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**MATH 135: SET THEORY**  
**MIDTERM # 1**

There are **six** questions. The first question has **five** parts. Write your answers in the space provided. If you need more space, you may continue your answers on the blank pages at the end of the exam. **Please submit all of the pages, including the extra blank pages even if you have not written on them.**

**1a.** (5 pts) Express the Union Axiom using the signature of set theory, that is, with only the binary relation symbol  $\in$  as a nonlogical symbol. [**N.B. :** We mean the Union Axiom in our official formulation, not the preliminary version concerning binary unions.]

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**1b.** (5 pts) Express the Pair Set Axiom using only the signature of set theory.

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**1c.** (5 pts) Give a precise formal definition of the relation  $y = \mathcal{P}x$ , that is, of “ $y$  is the power set of  $x$ ”, using only the binary relation symbol  $\in$  as a nonlogical symbol. In particular, if your definition should *not* use the symbol  $\subseteq$ .

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**1d.** (5 pts) Give a precise formal definition of the relation  $z = \langle x, y \rangle$  using only the binary relation symbol  $\in$  as a nonlogical symbol. In particular, your definition should *not* use the relation  $c = \{a, b\}$ .

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**1e.** (5 pts) Give a precise formal definition of the condition “*f* is a function” using the binary relation symbol  $\in$  and the ordered pair function symbol  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  as primitives.

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2. (15 pts) **Prove:**  $(\forall S)(\forall R) (R \circ S)^{-1} = S^{-1} \circ R^{-1}$ .

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3. (15 pts) **Prove or disprove:** If  $B$  is a transitive set, then  $(\forall a)[a \in B \rightarrow \mathcal{P}a \in \mathcal{P}B]$ .

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4. (15 pts) **Prove:** that if  $X \subseteq \omega$  and  $X \neq \emptyset$ , then  $X$  has a least element. That is, there is some  $a \in X$  such that for all  $b \in X$  one has  $a = b$  or  $a \in b$ .



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5. (15 pts) **Prove:** that there is no set of all functions. That is, show that there is no set  $\mathbb{F}$  such that

$$(\forall t)[ t \in \mathbb{F} \longleftrightarrow t \text{ is a function } ] .$$

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6. (16 pts) **Prove:**  $(\forall \ell \in \omega)(\forall m \in \omega)(\forall n \in \omega)[\ell \in m \rightarrow (\ell + n) \in (m + n)]$

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