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**MATH 135: SET THEORY
FINAL EXAMINATION**

For all of the parts of Question 1, you may use only the language of set theory having \in as its sole non-logical primitive. However, if you have defined some term in another part of the problem, you may then use that defined term.

1a. (5 pts)

$$z = \langle x, y \rangle \iff \forall t (t \in z \leftrightarrow (\forall s [s \in t \leftrightarrow t = x] \text{ or } \forall s [s \in t \leftrightarrow (s = x \text{ or } s = y)]))$$

1b. (5 pts)

$$\begin{aligned} f : A \rightarrow B \iff & \forall t [t \in f \rightarrow \exists a \exists b (a \in A \ \& \ b \in B \ \& \ t = \langle a, b \rangle)] \\ & \& \forall a [a \in A \rightarrow \exists b \langle a, b \rangle \in f] \\ & \& \forall x \forall y \forall z ([\langle x, y \rangle \in f \ \& \ \langle x, z \rangle \in f] \rightarrow y = z) \end{aligned}$$

1c. (5 pts) Express the Empty Set Axiom.

$$\exists z \forall t (\neg t \in z)$$

1d. (5 pts) Express the Axiom of Choice (in our official formulation).

$$\forall R \exists f \exists A \exists B (f : A \rightarrow B \ \& \ \forall t (t \in f \rightarrow t \in R) \ \& \ \forall a [\exists b \langle a, b \rangle \in R \rightarrow \exists c \langle a, c \rangle \in f])$$

1e. (5 pts)

$$x \text{ is a transitive set} \iff \forall y \forall z ([z \in y \ \& \ y \in x] \rightarrow z \in x)$$

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1f. (5 pts)

R is a well-ordering of $X \iff \forall t[t \in R \rightarrow \exists x \exists y(x \in X \ \& \ y \in X \ \& \ t = \langle x, y \rangle]$
 $\& \ \forall x(\neg \langle x, x \rangle)$
 $\& \ \forall x \forall y \forall z[(\langle x, y \rangle \in R \ \& \ \langle y, z \rangle \in R) \rightarrow \langle x, z \rangle \in R]$
 $\& \ \forall x \forall y[(x \in X \ \& \ y \in X) \rightarrow (\langle x, y \rangle \in R \text{ or } x = y \text{ or } \langle y, x \rangle \in R)]$
 $\& \ \forall Y([\forall t(t \in Y \rightarrow t \in R) \ \& \ \exists t(t \in Y)]$
 $\rightarrow \exists s[s \in Y \ \& \ \forall u(u \in Y \rightarrow s = u \text{ or } \langle s, u \rangle \in R)])$

1g.(5 pts)

κ is a cardinal $\iff \forall R[\forall t(t \in R \leftrightarrow \exists x \exists y[t = \langle x, y \rangle \ \& \ x \in \kappa \ \& \ y \in \kappa]) \rightarrow R \text{ is a well-ordering of } \kappa]$
 $\& \ \kappa$ is a transitive set
 $\& \ \forall \alpha[\alpha \in \kappa \rightarrow \forall f(f : \alpha \rightarrow \kappa \rightarrow \exists \beta(\beta \in \kappa \ \& \ \forall \gamma(\gamma, \beta) \notin f))]$

2. (15 pts) **Prove:** Let R be any relation and let $X = \text{fld}(R)$ be the field of R . Define $f : \omega \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X \times X)$ by recursion via $f(0) = R$ and $f(n^+) := f(n) \cup f(n)^{-1} \cup f(n) \circ f(n)$. Let $E := \bigcup \text{ran } f$. **Prove:** that E is an equivalence relation on X and that for any equivalence relation F on X with $R \subseteq F$, we have $E \subseteq F$.

Proof: First we check that E is an equivalence relation. If $x \in X$, then there is some $y \in X$ so that $\langle x, y \rangle \in R$ or $\langle y, x \rangle \in R$. If $\langle x, y \rangle \in R = f(0)$. Either way, $\langle x, x \rangle \in R \circ R = f(0) \circ f(0) \subseteq f(1) \subseteq E$. Thus, E is reflexive on X . If $\langle x, y \rangle \in E$, then for some n , we have $\langle x, y \rangle \in f(n)$, which implies that $\langle y, x \rangle \in f(n^+) \subseteq E$. Finally, if $\langle x, y \rangle \in E$ and $\langle y, z \rangle \in E$, then for some n and m we have $\langle x, y \rangle \in f(n)$ and $\langle y, z \rangle \in f(m)$. Note that whenever $k \leq \ell$, $f(k) \subseteq f(\ell)$ (one sees this by induction — the

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- 1e. (5 pts) Give a precise formal definition of the condition
 x is a transitive set .

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1f. (5 pts) Give a precise formal definition of the condition that

R is a well-ordering of X .

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1g.(5 pts) Give a precise formal definition of the condition

κ is a cardinal .

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3. (15 pts) Let X be any set and let $R \subseteq X \times X$ be a transitive, irreflexive relation on X .
Prove: there is a linear ordering $S \subseteq X \times X$ with $R \subseteq S$.

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4. (15 pts) **Prove:** that \aleph , the class of all cardinals, is not a set. That is, there is no set \aleph such that $\forall t[t \in \aleph \leftrightarrow t \text{ is a cardinal}]$.

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5. (15 pts) **Prove:** that

$$\aleph_\omega < \aleph_\omega^{\aleph_0}$$

Hint: Let $g : \aleph_\omega \rightarrow {}^\omega \aleph_\omega$ be any function. Show that for every $n \in \omega$, $\aleph_\omega \text{ran } g \restriction \aleph_n \neq \emptyset$. Use this result to construct some $f \in {}^\omega \aleph_\omega \setminus \text{ran}(g)$.

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6. (15 pts) **Prove:** that ordinal addition is associative. That is, for all ordinals α , β , and γ , we have

$$(\alpha + \beta) + \gamma = \alpha + (\beta + \gamma)$$

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7. (15 pts) Let $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be a subset of the real numbers is well-ordered with respect to the ordering induced from the usual ordering on \mathbb{R} . **Prove:** $\text{card}(X) \leq \aleph_0$.

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8. (15 pts) Let X be any set, E an equivalence relation on X , and κ any cardinal. We suppose that for each $x \in X$, $\text{card}([x]_E) \leq \kappa$. **Prove:** $\text{card}(X) \leq \text{card}(X/E) \cdot \kappa$.

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