# CS-2050-All-Sections CS 2050 Homework 3 (HOWARD, FAULKNER, ELLEN)

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**TOTAL POINTS** 

#### 102.5 / 100

**OUESTION 1** 

# 1 Question 1 14 / 14

- √ 0 pts Correct
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  - 4 pts Did not include line numbers in reasons

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#### **Skipped Steps**

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#### Miscited Steps

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  - 14 pts No Answer

#### **OUESTION 2**

# 2 Question 2 16 / 16

- √ 0 pts Correct
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  - 3 pts Did not include line numbers in reasons

# Invalid steps

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#### Skipping steps

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#### Miscited steps

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- 9 pts 3+ miscited steps
- 16 pts Did not reach \$\$b\$\$
- 16 pts No answer

#### **OUESTION 3**

## 3 Question 3 10 / 10

- ✓ 0 pts Correct
  - **2 pts** Missing / Incorrect Introduction (e.g.

does not mention type of proof)

**- 6 pts** Invalid assumption (e.g. assumes conclusion is true)

# **Proof Body**

- 2 pts Does not correctly cite closure of integers under multiplication and/or addition
- **3 pts** Same variable for different definitions of even/odd
- **3 pts** Uses Booleans and Numerical values interchangeably

A statement with numbers needs to be an equality – something like "\$\$2k\$\$ (is true) by definition of even" without the equality is not correct

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- 1 pts Minor non-trivializing arithmetic error
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(i.e. Does not say "assume conclusion is false" or equivalent in introduction and jumps straight to definition of odd in body.)

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- **10 pts** Uses proof technique other than direct proof.
  - 10 pts No Answer

#### **QUESTION 4**

# Question 4 24 pts

#### 4.1 a 12 / 12

- √ 0 pts Correct
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- **6 pts** Invalid assumption (assumes conclusion is true)
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## **Invalid** steps

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- 9 pts 3 Invalid steps

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- 3 pts 1 Uncited step
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- 9 pts 3 Uncited steps

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- **12 pts** Uses proof technique other than proof by contrapositive
  - 12 pts No answer
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#### 4.2 b 12 / 12

#### √ - 0 pts Correct

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   and \$\$n\$\$ is even" (by
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#### Proof body

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Valid contradictions could be: \$\$n\$\$ is even and \$\$n\$\$ is odd  $\$\$3n^2 + \$\$\$$  is both even and odd \$\$1 = 0\$\$

The product/sum of integers is not an integer

(finding a violation of closure) – if a student uses this as their contradiction but incorrectly explains why it is a contradiction, mark off for skipped step

Many more contradictions could work

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  - 12 pts No answer

#### **QUESTION 5**

5 Question 5 12 / 12

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Must say they have proven the conditional that "nth root of 2 is irrational"

- 12 pts No answer

#### **QUESTION 6**

# Question 6 24 pts

#### 6.1 a 12 / 12

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  - 6 pts Incorrect / Missing Reasoning (i.e. just

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#### 6.2 **b** 12 / 12

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#### **QUESTION 7**

## 7 On Time 2.5 / 0

- √ + 2.5 pts On Time (Before Thursday)
  - 0 pts On Time (Friday)
  - 10 pts 1 day late
  - 25 pts 2 days late

#### **QUESTION 8**

# 8 Matching 0 / 0

- ✓ 0 pts Correct
  - 5 pts Incorrect

1.

Propositional Variables

t = Today is Friday

p = Papa Johns is on fire

w = I win a chess match

m = I watch a movie

s = I go to sleep early

c = I get to class on time

h = I turn in my homework early

d = Domino's is on fire today

I will proceed with a direct proof. Assume all premises (propositional variables) are true.

Line	Statement	Reason
1	$t \wedge p$	Premise
2	$(t \lor \neg m) \to w$	Premise
3	$s \rightarrow \neg w$	Premise
4	$\neg s \rightarrow (c \land h)$	Premise
5	$\neg p \leftrightarrow \neg h$	Premise
6	$\neg d$	Premise
7	p	Simplification (1)
8	$(\neg h \to \neg p) \land (\neg p \to \neg h)$	Biconditional Definition (5)
9	$\neg h \rightarrow \neg p$	Simplification (8)
10	$p \to h$	Contrapositive Law (8)
11	h	Modus Ponens (7,10)
12	t	Simplification (1)
13	$t \lor \neg m$	Addition (12)
14	W	Modus Ponens (2,13)
15	$\neg s$	Modus Tollens (3,14)
16	$h \land \neg s$	Conjunction (11,15)
17	$\neg (\neg h \lor s)$	Inverse Double Negation (16)
18	$\neg (h \rightarrow s)$	Inverse Conditional Disjunction Equivalence (17)

 $\therefore$  By direct proof, the premises lead to the conclusion of  $\neg$   $(h \rightarrow s)$  or "It is not true that if I turn in my homework early, then I will go to sleep early" using rules of inference

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I will proceed with a direct proof. Assume all premises are true.

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2	$x \land (b \lor \neg d)$	Premise
3	$(x \land a) \rightarrow \neg b$	Premise
4	$((\neg y \lor x) \land c) \to d$	Premise
5	$y \rightarrow c$	Premise
6	$(y \to x) \land (x \to y)$	Biconditional Definition (1)
7	$x \to y$	Simplification (6)
8	$\chi$	Simplification (2)
9	y	Modus Ponens (7,8)
10	С	Modus Ponens (5,9)
11	$x \lor \neg y$	Addition (8)
12	$(x \lor \neg y) \land c$	Conjunction (10,11)
13	d	Modus Ponens (4,12)
14	$b \lor \neg d$	Simplification (2)
15	$\neg d \lor b$	Commutativity (14)
16	b	Disjunctive Syllogism (13,15)

 $\therefore$  By direct proof, the premises lead to the conclusion of b using rules of inference

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I will now proceed with a direct proof. Assume x and y are integers and x + y is even.

Line	Statement	Reason
1	x + y is even	Given/Premise
2	$x + y = 2k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$	Definition of even number (1)
3	y = 2k - x	Subtract x from both sides (2)
4	(y)(x+y) = (2k)(y)	Multiply both sides by y (2)
5	$b = x - y = x + (-y), b \in \mathbb{Z}$	Define a new variable b; closure of
		integers under addition
6	b = x - y = x + y - 2y = 2k - 2(2k - x)	Simplification of variable b
	= 2k - 4k + 2x = 2x - 2k	
7	b = 2x - 2k = 2(x - k)	Factor out 2 (6)
8	(y)(x + y)(x - y) = (2k)(y)(x - y)	Multiple both sides by (x-y)
9	(y)(x+y)(x-y) = (2k)(2k-x)(x-y)	Substitute in (2k-x) for y on the RHS (8)
10	(y)(x+y)(x-y)	Substitute in $2(x-k)$ for $(x-y)$ on the RHS
	= (2k)(2k - x)(2)(x - k)	(9)
11	(y)(x+y)(x-y)+2	Add 2 to both sides (10)
	= (2k)(2k - x)(2)(x - k) + 2	
12	(y)(x+y)(x-y)+2	Factor out 2 on the RHS (11)
	= 2((k)(2k - x)(2)(x - k) + 1)	
13	$c = (k)(2k - x)(2)(x - k) + 1, c \in \mathbb{Z}$	Define a new variable c; closure of
		integers under addition/multiplication
14	(y)(x + y)(x - y) + 2 = 2c	Substitute c for $((k)(2k-x)(2)(x-k) + 1)$
		(12)
15	$x^2y - y^3 + 2 = 2c$	Simplify LHS (14)
16	$x^2y - y^3 + 2$ is even	Definition of even

 $<sup>\</sup>therefore$  By direct proof, we have shown that  $x^2y - y^3 + 2$  is even assuming x + y is even

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- 10 pts Uses proof technique other than direct proof.
- 10 pts No Answer

a.

I will now proceed by proving the equivalent contrapositive, "if n is even, then  $n^2 + 2n + 10$  is even. Assume n is an even integer.

Line	Statement	Reason
1	$n$ is even, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$	Given/Premise
2	$n=2k, k\in \mathbb{Z}$	Definition of even number (1),
		closure of integers under
		multiplication
3	$n^2 = n * n = 4k^2 = 2a, a \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } a = 2k^2, \text{ is even}$	Definition of even number (2),
		closure of integers under
		multiplication
4	2n is even	Definition of even number (2)
5	$n^2 + 2n = 4k^2 + 2(2k) = 4k^2 + 4k = 2(2k^2 + 4k)$	Definition of even number
	$(2k) = 2b, b \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } b = 2k^2 + 2k, $ is ven	(3,4), closure of integers under
		addition and multiplication
6	$n^2 + 2n + 10 = 4(k^2 + k) + 10 = 2(2(k^2 + k) + k)$	Definition of even number (5),
	$5) = 2c, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $c = 2(k^2 + k) + 5$ , is even	closure of integers under
		addition and multiplication

 $\therefore$  By proof of contrapositive, assuming an integer n is even, we concluded that  $n^2 + 2n + 10$  is even. Therefore, according to the contrapositive law, we can conclude that if  $n^2 + 2n + 10$  is odd, then n is odd.

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- 12 pts Uses proof technique other than proof by contrapositive
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I will now proceed with a proof by contradiction. Assume n is an integer,  $n^2 + 2n + 10$  is odd, and n is even.

Line	Statement	Reason
1	$n^2 + 2n + 10$ is odd, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$	Given/Premise
2	n is even	Given/Premise
3	$n=2k, k\in \mathbb{Z}$	Definition of even number (2)
4	$a = n^2 + 2n + 10$	Define new variable a
5	$a = n^2 + 2n + 10$	Plug in 2k for a
	$= (2k)^2 + 2(2k) + 10$	
	$=4k^2+4k+10$	
6	$a = n^2 + 2n + 10 = 2(2k^2 + 2k +$	Definition of even number
	$5) = 2b, b \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } b = (2k^2 + k + 5),$	
	is even	
7	$n^2 + 2n + 10$ is even	Inconsistency (1,6)

 $<sup>\</sup>therefore$  By contradiction theorem, we assumed that  $n^2 + 2n + 10$  is odd and n is even, shown by the premises. Solving through with this, we reached an inconsistency where  $n^2 + 2n + 10$  is both odd and even. Thus, our assumption is incorrect, and we can conclude if  $n^2 + 2n + 10$  is odd, then n is odd.

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Valid contradictions could be:

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 $$$3n^2 + 8$$  is both even and odd

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Must say they have proven the conditional that "If  $\$\$n^2 + 2n + 10\$\$$  is odd, then \$\$n\$\$ is odd." Cannot only say that they have proven If  $\$\$n^2 + 2n + 10\$\$$  is odd.

- 12 pts Cites 4a as their answer
- 12 pts Uses proof technique other than proof by contradiction
- 12 pts No answer

I will now proceed with a proof by contradiction. Assume n is an integer,  $n \ge 3$ , and  $\sqrt[n]{2}$  is rational.

Line	Statement	Reason
1	$\sqrt[n]{2}$ is rational, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $n \ge 3$	Given/Premise
2	$\sqrt[n]{2} = \frac{a}{b}$ , $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $gcd(a, b) = 1$	Definition of rational number, and
	<i>b</i>	we can always make fractions into
		their simplest form
3	$\binom{n}{2}n - \binom{a}{n}n \rightarrow 2 - \binom{a}{n}$	Taking both sides to the power of
	$(\sqrt{z})^n = (\frac{1}{b})^n \rightarrow z = \frac{1}{b^n}$	n (2)
4	$(\sqrt[n]{2})^n = (\frac{a}{b})^n \to 2 = \frac{a^n}{b^n}$ $2 * b^n = \frac{a^n}{b^n} * b^n \to 2b^n = a^n$	Cross multiply (3)
	$2*b^n = \frac{b^n}{b^n}*b^n \to 2b^n = a^n$	
5	$a^n = 2b^n = 2c, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $c = b^n$ , is even	Definition of even number
6	$(2c)^n = 2^n c^n = 2b^n$	Replace a with 2c (5)
7	$0.5 * 2^n c^n = 0.5 * 2b^n \to b^n = 2^{n-1} c^n$	Multiply by 0.5 on both sides (6)
8	$b^n = 2(2^{n-2}c^n) = 2d, d \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } d =$	Definition of even number
	$2^{n-2}c^n$ , is even	
9	$\gcd(a,b) \ge 2$	The GCD of two even numbers
		must be 2 or greater, as one
		common factor is 2
		Inconsistency (2,9)

 $\therefore$  By contradiction theorem, we assumed that  $\sqrt[n]{2}$  is rational and  $n \ge 3$ , shown by the premises. Solving through with this, we reached an inconsistency regarding the greatest common denominator of two variables created in the proof, proving that the assumption we made is incorrect. We can thus conclude that  $\sqrt[n]{2}$  is irrational for any integer  $n \ge 3$ .

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- 3 pts 1 Uncited step
- 6 pts 2 Uncited steps
- 9 pts 3 Uncited steps

# Skipped steps

- 2 pts 1 Skipped step
- 4 pts 2 Skipped steps
- 6 pts 3 Skipped steps
- 3 pts Missing/incorrect conclusion

Must say they have proven the conditional that "nth root of 2 is irrational"

- 12 pts No answer

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# 7 On Time 2.5 / 0

- √ + 2.5 pts On Time (Before Thursday)
  - 0 pts On Time (Friday)
  - **10 pts** 1 day late
  - **25 pts** 2 days late

# 8 Matching 0 / 0

- **√ 0 pts** Correct
  - **5 pts** Incorrect