

# **CSE215**

## **Foundations of Computer Science**

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# Homework 04

# Exercise 1 (points = 32)

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Determine whether the statements below are true or false. Do not explain.

1. 119 is a prime number.
2. 161 is a prime number.
3.  $42k$  is an even number for any integer  $k$ .
4. For each integer  $n$  with  $2 \leq n \leq 6$ ,  $n^2 - n + 11$  is a prime number.
5. The average of any two odd integers is odd.
6. For any real number  $x$ , if  $x * x \geq 4$ , then  $x \geq 2$ .
7. For any real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $x^2 - 2xy + y^2 \geq 0$ .

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8. There exists an integer  $x$ , such that  $(2x + 1)^2$  is even.

## Exercise 2. (points = 8)

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- Conduct a bit of research: Describe the formal definition of continuity for a real-valued function  $f$  at the point  $x$ .
- Provide the formal definition for  $f$  being discontinuous at  $x$ .

# issue

## Exercise 2

To be continuous on point  $x$ , the function  $f(x)$  must be defined at  $x=a$ ,  $f(a)$ , also limit must be existed  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \text{some value}$ ,  
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$ , and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(a)$ .

To be discontinuous at  $x$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} f(x)$ , and

$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \neq f(a)$ . Limit of  $f(x)$  is not defined.

# Issue

## Exercise 2

- any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $x$ , if  $|x - c| < \delta$ , then  $|f(x) - f(c)| < \epsilon$
- There exists  $\epsilon < 0$ , any  $\delta \leq 0$  such that for some  $x$ ,  $|x - c| < \delta$  and  $|f(x) - f(c)| \geq \epsilon$

## Exercise 3 (points = 15)

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Prove the following proposition: An even number multiplied by an integer is an even number.

Check "Key points for proof-writing" above.

## Exercise 4 (points = 15)

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Prove the following proposition: An odd number multiplied by an odd number is an odd number.

Check "Key points for proof-writing" above.



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Exercise 4

$$(2n+1)^2$$

Proof

Suppose we have two odd number  $(2n+1)$ .

$(2n+1)^2$  is equal to  $4n^2+4n+1$ . By definition,  $4n^2, 4n$  is an even number and by adding 1, it will be an odd number.

Q.E.D.

## Exercise 5 (points = 15)

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We say an integer is a perfect square if it can be expressed as a square of some integer. For example, 81 is a perfect square; 80 is not.

Prove the following statement: there is a perfect square that can be written as a sum of two other perfect squares.

Check "Key points for proof-writing" above.

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## Exercise 5

1. proof : for some  $k, r$  from integer, assume there is a perfect square  $k^2$  and  $r^2$ . Then the sum of two perfect squares is  $k^2 + r^2$ . We can find this structure from Pythagorean Theorem. In Pythagorean Theorem,  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ , so there exists a perfect square that can be written as a sum of two other perfect squares.

Q E D

# Issue

Exercise 5)

prove the following statement: there is a perfect square that can be written as a sum of two other perfect squares..

• proof.

• suppose  $u$  is a perfect square,  $j$  is a perfect square, and  $m$  is a perfect square, we need to show  $u = m + j$

• Since  $u$  is a perfect square,  $u = a^2$  for some real number  $a$

• Since  $j$  is a perfect square,  $j = b^2$  for some real number  $b$

• Since  $m$  is a perfect square,  $m = c^2$  for some real number  $c$

• If  $a=5$ ,  $b=3$ , and  $c=4$  then we note

$$a^2 = 5^2 = 25 = 3^2 + 4^2 = 9 + 16 = b^2 + c^2 = u = m + j$$

• We note that  $a^2 = b^2 + c^2$  holds in this case

• Thus, there must be at least one perfect square that can be written as a sum of two other perfect squares.

• QED

## Exercise 6 (points = 15)

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Suppose  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Prove: If  $a$  is an odd integer, then  $a^2 + 3a + 5$  is odd.

Check "Key points for proof-writing" above.

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Exercise 6 (points = 15)

Suppose  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Prove: If  $a$  is an odd integer, then  $a^2 + 3a + 5$  is odd.  
Check "Key points for proof-writing" above.

Answer:

- Let  $a$  be an odd integer.
- 3 and 5 are odd integers.
- The sum of three odd integers is always odd, we can conclude that  $a^2 + 3a + 5$  is odd.

# Issue

Exercise 6.

proof.

- Suppose  $a$  is an odd integer, then  $a^2 + 3a + 5$  is odd.
- Since  $a = 2k+1$  for some integer  $k$ .
- $(2k+1)^2 + 3(2k+1) + 5 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1 + 6k + 3 + 5 = 4k^2 + 10k + 9 = 2(2k^2 + 5k + 4) + 1$ ,  
which shows that if  $a$  is an odd integer, then  $a^2 + 3a + 5$  is odd.
- QED.

# Solution



#1

(1) False

(2) False

(3) True

(4) True

(5) False

(6) False

(7) True

(8) False

$f$  is continuous at  $x$  if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, \forall y, |y - x| < \delta \rightarrow |f(y) - f(x)| < \epsilon$$

$f$  is discontinuous at  $x$  if

$$\exists \epsilon > 0, \forall \delta > 0, \exists y, |y - x| < \delta \wedge |f(y) - f(x)| \geq \epsilon$$

### Exercise 3

Proof

Suppose  $n$  is an even number and  $k$  an integer.

Since  $n$  is even,  $n = 2k'$  for some integer  $k'$ .

$$\text{Thus, } n \cdot k = 2k'k$$

Thus,  $n \cdot k$  is even

QED

## Exercise 4

### Proof

Suppose  $n$  and  $m$  are odd numbers.

Since  $n$  and  $m$  are odd,  $n = 2k+1$  and  $m = 2k'+1$  for some integers  $k, k'$

$$n \cdot m = (2k+1)(2k'+1) = 4kk' + 2k + 2k' + 1$$

$$= 2(2kk' + k + k') + 1$$

Thus,  $n \cdot m$  is odd

QED

## Exercise 5

Proof

Let  $a = 9$  and  $b = 16$

Then,  $a$  and  $b$  are two perfect squares

$a+b = 25$  is also a perfect square

Thus, there exists a perfect square that can be written as a sum of two other perfect squares.

QED

## Exercise 6

Proof

Suppose  $a$  is an odd integer.

$a = 2k+1$  for some integer  $k$ .

$$a^2 + 3a + 5 = (2k+1)^2 + 3(2k+1) + 5 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1 + 6k + 3 + 5$$

$$= 4k^2 + 10k + 9 = 2(2k^2 + 5k + 4) + 1$$

Thus,  $a^2 + 3a + 5$  is odd

QED.