

CS 1050 Practice Midterm 2 Solutions

1. Negate the following sentences:

a) For all integers $n \geq 4$, there exists $c \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $n^{100} \geq 2^n$.

Ans: There exists an integer n , $n \geq 4$, such that for all $c \in \mathbb{R}$, $n^{100} < 2^n$.

b) The square of an integer is never odd.

Ans: There exists an integer n such that n^2 is odd.

c) $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \forall y \in \mathbb{R} [x > y] \text{ or } [x < y]$.

Ans: $\exists x \in \mathbb{R} \exists y \in \mathbb{R} [x \leq y] \text{ and } [x \geq y]$.

d) $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \exists y \in \mathbb{Z}^+ [x^2 = y^2] \text{ and } [x \neq y]$.

Ans: $\exists x \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \forall y \in \mathbb{Z}^+ [x^2 \neq y^2] \text{ or } [x = y]$.

2.

Theorem 1. For all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}.$$

Proof. (by induction)

Base case: $n = 1$: $\sum_{i=1}^1 i^2 = 1^2 = 1 = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3}{6}$.

Induction hypothesis: Let $k \geq 1$ and assume

$$\sum_{i=1}^k i^2 = \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6}.$$

Inductive step: We will show the equation holds when $n = k + 1$.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k i^2 + (k+1)^2 = \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6} + (k+1)^2 \quad (\text{by the induction hypothesis})$$

$$= \frac{k+1}{6}(k(2k+1) + 6(k+1)) = \frac{k+1}{6}(2k^2 + 7k + 6) = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(2(k+1)+1)}{6}.$$

Thus, by induction, for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}.$$

3. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$f(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + x_2, 2x_1 - x_2)$$

for all reals x_1, x_2 .

Prove that f is invertible.

Proof. First we will show that f is onto, i.e., for all $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}, \exists(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(x, y) = (a, b)$. Let $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$. Let $x = \frac{a+b}{3}$ and let $y = \frac{2a-b}{3}$, where both x and y are reals since a and b are. Then

$$f(x, y) = f\left(\frac{a+b}{3}, \frac{2a-b}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{a+b+2a-b}{3}, \frac{2a+2b-(2a-b)}{3}\right) = (a, b).$$

Hence f is onto.

Now we will show that f is 1-1. Suppose for $x, y, x', y' \in \mathbb{R}, f(x, y) = f(x', y')$. Then $x + y = x' + y'$ and $2x - y = 2x' - y'$. Adding these two equations, we find $x + y + 2x - y = x' + y' + 2x' - y'$ which implies $3x = 3x'$ and hence $x = x'$. Substituting this into the first equation, we find $x + y = x + y'$ or $y = y'$. Therefore $f(x, y) = f(x', y')$ implies $(x, y) = (x', y')$ and so f is 1-1.

Since we have shown that f is both onto and 1-1, it is invertible.

4. Let $a_1 = 5, a_2 = 13$, and, for $n \geq 2$, let $a_{n+1} = 5a_n - 6a_{n-1}$.

Prove the following theorem.

Theorem 2. For all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, a_n = 3^n + 2^n$.

Proof. (by strong induction)

Base cases: $n = 1 : a_1 = 3^1 + 2^1 = 5. n = 2 : a_2 = 3^2 + 2^2 = 13.$

Induction hypothesis: Let $k \geq 2$ be an integer and assume that $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, 0 \leq n \leq k, a_n = 3^n + 2^n$.

Inductive step: We want to show that $a_{n+1} = 3^{n+1} + 2^{n+1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} a_{n+1} &= 5a_n - 6a_{n-1} = 5(3^n + 2^n) - 6(3^{n-1} + 2^{n-1}) \\ &= (15 - 6)3^{n-1} + (10 - 6)2^{n-1} = 3^{n+1} + 2^{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by induction, $a_n = 3^n + 2^n$ for all integers $n \geq 1$.

5. Prove that for all integers $n \geq 1$, $8^n - 2^n$ is a multiple of 6.

Proof. (by induction) Base case: If $n = 1$, then $8^1 - 2^1 = 6$ so it is a multiple of 6.

Inductive hypothesis: Let $n \geq 1$ and assume $8^n - 2^n$ is a multiple of 6, i.e., there exists an integer k such that $8^n - 2^n = 6k$. Inductive step: We want to show that $8^{n+1} - 2^{n+1}$ is a multiple of 6 as well.

$$\begin{aligned} 8^{n+1} - 2^{n+1} &= 8(8^n - 2^n) + 8 \cdot 2^n - 2 \cdot 2^n \\ &= 8(6k) + 6(2^n) \quad (\text{by the inductive hypothesis}) \\ &= 6(8k + 2^n), \end{aligned}$$

which is a multiple of 6. Hence, by induction, $8^n - 2^n$ is a multiple of 6 for all integers $n \geq 1$.