

- (6pts) 1. For each of the following statements, write the converse, contrapositive, and the negation.

(a)  $\exists x \forall y (x \geq 2y \rightarrow x > y + 1)$

**Solution:** Converse:  $\exists x \forall y (x > y + 1 \rightarrow x \geq 2y)$  Contrapositive:  $\exists x \forall y (x \leq y + 1 \rightarrow x < 2y)$   
 Negation:  $\forall x \exists y (x \geq 2y \wedge x \leq y + 1)$

- (b) For all integers  $a$  and  $b$ , if  $a$  is even and  $b$  is odd, then  $a + b$  is odd.

**Solution:** Converse: For all integers  $a$  and  $b$ , if  $a + b$  is odd, then  $a$  is even and  $b$  is odd.  
 Contrapositive: For all integers  $a$  and  $b$ , if  $a + b$  is not odd, then  $a$  is not even or  $b$  is not odd.  
 Negation: There are integers  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $a$  is even and  $b$  is odd, but  $a + b$  is not odd.

- (5pts) 2. Prove the statement: For all integers  $n$ , if  $5n$  is odd, then  $n$  is odd. Clearly state the style of proof you are using.

**Solution:** We will prove the contrapositive: if  $n$  is even, then  $5n$  is even.

*Proof.* Let  $n$  be an arbitrary integer, and suppose  $n$  is even. Then  $n = 2k$  for some integer  $k$ . Thus  $5n = 5 \cdot 2k = 10k = 2(5k)$ . Since  $5k$  is an integer, we see that  $5n$  must be even. This completes the proof.  $\square$

- (5pts) 3. Prove the statement: For all integers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ , if  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ , then  $a$  or  $b$  is even. Hint: try a proof by contradiction.

**Solution:**

*Proof.* Suppose, contrary to stipulation, that there are integers  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  such that  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$  but  $a$  and  $b$  are both odd. Then  $a = 2k + 1$  and  $b = 2j + 1$  for some integers  $k$  and  $j$ . We then have

$$a^2 + b^2 = (2k + 1)^2 + (2j + 1)^2 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1 + 4j^2 + 4j + 1 = 4(k^2 + j^2 + k + j) + 2$$

So  $c^2 = 4(k^2 + j^2 + k + j) + 2$ . This means that  $c^2$  is even, which can only happen if  $c$  is even. But then  $c^2$  must be a multiple of 4. However, this is a contradiction because  $4(k^2 + j^2 + k + j) + 2$  is not a multiple of 4.  $\square$

- (4pts) 4. Order matters with quantifiers! Sometimes.

- (a) Find a formula  $\varphi$  such that  $\forall x \exists y \varphi$  is true but  $\exists y \forall x \varphi$  is false.

**Solution:** There are many examples, but for instance  $\varphi$  could be  $x < y$ . It is true that for every  $x$  there is a  $y$  greater than it. However, there is not a  $y$  greater than every  $x$

- (b) Explain why you cannot find a formula  $\psi$  such that  $\forall x \exists y \psi$  is false but  $\exists y \forall x \psi$  is true.

**Solution:** Let's say  $\exists y \forall x \psi$  is true. That means you can pick a  $y$  such that no matter what  $x$  is picked,  $\psi$  holds. Now say you pick that same  $y$  but keep it secret. Now you pick any  $x$  you like, and then reveal your previously selected  $y$ . Since you picked the same  $y$  as before,  $\forall x \exists y \psi$  will also be true.