

Assignment 2

Discrete Mathematics - MTech CS 2018

All the problems marked with (*) are a bit hard and may need ideas not necessarily cover in the class so far. But you are encouraged to try the problems before the solutions are discussed in class.

1. Write the contrapositive of the following statement:

Given a finite family of convex sets C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n in \mathbb{R}^d (where $n \geq d + 1$) such that if the intersection of every $d + 1$ of these sets is non-empty, then the whole collection has a non-empty intersection.

2. Prove that for any positive reals a, b

$$\frac{a + b}{2} \geq \sqrt{ab}.$$

3. Prove that for any positive reals a, b, c, d

$$\frac{a + b + c + d}{4} \geq (abcd)^{1/4}.$$

4. Prove that $\sqrt{2}$ is not rational.

5. Prove that $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$ is not rational.

6. Is the statement $(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \vee (p \wedge \neg q))$ a tautology or a contradiction or none.

Definition: A proposition that is always TRUE is called a tautology. A proposition that is always FALSE is called a contradiction.

7. Prove that there are infinitely many primes of the form $3(\text{mod}4)$.

8. (*) Prove that there are infinitely many primes of the form $1(\text{mod}4)$.

9. Write the opposite of the following statement:

There is an university in USA where every department that has at least 20 faculty has at least one noble laureate.

10. What is the contrapositive of the statement

For all $C, D, E, F \geq 0$ there exists an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n > N$ we have , $C2^n > Dn^8$ and $E(\log n)^4 < F(n^{1/100})$.