

**Birzeit University**  
**Department of Mathematics**  
**math 243**

First hour exam  
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Question# 1 (12%) Consider the following statement "If  $ab = 0$  then  $a=0$  or  $b=0$ "

a) Write the converse of this statement

If  $a=0$  or  $b=0$  then  $ab=0$

b) Write the contrapositive of this statement

If  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$  then  $ab \neq 0$

c) Write the negation of this statement

$ab = 0$  and  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$

d) Prove this statement by using the direct proof

Suppose  $ab = 0$  then

if  $a = 0$  then there is nothing to prove

if  $a \neq 0$  then  $\frac{1}{a} \neq 0$  and  $\frac{1}{a}(ab) = \frac{1}{a} \cdot 0$  so  $b = 0$ .

Question # 2 (9%): Let  $A = \{\{2\}, 5\}$ ,  $B = \{5, 6, 2\}$ ,  $C = \{5, 2, 7\}$ , find

a)  $A \cap B = \{5\}$

b)  $A - C = \{\{2\}\}$

c)  $P(A) = \{\emptyset, \{\{2\}\}, \{5\}, \{\{2\}, 5\}\}$

- Question #3(24%): Which of the following statements is true and which is false? Justify your answer
- 1)..... If  $x \in A$ , and  $A \in B$  then  $x \in B$

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Example:  $A = \{x\}$ ,  $B = \{\{x\}\}$

2).....  $(\exists x \in \mathbb{Z})(\forall y \in \mathbb{Z})(x < y^2)$

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Proof: Take  $x = -1$ .

3)..... If  $A \cap B = A \cap C$  then  $B = C$

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Example:  $A = \{1, 2\}$ ,  $B = \{2, 5\}$ ,  $C = \{2, 7\}$

4)..... If  $B \subset A$  then  $A - B \neq \emptyset$

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Proof:  $B \subset A$  implies  $\exists x \in A, x \notin B$ .

$$\Rightarrow x \in A - B$$

$$\Rightarrow A - B \neq \emptyset$$

$$5) (\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^+) (\exists n \in \mathbb{N}) \left( \frac{1}{n} < x \right)$$

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Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , then if  $x > 1$  take  $n = 2$   
then  $\frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{2} < x$ .

But if  $0 < x < 1$  then, there is  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$   
such that  $1 < nx$ ,  $n = \lceil \frac{1}{x} \rceil$  say. (least  
integer greater than or equal to  $\frac{1}{x}$ ).  
and then  $\frac{1}{n} < x$ .

$$6) \dots \dots \dots (\forall x \in \mathbb{R})(\forall y \in \mathbb{R})(\exists z \in \mathbb{R})(z > x + y)$$

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Let  $x, y$  be given then take  $z = x + y + 1$ .

Question # 4 (21%): Prove the following

a) For any sets  $A, B, C$ . Prove that if  $C \subseteq A \cup B$  and  $B \cap C = \emptyset$  then  $C \subseteq A$

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in C &\Rightarrow x \in A \quad \text{or} \quad x \in B \\ &\Rightarrow x \in A \quad \text{since } B \cap C = \emptyset. \end{aligned}$$

b) For any sets  $A, B$  If  $\rho(A) \subseteq \rho(B)$  then  $A \subseteq B$

Two proofs:

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad A \in \rho(A) &\Rightarrow A \in \rho(\rho(B)) \quad (\text{since } \rho(A) \subseteq \rho(\rho(B))) \\ &\Rightarrow A \subseteq B. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad \text{let } x \in A &\Rightarrow \{x\} \in \rho(A) \Rightarrow \{x\} \in \rho(\rho(B)) \Rightarrow x \in B \\ &\text{so } A \subseteq B. \end{aligned}$$

c) if  $x$  and  $y \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x \neq 0$  and  $y \neq 0$  then  $x^2 + xy + y^2 > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{let } x, y \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow x^2 + xy + y^2 &= x^2 + xy + \frac{1}{4}y^2 + \frac{3}{4}y^2 \\ &\stackrel{x, y \neq 0}{=} (x + \frac{1}{2}y)^2 + \frac{3}{4}y^2 \end{aligned}$$

$> 0$

since  $(x + \frac{1}{2}y)^2 \geq 0$  and  $\frac{3}{4}y^2 > 0$ .

Question #5 (20%) for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  let

$$A_k = \left(-\frac{1}{k}, 2 + \frac{1}{k}\right], \quad B = (-2, 5) \text{ find}$$

$$a) \quad \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k = \left[-1, 3\right]$$

$$b) \quad \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k = [0, 2]$$

$$c) \quad \left(\bigcup_{k=10}^{\infty} \overline{A_k}\right) = \mathbb{R} - [0, 2]$$

$$d) \quad \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} B \cap A_k\right) = \left[-1, 3\right]$$