

Discrete Mathematics for Computing MAT1348A

Midterm Examination

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Instructions:

- This is an 80-minute *closed-book* exam; no notes are allowed. Calculators (without graphing or programming function) are allowed, but not needed.
- The exam consists of 12 questions on 10 pages. Page 10 is for additional work. *Please do not detach it.*
- Questions 1-4 are multiple-choice. You must enter the letter corresponding to each correct answer in the table preceding Question 1. No partial marks will be given for other work.
- Questions 5-9 are short-answer. You need not show your work if your answer is correct, but may receive partial marks for showing work.
- Questions 10-12 are long-answer. You must clearly show all relevant steps and justify your solution to receive full marks. Clearly indicate the final answer.
- Be sure to read carefully and follow the instructions for the individual problems.
- For rough work, you may use the back pages. Do not use scrap paper of your own.
- Use proper mathematical notation and terminology.
- If you require clarification, raise your hand.
- Good luck!

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First name: _____

Student number: _____

Signature: _____

Question	1 – 4	5 – 9	10	11	12	Total
Max	4×2	$4 \times 2 + 3$	4	5	5	33
Marks						

Questions 1–4 are multiple choice. Enter the **letter** corresponding to each correct answer in the appropriate box below.

Question	1	2	3	4
Answer				

- [2pts] 1. Which of the following statements are **false**?
- (i) The compound proposition $(a \rightarrow b) \vee a$ is a tautology.
 - (ii) The compound propositions $p \rightarrow \neg q$ and $q \rightarrow \neg p$ are logically equivalent.
 - (iii) If p is false, q is false, and r is true, then $(p \wedge q) \vee r$ is true.
 - (iv) The compound propositions $\neg(a \rightarrow \neg b)$ and $a \wedge b$ are logically equivalent.
 - (v) If the set of premises of an argument is inconsistent, then the argument is valid.
- A.** only (iii) **B.** only (iv) **C.** only (i) **D.** (ii) and (v)
E. none **F.** only (ii)

[2pts] 2. Let $S = \{a, b, \{a, \emptyset\}, \{\emptyset\}\}$. Which of the following statements are **false**?

(i) $\{a, \{\emptyset\}\} \subseteq S$

(ii) $\{a, b\} \in S$

(iii) $\{a, \emptyset\} \subseteq S$

(iv) $\{a, \emptyset\} \in S$

(v) $\{\emptyset\} \in S$

A. only (iii)

B. (i) and (iii)

C. only (v)

D. (ii) and (iii)

E. (ii) and (v)

F. only (iv)

[2pts] 3. Which of the following arguments (rules of inference) are **invalid**?

(i)
$$\frac{a \rightarrow b}{\neg b} \quad \therefore \neg a$$

(ii)
$$\frac{a \rightarrow b}{\neg b} \quad \therefore a$$

(iii)
$$\frac{a \vee b}{\neg a \vee c} \quad \therefore b \vee c$$

(iv)
$$\frac{a \vee b}{\neg b} \quad \therefore a$$

(v)
$$\frac{a \vee b}{\neg a \vee c} \quad \therefore b \wedge c$$

(vi)
$$\frac{a \rightarrow b}{\neg a \rightarrow c} \quad \therefore \neg b \rightarrow c$$

A. (ii) and (iii)

B. (i) and (iv)

C. (ii) and (v)

D. (iii), (v), and (vi)

E. only (v)

F. (i) and (v)

[2pts]

4. Below, let A and B be finite sets, and $f : A \rightarrow B$ a function. Furthermore, let $g : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be a function defined by $g(x) = x^2 + 3$.

Which of the following statements are **true**?

- (i) If $|A| < |B|$, then f can not be one-to-one.
- (ii) If $|A| = |B|$, then f is a bijection.
- (iii) If f is onto, then $|A| \geq |B|$.
- (iv) g is one-to one.
- (v) g is onto.

- A.** (iii) and (iv) **B.** (i) and (iii) **C.** (ii) and (iii) **D.** (ii) and (iv)
E. (iv) and (v) **F.** (ii) and (v)

In each of the following five questions, write your final answer in the answer box.

Show your work below the answer box to receive partial marks.

[2pts]

5. Let A and B be finite sets with $|A| = 3$. If the **cardinality of the power set of $A \times B$** is 4096, what is the cardinality of B ?

$|B| =$

[2pts]

6. The truth table of a compound proposition P with atomic propositions x , y , and z is shown below. Give a **disjunctive normal form** of P .

x	y	z	P
T	T	T	F
T	T	F	T
T	F	T	F
T	F	F	T
F	T	T	F
F	T	F	F
F	F	T	F
F	F	F	T

DNF of P :

[2pts]

7. On the Island of Knights and Knaves we meet two inhabitants A and B . Person A says: "B is a knave if and only if I am a knave." What is person B?

Answer: B is a

[2pts] 8. Define the following atomic propositions:

H : "The tiger hides."

F : "The hunt is finished soon."

E : "The hunter is eaten by the tiger."

N : "The hunt is happening at night."

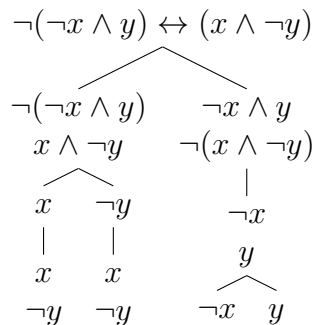
Translate the following sentence into a compound proposition:

The hunt is finished soon and the hunter is not eaten by the tiger only if the tiger hides and the hunt is happening at night.

Compound proposition:

[3pts]

9. Let P be the compound proposition $\neg(\neg x \wedge y) \leftrightarrow (x \wedge \neg y)$. Below is a complete truth tree for P . Answer the questions about P in the answer box below.



P is a contradiction (*circle*): YES NO

If NO, give a counterexample:

P is a tautology (*circle*): YES NO

If NO, give a counterexample:

Give a DNF for P :

10. Let A , B , and C be subsets of the universal set U . Use properties of set operations and set identities to prove the following equality. *You need not name the identities used.*

[4pts]

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

11. Let n be an integer. Give an **indirect proof** of the following theorem.

[5pts] *If $n^2 + 4n - 1$ is odd, then n is even.*

[5pts]

12. Use any method you know to determine whether or not the argument below is valid. If the argument is not valid, give **all counterexamples**. *Fully justify your answer.*

$$\neg(A \leftrightarrow B)$$

$$(A \rightarrow C) \rightarrow \neg B$$

$$\neg(B \vee C)$$

$$\therefore \neg A \wedge \neg B$$

Additional work space. Do not detach this page.