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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 11 questions on 10 pages. Page 10 is for additional work. Please do not detach it.
- Questions 1-6 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 7-11 are long-answer. You must clearly show all relevant steps in 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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Question	1 – 6	7	8	9	10	11	Total
Max	12	3	4	5	4	5	33
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Question	1	2	3	4	5	6
Answer	D	B	F	B	F	B

1. The truth table of a compound proposition p with atomic propositions A , B , and C is as follows:

A	B	C	p
T	T	T	F
T	T	F	F
T	F	T	T
T	F	F	T
F	T	T	F
F	T	F	F
F	F	T	F
F	F	F	T

Only one of the following propositions is a **disjunctive normal form** of p — which one?

- A. $(A \wedge \neg B \wedge \neg C) \vee (\neg A \wedge \neg B \wedge \neg C)$
 B. $\neg A \vee \neg B \vee \neg C$
 C. $(A \vee \neg B \vee C) \wedge (A \vee \neg B \vee \neg C) \wedge (\neg A \vee \neg B \vee \neg C)$
 D. $(A \wedge \neg B \wedge C) \vee (A \wedge \neg B \wedge \neg C) \vee (\neg A \wedge \neg B \wedge \neg C)$
 E. $\neg A \wedge \neg B \wedge \neg C$
 F. $(A \wedge \neg B \wedge C) \vee (A \wedge \neg B \wedge \neg C)$

2. Let S and T be finite sets with $|S| = 2$ and $|T| = 5$. What is the **cardinality of the power set of $S \times T$** ?

- A. 512 (B) 1024 C. 4 D. 10 E. 16 F. 32

$$|S \times T| = |S| \cdot |T| = 2 \cdot 5 = 10$$

$$|\mathcal{P}(S \times T)| = 2^{10} = 1024$$

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

- F (i) The compound propositions $\neg((a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow c)$ and $a \wedge b \wedge \neg c$ are logically equivalent.
 F (ii) The compound proposition $(a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow b$ is a tautology.
 T (iii) If the set of premises of an argument is inconsistent, then the argument is valid.
 T (iv) If X is false, Y is true, and Z is false, then $X \wedge Y \rightarrow Z$ is true.

A. only (iii) B. only (iv) C. only (i) D. only (ii) E. (ii) and (iv)

F. (iii) and (iv)

i) $\neg((a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow c) \equiv \neg(\neg(a \rightarrow b) \vee c) \equiv \neg(\neg(\neg a \vee b) \vee c) \equiv \neg(a \wedge \neg b \vee c) \equiv \neg a \vee b \wedge \neg c$

ii)

a	b	$a \rightarrow b$	$(a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow b$
T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T
F	T	T	T
F	F	T	F

iii) If $\{H_1, \dots, H_n\}$ is inconsistent, then $H_1 \wedge \dots \wedge H_n$ is F and so $H_1 \wedge \dots \wedge H_n \rightarrow C$ is T
 iv) Since $X \wedge Y$ is F, then $X \wedge Y \rightarrow Z$ is T

4. On the Island of Knights and Knaves you meet two inhabitants A and B . Person B says: "A is a knave only if I am a knave." Which of the following statements is **true**?

- (i) A is a knave and B is a knight.
 (ii) A is a knight and B is a knave.
 (iii) A and B are both knights.
 (iv) A and B are both knaves.
 (v) A is a knight but it is impossible to determine what B is.
 (vi) B is a knight but it is impossible to determine what A is.

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

p : " A is a knight" ; q : " B is a knight"

B says: $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$

p	q	$\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$
T	T	T ←
T	F	T
F	T	F
F	F	T

q and $\neg p \rightarrow \neg q$ need to have the same truth value

So, $p: T$: A and B are both knights.
 $q: T$

5. Let $S = \{1, \{2\}, \{1, 2\}, \emptyset\}$. Which of the following statements are **true**?

- F (i) $\{\emptyset\} \in S$ $\{\emptyset\}$ is not an element of S .
 F (ii) $\{\{1\}, \emptyset\} \subseteq S$ $\{1\}$ is not an element of S .
 F (iii) $\{1, \{2\}\} \in S$ $\{1, \{2\}\}$ is not an element of S .
 T (iv) $\{1, \{1, 2\}\} \subseteq S$ $\{1\}$ and $\{1, 2\}$ are both elements of S .
 F (v) $\{1, 2\} \subseteq S$ 2 is not an element of S .
 F (vi) The cardinality of the power set of S is 8. $|S| = 4$ and $|P(S)| = 2^4 = 16$.
- A. (ii) and (iv) B. only (vi) C. (i) and (i)
 D. (iv) and (vi) E. (i) and (v) **F. only (iv)**

6. Which of the following arguments (rules of inference) are **invalid**?

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|--|--|---|
| (i) $\frac{a \rightarrow b}{\neg b} \therefore \neg a$ | (ii) $\frac{a \rightarrow b}{\neg a} \therefore \neg b$ | (iii) $\frac{a \vee b}{\neg a \vee c} \therefore b \vee c$ |
| (iv) $\frac{a \vee b}{\neg b} \therefore a$ | (v) $\frac{a \vee b}{\neg a \vee c} \therefore b \wedge c$ | (vi) $\frac{a \rightarrow b}{\neg a \rightarrow c} \therefore \neg b \rightarrow c$ |

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

- (i) valid (Modus tollens)
 (ii) invalid
 (iii) valid (Resolution)
 (iv) valid (Disjunctive syllogism)
 (v) invalid
 (vi) valid: $a \rightarrow b \equiv \neg b \rightarrow \neg a$ (contrapositive)

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \neg b \rightarrow \neg a \\
 \neg a \rightarrow c \\
 \hline
 \therefore \neg b \rightarrow c
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{valid (Hypothetical syllogism)}$$

3 points

7. Let X , Y , and Z be subsets of the universal set U . Use properties of set operations and set identities to show the following. You need not name the identities used.

$$X - (\bar{Y} \cap Z) = (X \cap Y) \cup (X - Z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} X - (\bar{Y} \cap Z) &= X \cap \overline{(\bar{Y} \cap Z)} && \text{1P} \\ &= X \cap (Y \cup \bar{Z}) && \text{1P} \\ &= (X \cap Y) \cup (X \cap \bar{Z}) && \text{1P} \\ &= (X \cap Y) \cup (X - Z) \end{aligned}$$

4 points

8. Define the following atomic propositions:

 T : "The tiger hides." S : "The hunt is finished soon." D : "The tiger is killed." H : "The hunter is eaten by the tiger." N : "The hunt is happening at night."

Translate each of the following sentences into compound logical propositions using the atomic propositions T , S , D , H , and N as defined above.

- (a) For the hunt to be finished soon, it is necessary that the tiger be killed or the hunter be eaten by the tiger.

1P

$$S \rightarrow D \cup H$$

- (b) The tiger hides only if the hunt is happening at night.

1P

$$T \rightarrow N$$

- (c) For the hunt to be finished soon, it is necessary and sufficient that the hunt be happening at night and the hunter be eaten by the tiger.

1P

$$S \leftrightarrow N \wedge H$$

- (d) If the tiger hides or the hunt is not happening at night, then (the hunt is not finished soon unless the hunter is eaten by the tiger).

1P

$$T \vee \neg N \rightarrow (\neg H \rightarrow \neg S)$$

5 points

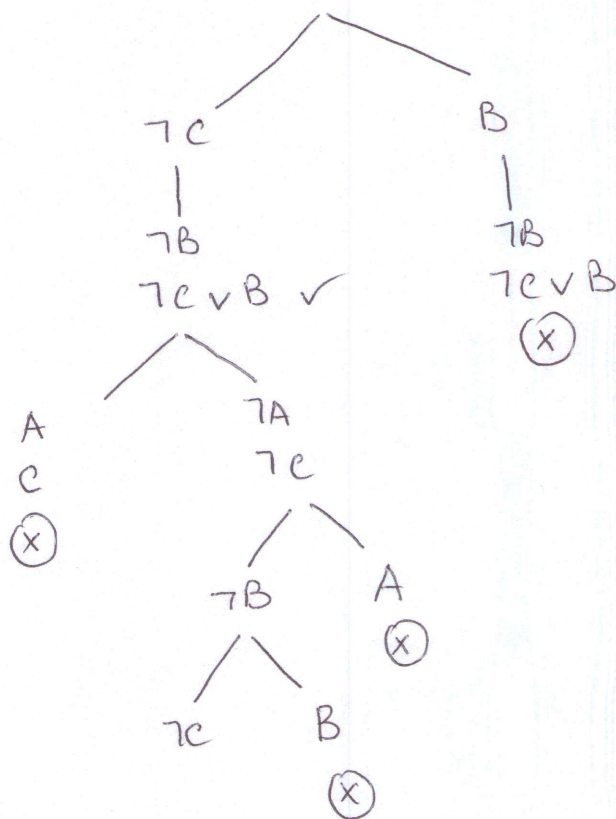
9. Use any method you know to determine whether or not the argument below is valid. If the argument is not valid, give a counterexample.

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 H_1 & \neg(C \wedge \neg B) \\
 H_2 & B \leftrightarrow \neg(C \rightarrow B) \\
 H_3 & A \leftrightarrow C \\
 \hline
 C & \therefore \neg(B \rightarrow A)
 \end{array}$$

Construct a truth tree for

$$H_1 \wedge H_2 \wedge H_3 \wedge \neg C.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \neg(C \wedge \neg B) &\equiv \neg C \vee B \vee \\
 B \leftrightarrow \neg(C \rightarrow B) &\equiv (B \wedge \neg(C \rightarrow B)) \vee (\neg B \wedge (C \rightarrow B)) \\
 &\equiv (B \wedge \neg(\neg C \vee B)) \vee (\neg B \wedge (\neg C \vee B)) \\
 &\equiv (B \wedge C \wedge \neg B) \vee (\neg B \wedge (\neg C \vee B)) \\
 &\equiv F \vee (\neg B \wedge (\neg C \vee B)) \\
 &\equiv \neg B \wedge (\neg C \vee B) \vee \\
 \checkmark (A \wedge C) \vee (\neg A \wedge \neg C) &\equiv A \leftrightarrow C \\
 \checkmark \neg B \vee A &\equiv \neg(\neg B \rightarrow A)
 \end{aligned}$$



4p (1p for the root of the tree)

Since there exists a complete active path, the argument is not valid.

1p
Counterexample: A is F, B is F and C is F.

(verify that H_1, H_2 and H_3 are all T, but C is F)
you can

4 points 10. Let n be an integer. Give an **indirect proof** of the following theorem.

If $n^2 + 2n + 3$ is an odd integer, then n is an even integer.

1P { Propositional variables:
 p : " $n^2 + 2n + 3$ is odd"
 q : " n is even"
 Theorem: $p \rightarrow q$.

1P Indirect proof: Assume $\neg q$ is true and prove $\neg p$ is true.

Assume ~~q~~ n is odd. There exists $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that
 $n = 2k + 1$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 + 2n + 3 &= (2k+1)^2 + 2(2k+1) + 3 \\ &= 4k^2 + 4k + 1 + 4k + 2 + 3 \\ &= 4k^2 + 8k + 6 \\ &= 2(2k^2 + 4k + 3) \end{aligned}$$

Denote $m = 2k^2 + 4k + 3 \in \mathbb{Z}$ since $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

1P So, $n^2 + 2n + 3 = 2m$ and hence, $\neg p$ is true.

(Only the mathematical solution is required so do not deduct points for not using propositional variables or ~~and~~ writing the proof strategy)

5 points

11. Is the function $F: \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ defined by

$$F(x, y) = (-2y, x + y)$$

(a) one-to-one?

(b) onto?

(c) a bijection?

Fully justify your answer.

(a) F is one to one if, for $(x_1, y_1) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ and $(x_2, y_2) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$.

1P $F(x_1, y_1) = F(x_2, y_2) \longrightarrow (x_1, y_1) = (x_2, y_2)$ is true

$$F(x_1, y_1) = F(x_2, y_2) \text{ means } (-2y_1, x_1 + y_1) = (-2y_2, x_2 + y_2)$$

$$\text{So, } -2y_1 = -2y_2 \Rightarrow y_1 = y_2 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2.$$

$$x_1 + y_2 = x_2 + y_2$$

1P Therefore $(x_1, y_1) = (x_2, y_2)$

 F is one-to-one(b) F is onto if, for every $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$, the equation

1P $F(x, y) = (a, b)$ has at least one solution $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$.

let $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ arbitrarily fixed. Then $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $b \in \mathbb{Z}$.Consider: $F(x, y) = (a, b)$. Then $(-2y, x + y) = (a, b)$ and so

$$\begin{cases} -2y = a \leadsto y = -\frac{a}{2} \\ x + y = b \leadsto x = b + \frac{a}{2} \end{cases}$$

Take $a = 1$ and $b = 1$. Then $(a, b) = (1, 1) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$. However,

1P the equation $F(x, y) = (1, 1)$ has no solutions in $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$. ($x = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ and $y = -\frac{1}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}$).

So, F is not onto.

1P (c) F is not a bijection since F is not onto.

Additional work space. Do not detach this page.