

## Math 374

## Test 1

Name: Key

(1) (6 pts) Verify that the following is a tautology using a truth table.

$$(A \vee B) \wedge A' \rightarrow B$$

A	B	$A'$	$(A \vee B)$	$(A \vee B) \wedge A'$	$(A \vee B) \wedge A' \rightarrow B$
T	T	F	T	F	T
T	F	F	T	F	T
F	T	T	T	T	T
F	F	T	F	F	T

(2) (6 pts) Construct a proof sequence for the following argument.

$$(A' \rightarrow B') \wedge B \wedge (A \rightarrow C) \rightarrow C$$

- 1)  $A' \rightarrow B'$  hyp
- 2)  $B$  hyp
- 3)  $A \rightarrow C$  hyp
- 4)  $A$  MT, 1, 2
- 5)  $C$  MP; 3, 4

- (3) (4 pts) The following argument is *not* valid. Give an interpretation that demonstrates this.

$$(\forall x)[(\exists y)P(x, y) \wedge (\exists y)Q(x, y)] \rightarrow (\forall x)(\exists y)[P(x, y) \wedge Q(x, y)]$$

Let Domain be The integers,  $P(x, y)$  say  $y < x$ ,  
 $Q(x, y)$  say  $y > x$ .

LHS says "for any integer There is one that's smaller and one that's larger." which is true. The RHS says "for every integer There is a single number that is larger and smaller than the first one".

- (4) (7 pts) Construct a proof sequence for the following argument (this statement is the converse of the previous statement).

$$(\forall x)(\exists y)[P(x, y) \wedge Q(x, y)] \rightarrow (\forall x)[(\exists y)P(x, y) \wedge (\exists y)Q(x, y)]$$

7.3.3  
False

Revised

(5) (7 pts) Verify the correctness of the following program with given precondition and postcondition.

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{y = 0}
if y < 5 then
    y = y + 1
else
    y = 5
end if
{y = 1}
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Need to check

1)

$$\{y = 0 \wedge y < 5\}$$

$$y = y + 1$$

$$\{y = 1\}$$

ad

2)

$$\{y = 0 \wedge y \geq 5\}$$

$$y = 5$$

$$\{y = 1\}$$

By assignment, we get

$$\{y + 1 = 1\}$$

$$y = y + 1$$

$$\{y = 1\}$$

The top says  $\{y = 0\}$

which is equivalent

to

$$\{y = 0 \wedge y < 5\}$$

This is true because the  
precondition is always  
false.

(6) (10 pts) Prove ONE of the following three statements.

- (a) If  $x$  is a rational number, then  $\sqrt{2} + x$  is an irrational number. (Hint: Contradiction, using the fact that  $\sqrt{2}$  is irrational.)
- (b) If  $x \neq y$  and  $a \neq 0$ , then  $\frac{x}{y} \neq \frac{x+a}{y+a}$ . (Hint: Contrapositive.)
- (c) If two integers are each divisible by an integer  $n$ , then the sum of the two integers is divisible by  $n$ .

a) Suppose that  $\sqrt{2} + x$  is rational. Then we can write

$$\sqrt{2} + \frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} \quad \text{where } a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}, \text{ since } x \text{ is also rational. Then}$$

$$\sqrt{2} = \frac{c}{d} - \frac{a}{b} = \frac{cb - ad}{db}.$$

This says that  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational, which is a contradiction.  
Thus  $\sqrt{2} + x$  must be irrational.

b) We prove the contrapositive, that if  $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{x+a}{y+a}$ ,

Then  $x=y$  or  $a=0$ .

Since  $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{x+a}{y+a}$ , we know that  $x(y+a) = y(x+a)$   
rearranging, this says  $(x-y)a = 0$  Hence

$x=y$ , or  $a=0$ .

c) Let  $a, b$  each be divisible by  $n$ . Then we can write  
 $a = nk$ ,  $b = nl$  for integers  $k, l$ .

Then  $a+b = n(k+l)$ , which says that  
 $a+b$  is divisible by  $n$  also.

(7) (10 pts) Prove ONE of the following two statements using mathematical induction.

- (a) For all  $n \geq 4$ , we have  $3^n > n^3$ .
- (b) For all  $n \geq 1$ , we have  $3 \mid (4^n - 1)$ .

a) Base Case  $n=4$   
Note That  $3^4 = 81 > 64 = 4^3$ .

Inductive Step Let  $k \geq 4$ , and assume  $3^k > k^3$ .

Then  $3^{k+1} = 3 \cdot 3^k$   
 $> 3k^3$  by induction  
 $\geq k^3 + 8k^2$  (since  $k \geq 4$ )  
 $\geq k^3 + 3k^2 + 3k + 1$  (since  $k \geq 4$ )  
 $= (k+1)^3$ .

Hence The induction holds, and The statement is proven.

b) Base Case  $n=1$ .

$$\cancel{3-3+1} = \cancel{4^1}-1 = 3 = 3 \cdot 1$$

So 3 divides  $4^1 - 1$ .

Inductive Step. Let  $k \geq 1$ , and assume  $3 \mid (4^k - 1)$ .

Then  $4^{k+1} - 1 = 4 \cdot \cancel{4^k} - 1$   
 $= 4(4^k - 1) + 3$ .  
 $= 4 \cdot (3q) + 3$  by induction,  
for some  $q$ .  
 $= 3(4q + 1)$ .

Hence The induction holds, and The statement is true.