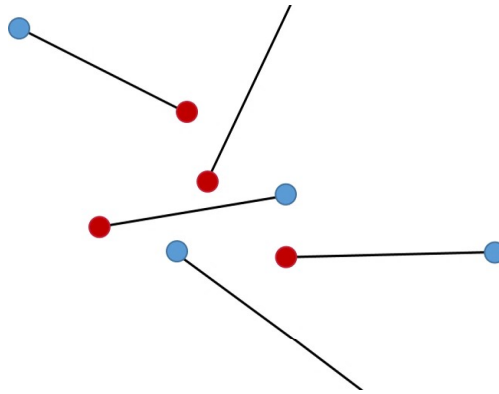
Prove, by induction, that $2n^3 + n$ is divisible by 3 for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Write an *English* proof, following the template given in lecture.

Task 7 – Extra Credit: Match Me If You Can

[0 pts]

In this problem, you will show that given n red points and n blue points in the plane such that no three points lie on a common line, it is possible to draw line segments between red-blue pairs so that all the pairs are matched and none of the line segments intersect. Assume that there are n red and n blue points fixed in the plane.



A *matching* M is a collection of n line segments connecting distinct red-blue pairs. The *total length* of a matching M is the sum of the lengths of the line segments in M . Say that a matching M is *minimal* if there is no matching with a smaller total length.

Let $\text{IsMinimal}(M)$ be the predicate that is true precisely when M is a minimal matching. Let $\text{HasCrossing}(M)$ be the predicate that is true precisely when there are two line segments in M that cross each other.

Give an argument in English explaining why there must be at least one matching M so that $\text{IsMinimal}(M)$ is true, i.e.

$$\exists M \text{IsMinimal}(M)$$

Give an argument in English explaining why

$$\forall M (\text{HasCrossing}(M) \rightarrow \neg \text{IsMinimal}(M))$$

Then, use the two results above to give a proof of the statement:

$$\exists M \neg \text{HasCrossing}(M).$$