

# Solutions of practice midterm:

①  $A \Rightarrow (B \wedge (C \vee D))$

(It can also be argued that correct interpretation is  
 $A \Leftrightarrow (B \wedge (C \vee D))$ )

② ⑧ True. Take  $x=0$ ; then for any  $y$ ,  $xy=0 < 1$

⑨ False. Take  $x=0$ ; then there is no  $y$  which would give  $xy=1$ .

⑩ True. Let  $x>0, y>0$ . Then  $y/x > 0$ .

Choose any positive integer  $n$  such that  $n > y/x$ ; then  $nx > y$ .

(We are using the Archimedean property of real numbers: for any positive real number  $t$ , there exists an integer  $n > t$ . This requires a proof; such a proof can only be given using completeness axiom of  $\mathbb{R}$  and is usually done in analysis class).

③ Proof by induction:

- Base case:  $n=2$ .

then  $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{7}{12} > \frac{13}{24}$

- Induction step

Assume  $a_n > \frac{13}{24}$ .

We need to prove that then,  $a_{n+1} > \frac{13}{24}$

where  ~~$a_n$~~   $a_n = \frac{1}{n+1} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n}$ .

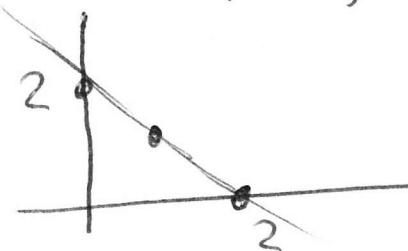
Indeed: 
$$\begin{aligned} a_{n+1} &= \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n+1} + \frac{1}{2n+2} \\ &= a_n - \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{2n+1} + \frac{1}{2n+2} \\ &= a_n + \frac{1}{2n+1} + \frac{1}{2n+2} - \frac{2}{2n+2} \\ &= a_n + \frac{1}{2n+1} - \frac{1}{2n+2} \\ &= a_n + \frac{1}{(2n+1)(2n+2)} > a_n. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $a_{n+1} > a_n$ , so if  $a_n > \frac{13}{24}$ , then

$$a_{n+1} > \frac{13}{24}$$

- ④ ② Yes, it is an equiv. relation.
- Reflexive:  $(x, y) \sim (x, y)$   
 $x+y = x+y$  - true.
  - Symmetric:  $(x_1, y_1) \sim (x_2, y_2) \Leftrightarrow (x_2, y_2) \sim (x_1, y_1)$   
 $(x_1+y_1 = x_2+y_2) \Leftrightarrow (x_2+y_2 = x_1+y_1)$   
true
  - transitive:  $\left. \begin{array}{l} (x_1, y_1) \sim (x_2, y_2) \\ (x_2, y_2) \sim (x_3, y_3) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (x_1, y_1) \sim (x_3, y_3)$   
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1+y_1 = x_2+y_2 \\ x_2+y_2 = x_3+y_3 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow x_1+y_1 = x_3+y_3$   
true by transitivity of equality

$$[(1,1)] = \{(x,y) \mid x+y=2\}$$



③ No. It is not transitive:

$$(0,0) \sim (0,1)$$

$$(0,1) \sim (1,1)$$

but  $(0,0)$  is not equivalent to  $(1,1)$ .

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Left hand side:

$$A - \cup B_i = \{x \mid x \in A \wedge x \notin \cup B_i\}$$

$$= \{x \mid x \in A \wedge (\forall i: x \notin B_i)\}$$

$$\text{Thus, } x \in A - \cup B_i \Leftrightarrow x \in A \wedge (\forall i: x \notin B_i) \quad (1)$$

RHS:

$$x \in \cap (A - B_i) \Leftrightarrow \forall i: x \in (A - B_i)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall i: (x \in A \wedge x \notin B_i) \quad (2)$$

Thus, if  $x \in A - \cup B_i$ , then  $x \in A$  and  $\forall i: x \notin B_i$   
 then ~~for~~: for any  $i$ ,  $(x \in A \wedge x \notin B_i)$  is true.

Conversely, if  $x \in \cap (A - B_i)$ , then

$$\forall i: (x \in A \wedge x \notin B_i)$$

so  $x \in A$ , and for any  $i$ ,  $x \notin B_i$ , so

$$x \in A \wedge (\forall i: (x \notin B_i))$$

$$\text{Thus; } (x \in A - \cup B_i) \Leftrightarrow (x \in \cap (A - B_i))$$

6③ It is bijective: any  $(y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  has a unique preimage:

$$\begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 = y_1 \\ 3x_2 = y_2 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x_1 = y_1 + x_2 = y_1 + \frac{1}{3}y_2 \\ x_2 = \frac{1}{3}y_2 \end{cases}$$

The inverse function is

$$f^{-1}(y_1, y_2) = \left(y_1 + \frac{1}{3}y_2, \frac{1}{3}y_2\right)$$

⑥ As in ②, it is injective, but not surjective:  
 (since equation with integer  $x_2$  has no solutions for  $x_1 = 1$ )

⑦ ① ~~Let~~ Let  $A = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  be the set of all points with integer coordinates.  
 Let  $T$  be the set of all integer triangles. For any triangle, choose an ordering of its vertices. This gives, for any triangle  $t$ , a triple of points  $(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in A \times A \times A$ . This gives injection  $T \rightarrow A \times A \times A$ . Since Cartesian product of ~~two~~ denumerable

Sets is denumerable,  $A$  is denumerable, and so is  $A \times A \times A$ . Since any subset of a denumerable set is finite or denumerable,  $T$  is denumerable.

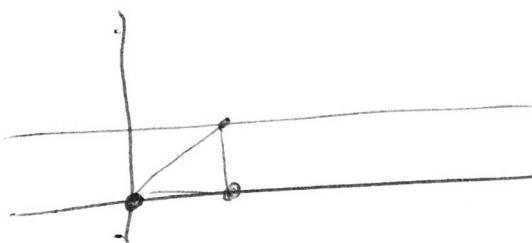
(b) Set of all triangles contains as subset set  $S$  of triangles ~~of the form~~ with vertices

$$(0,0)$$

$$(0,1)$$

$$(1,s)$$

$$s \in \mathbb{R}$$



Thus,  $S$  is in bijection with  $\mathbb{R}$ , so it is not denumerable. Thus, any set which has  $S$  as a subset is not denumerable either.