

NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

MIDTERM I (CA1)

MH1812 – Discrete Mathematics

February 2018

TIME ALLOWED: 40 minutes

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. **DO NOT TURN OVER PAPER UNTIL INSTRUCTED.**
2. This midterm paper contains **THREE (3)** questions.
3. Answer **ALL** questions. The marks for each question are indicated at the beginning of each question.
4. Candidates can write anywhere on this midterm paper.
5. This **IS NOT** an **OPEN BOOK** exam.
6. Candidates should clearly explain their reasoning when answering each question.

**QUESTION 1.****(40 marks)**

- (a) (10 marks) Which integer  $a \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  satisfies  $a \equiv 2^{2018} \pmod{4}$ ?
- (b) (10 marks) Wednesday is two days after Monday. What day of the week is it 500 days after Tuesday?
- (c) Decide whether or not the set  $S$  is closed under the operation  $\Delta$  when
- $S = \{\text{odd integers}\}$  and  $\Delta$  is addition. (10 marks)
  - $S = \{\text{even integers}\}$  and  $\Delta$  is division. (10 marks)

Briefly justify your answers.

**QUESTION 2.****(40 marks)**

- (a) (20 marks) Prove or disprove the following statement:

$$(p \vee r) \rightarrow (p \wedge q) \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (r \rightarrow q).$$

- (b) (20 marks) Decide whether or not the following argument is valid:

$$\begin{array}{l} p \vee q; \\ \neg p \rightarrow r; \\ \neg q \rightarrow r; \\ r \vee p; \\ \therefore r \end{array}$$

Briefly justify your answers.

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**QUESTION 3.****(20 marks)**

- (a) (10 marks) Consider the domain  $\mathbb{Q} = \{\text{rational numbers}\}$  and the predicate  $P(x, y) = "xy \text{ is an integer}"$ .

Determine the truth value of the statement:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{Q}, \exists y \in \mathbb{Q}, P(x, y).$$

- (b) (10 marks) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be domains, and let  $P(x)$  and  $Q(y)$  be predicates. Which of the following statements is the *negation* of the statement:

$$\forall y \in Y, \exists x \in X, P(x) \rightarrow Q(y)?$$

- (i)  $\forall y \in Y, \exists x \in X, \neg P(x) \wedge Q(y);$
- (ii)  $\exists y \in Y, \exists x \in X, \neg P(x) \vee Q(y);$
- (iii)  $\exists y \in Y, \forall x \in X, P(x) \wedge \neg Q(y);$
- (iv)  $\exists y \in Y, \forall x \in X, \neg P(x) \wedge \neg Q(y).$

Briefly justify your answers.

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