

- Answer ALL questions. Each question carries 20 marks. Write all the solutions and answers on the answer sheet provided.
- You must write your answers using the notations introduced in classes.
- Unless otherwise specified, show your steps clearly for all questions.
- Write your answers neatly. Unclear answers will not be marked.
- You may use the facts and theorems introduced in the lecture notes. All other facts/theorems that are not covered must be rigorously proved before being used.
- All answers are to be exact.

Submission guidelines

- Submit your work to the 'SEHH2241 Individual Assignment One Submission Platform' in the centralized Blackboard page. Email / late / computer-typed submissions and re-submissions are NOT accepted.
- Submit your work online some time ahead of the deadline. Late submissions due to slow internet speed, for instance, will NOT be accepted.
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- The maximum submission size is 20 MB.

IMPORTANT Each student is required to complete this assignment individually using his / her student ID number. The method is shown below.

R = the 8th digit of your student ID

Example: If your ID number is 23456789A, then $R = 9$.

Question 1

- (a) Write a truth table for the statement below. Then, determine whether the statement is a tautology, contradiction or contingency. You are required to complete the three main connective columns of the truth table in the answer sheet.

$$[(\sim r \wedge q) \leftrightarrow \sim p] \oplus \sim [r \rightarrow (p \vee \sim q)]$$

- (b) Prove the following statement by logical rules:

$$(p \wedge q) \leftrightarrow p \equiv \sim p \vee q$$

Question 2

- (a) Let $A = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$, $B = \{5, 8, R + 9\}$ and $C = \{2, 5, 6, 8\}$. Find the following. (NOTE: In this question, you are required to write down the answers only. **No steps are required for this question.**)

- (i) $(B \times A \times C) \cap (B \times C \times A)$
- (ii) $|P(A \times (B \cup C) \times C)|$
- (iii) $P(B) \cap P(C)$
- (iv) $P(A \cap C) \cup \{\{\emptyset\}\}$

- (b) Let S , T , U and V be sets.

- (i) Prove that $(S \times T) \cap (U \times V) = (S \cap U) \times (T \cap V)$.
- (ii) Use the result of (b)(i) to deduce that $S \times (T \cap U) = (S \times T) \cap (S \times U)$.

Question 3

- (a) Let n be an integer. Prove by contraposition that if $n - 3$ is divisible by 4, then n is not a square.
- (b) Use the method of contradiction to show that there exists no rational number x for which $x^7 + x^2 + 1071 = 0$.

Question 4

(a) Use mathematical induction to prove the following.

(i) $(3n + 1)7^n - 1$ is divisible by 9 for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

(ii) $\frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{2n} \geq \frac{7}{12}$ for all integers $n \geq 2$.

(b) Find all the fallacy(ies), if any, in the following 'proof' that $2241 = 2242$.

Let $P(n)$: If a and b are natural numbers such that $\max(\{a, b\}) = n$, then $a = b$. We are to 'prove' that $P(n)$ holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ by mathematical induction.

Basis step: Let a and b be natural numbers such that $\max(\{a, b\}) = 0$. Then $a \leq 0$ and $b \leq 0$. Since $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$, it follows that $a = b = 0$. Thus, $P(0)$ is true.

Inductive step: Suppose that $P(k)$ holds for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Let a and b be natural numbers such that $\max(\{a, b\}) = k + 1$. Back-tracking one step from a and b yields $\max(\{a - 1, b - 1\}) = k$. Applying the induction assumption that $P(k)$ holds, we obtain $a - 1 = b - 1$, i.e., $a = b$. Hence $P(k + 1)$ also holds.

By the principle of mathematical induction, $P(n)$ holds for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

In particular, since $\max(\{2241, 2242\}) = 2242$ and $P(2242)$ is true, we have $2241 = 2242$.

Question 5

For each of the given functions, explain your answers for the following.

(i) Is f one-to-one?

(ii) Is f onto?

(iii) Does f^{-1} exist?

(a) $f : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ is defined by $f(x, y) = (3x + (R + 1)y, 2x + (R + 2)y)$ for every $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$.

(b) $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ is defined by $f(n) = \left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil$ for each $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.