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Midterm 1, Version 2  
CSC165H1S

Date: Friday February 10, 12:10-1:00pm

Duration: 50 minutes

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No Aids Allowed

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Please read the following guidelines carefully!

- Please write your name on both the front and back of this exam.
  - This examination has 4 questions. There are a total of 8 pages, **DOUBLE-SIDED**.
  - Answer questions clearly and completely, with justifications unless explicitly asked not to.
  - Unless stated otherwise, your formulas can use *only* the propositional connectives and quantifiers we have seen in class, arithmetic operators (like  $+$ ,  $\times$ , and exponentiation), comparison operators (like  $=$  and  $>$ ), and the divisibility and *Prime* predicates. You may not define your own sets or predicates unless asked to do so.
  - All formulas must have negations applied directly to propositional variables or predicates (e.g.,  $\neg \text{Prime}(n)$ ). You do *not* need to show your work for computing negations.
  - In your proofs, you may always use definitions of predicates. You may *not* use any external facts about rates of growth, divisibility, primes, or greatest common divisor unless you prove them, or they are given to you in the question.
  - You may **not** use induction for your proofs on this midterm.
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Take a deep breath.

This is your chance to show us

How much you've learned.

We **WANT** to give you the credit

That you've earned.

A number does not define you.

Good luck!

1. [6 marks] **Statements in logic.**

- (a) [3 marks] Write the truth table for the following formula. No rough work is required.

$$((p \Leftrightarrow q) \wedge r) \Rightarrow \neg r$$

**Hint:** use vacuous truth to quickly find some rows where the formula is true.

- (b) [3 marks] Consider the pair of statements:

$$(1) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n) \Rightarrow Q(n)$$

$$(2) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n) \Leftrightarrow Q(n)$$

Define the predicates  $P$  and  $Q$  with domain  $\mathbb{N}$  so that one of these statements is true and the other one false. Note that you're only defining the predicates *once*: the two statements must use the same definitions for  $P$  and  $Q$ .

Also, briefly explain which statement is true and which one is false, and why; no formal proofs necessary.

2. [7 marks] **Translating statements.**

A **semiprime** is a natural number that can be written as the product of two (possibly equal) prime numbers. For example,  $6 = 2 \cdot 3$  and  $49 = 7 \cdot 7$  are semiprimes.

Express each of the following statements using predicate logic. No justification is required.

Note: please review the instructions on the midterm's front page for our expectations in this question. In particular, you may *not* define any helper predicates or sets.

(a) There is a semiprime greater than 165.

(b) There are no semiprimes.

**Hint:** it may be easier to first express the negation of this statement.

3. [6 marks] **Proofs (inequalities)**. Consider the following statement: “For every real number  $x$  greater than or equal to 3,  $x^3 - x^2 - 10 > 2x$ .”

(a) [1 mark] Translate the above statement into predicate logic.

- (b) [5 marks] Prove the above statement. In your proof, any chains of calculations must follow a top-down order; don't start with the inequality you're trying to prove!

**Hint:** try starting with the expression  $x^3 - x^2 - 2x$  and factor.

Write any rough work or intuition in the **Discussion** box, and write your formal proof in the **Proof** box. Your rough work/intuition will only be graded if your proof is not completely correct.

*Discussion.*

*Proof.*

4. [5 marks] **Proofs (number theory)**. Consider the following statement: “There exists a positive integer  $x$  such that for every integer  $y$ , if  $y \neq 0$  then  $x \nmid x + y$ .”

(a) [1 mark] Translate the above statement into predicate logic. Use  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  to represent the set of positive integers, and  $\mathbb{Z}$  to represent the set of integers.

(b) [1 mark] Write the negation of this statement, fully-simplified so that all negation symbols are applied directly to predicates.

(c) [3 marks] Disprove the original statement by proving its negation, using the definition of divisibility:

$$x \mid y : \exists k \in \mathbb{Z}, y = kx$$

Do not use any external facts about divisibility.

Write any rough work or intuition in the **Discussion** box, and write your formal proof in the **Proof** box. Your rough work/intuition will only be looked at if your proof is not completely correct.

*Discussion.*

*Proof.*

Use this page for rough work. If you want work on this page to be marked, please indicate this clearly *at the location of the original question*.

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Question	Grade	Out of
Q1		6
Q2		7
Q3		6
Q4		5
<b>Total</b>		24