

MAT 1348 3X – Test # 2 – Spring/Summer 2016

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Question	Possible Points	Points Obtained
# 1	5	
# 2	5	
# 3	5	
# 4	5	
# 5	5	
Total	25	

Instructions:

- Print your name and student number on the first two pages.
- Verify that your copy of the test has all of its 9 pages.
- You must answer all questions. There are 5 questions for a total of 25 points.
- Write the solutions to the questions in the space provided. You may use the back of the pages if necessary.
- This a closed book test, no course notes are permitted.
- Calculators are permitted.

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1. (5 pts) Give an **indirect proof** for the following theorem:

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

Solution:

- Suppose n is an even integer.
- Hence, by definition there exists some integer k such that $n = 2k$.
- Hence,

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

- Since $n^2 + n = 2(2k^2 + k)$, where $2k^2 + k$ is some integer, we have shown that $n^2 + n$ is even.
- Thus, by a proof by contraposition, we have proven the theorem.

2. (5 pts) Give a **proof by cases** for the following theorem:

$$|x + 2| + |x - 4| \geq 6 \text{ for all real numbers } x.$$

Solution:

- There are four cases to consider in this scenario.
 - (a) $x + 2 \geq 0$ and $x - 4 \geq 0$, this implies that $x \geq -2$ and $x \geq 4$. Hence, this case requires that $x \geq 4$.
 - (b) $x + 2 \geq 0$ and $x - 4 < 0$, this implies that $x \geq -2$ and $x < 4$. Hence, this case requires that $-2 \leq x < 4$.
 - (c) $x + 2 < 0$ and $x - 4 \geq 0$, this implies that $x < -2$ and $x \geq 4$. Hence, this case is impossible to satisfy.
 - (d) $x + 2 < 0$ and $x - 4 < 0$, this implies that $x < -2$ and $x < 4$. Hence, this case requires that $x < -2$.
- For each of the possible cases above we show that the inequality holds.
 - (a) Consider $x \geq 4$. LHS: $|x + 2| + |x - 4| = (x + 2) + (x - 4) = 2x - 2 \geq 2(4) - 2 = 6$:RHS
 - (b) Consider $-2 \leq x < 4$. LHS: $|x + 2| + |x - 4| = (x + 2) - (x - 4) = 6$:RHS
 - (c) Impossible case to satisfy.
 - (d) Consider $x < -2$, in which case $-2x > 4$. LHS: $|x + 2| + |x - 4| = -(x + 2) - (x - 4) = -2x + 6 > 4 + 6 > 6$:RHS
- Since the theorem holds for each case, and each case covers all the possible values of x , we have proven the theorem by cases.

3. (5 pts) Use the principle of mathematical induction to prove that $2^{2n} - 1$ is divisible by 3 for all integers $n \geq 0$.

Solution:

- Let $P(n)$ be the statement: $2^{2n} - 1$ is divisible by 3.

Basis Step:

- Since we wish to prove $P(n)$ for all integers $n \geq 0$, we show that $P(0)$ is true.
- Since $2^{2(0)} - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0 = 3 \cdot 0$, we have shown that $P(0)$ is true.
- This completes the basis step.

Inductive Step:

- Suppose that for some arbitrary integer k , $k \geq 0$, that $P(k)$ is true. I.e. $2^{2k} - 1$ is divisible by 3.
- Thus if $n = k + 1$ we have that

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{2(k+1)} - 1 &= 2^{2k+2} - 1 \\ &= 4 \cdot 2^{2k} - 1 \\ &= 3 \cdot 2^{2k} + (2^{2k} - 1) \end{aligned}$$

- Since the first term in the sum is a multiple of 3, the second term is divisible by 3 by the I.H., and that the sum of integers divisible by 3 is divisible by 3, we have shown $P(k + 1)$ is true.
 - This completes the Inductive Step.
- By the principle of mathematical induction we have proved the theorem.

4. (5 pts) Let $A = \{1, \{1\}, \{1, 2\}, 3\}$. For each of the following statements, indicate if it is true or false. (**You do not have to justify your answer for this question**).

- (a) $\{1, \{1\}\} \subseteq A$
- (b) $\{2, \{1, 2\}\} \subseteq A$
- (c) $\{1, 2\} \in P(A)$ where $P(A)$ is the powerset of A .
- (d) The cardinality of the powerset of A is 16.
- (e) $\{1, 2\} \in A$.

Solution:

- (a) T
- (b) F
- (c) F
- (d) T
- (e) T

5. (**5 pts**) Let U be the universal set and A , B , and C be three subsets of U . Use the properties of set operations to show that

$$C - (\bar{A} \cap B) = (C \cap A) \cup (C - B).$$

Solution:

(a) Using set-builder notation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C - (\bar{A} \cap B) &= \{x \in U \mid x \in C - (\bar{A} \cap B)\} \\
 &= \{x \in U \mid x \in C \wedge x \notin (\bar{A} \cap B)\} \\
 &= \{x \in U \mid x \in C \wedge \neg(x \in (\bar{A} \cap B))\} \\
 &= \{x \in U \mid x \in C \wedge \neg(x \in (\bar{A} \wedge x \in B))\} \\
 &= \{x \in U \mid x \in C \wedge (x \notin \bar{A} \vee x \notin B)\} \\
 &= \{x \in U \mid (x \in C \wedge x \notin \bar{A}) \vee (x \in C \wedge x \notin B)\} \\
 &= \{x \in U \mid (x \in C \wedge x \in A) \vee (x \in C \wedge x \notin B)\} \\
 &= \{x \in U \mid x \in (C \cap A) \vee x \in (C - B)\} \\
 &= \{x \in U \mid x \in ((C \cap A) \cup (C - B))\} \\
 &= (C \cap A) \cup (C - B)
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Using algebraic manipulation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C - (\bar{A} \cap B) &= C \cap \overline{(\bar{A} \cap B)} \text{ (by definition of the difference operation)} \\
 &= C \cap ((\bar{\bar{A}}) \cup \bar{B}) \text{ (by De Morgan's laws)} \\
 &= C \cap (A \cup \bar{B}) \text{ (by complementation law)} \\
 &= (C \cap A) \cup (C \cap \bar{B}) \text{ (by distributive laws)} \\
 &= (C \cap A) \cup (C - B) \text{ (by definition of the difference operation)}
 \end{aligned}$$

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