Mock Midterm CS/MATH 113 Discrete Mathematics

Duration: 75 mins

There are 4 questions. All questions carry equal weight.

1. Propositional Logic

(a) Prove that for all propositions p_i , if

$$(p_1 \rightarrow p_2) \land (p_2 \rightarrow p_3)$$

then

$$p_1 \to (p_1 \land p_2 \land p_3)$$

(b) Prove that for all propositions p_i , if

$$(p_1 \rightarrow p_2) \land (p_2 \rightarrow p_3) \land (p_3 \rightarrow p_4) \land \dots \land (p_{n-1} \rightarrow p_n)$$

then

$$p_1 \rightarrow (p_1 \wedge p_2 \wedge p_3 \wedge p_4 \wedge ... \wedge p_n)$$

Hint: You might have to use a different proof strategy this time.

2. Predicate Logic

(a) Disprove that

$$(\exists x P(x) \land \exists x Q(x)) \to \exists x (P(x) \land Q(x))$$

(b) Prove that

$$\exists x (P(x) \land Q(x)) \rightarrow (\exists x P(x) \land \exists x Q(x))$$

(c) Prove or disprove that

$$(\exists x P(x) \land \exists x Q(x)) \iff \exists x (P(x) \land Q(x))$$

3. Sets

- (a) Draw a standard Venn Diagram with sets A,B and C and shade $(B\cup A)\cap (\overline{C}\cup \overline{B})\cap (B\cup C)$.
- (b) Prove, without using a membership table or Venn Diagram, that

$$(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap \overline{B}) = A$$

4. Functions

(a) Suppose that A is a finite set with a bijection: $A \to A \times A$. Calculate |A|.

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- (b) State whether or not the function $f: \mathbb{N} \to \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid n \geq 1\}$ defined by

$$f(0) = 1$$

$$f(n+1) = \begin{cases} f(n)/2 & \text{if } f(n) \text{ is even} \\ 9f(n) + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is surjective. Prove your claim.