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**Department of Mathematics**

Fundamentals of Mathematics					
Midterm 1					
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1	2	3	4	5	6

1. (20pts) (a) Find all the truth values of  $P$ ,  $Q$  and  $R$  such that the statement  $(P \vee Q) \rightarrow (R \rightarrow \neg Q)$  is false.

P	Q	R	$P \vee Q$	$R \rightarrow \neg Q$	$(P \vee Q) \rightarrow (R \rightarrow \neg Q)$
T	T	T	T	F	F ←
T	T	F	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	T	T
F	T	T	T	F	F ←
F	T	F	T	T	T
F	F	T	F	T	T
F	F	F	F	T	T

∴ P: True  
Q: True  
R: True

OR

P: False  
Q: True  
R: True

(b) Determine if the statements  $(\neg P) \wedge (P \rightarrow Q)$  and  $\neg(Q \rightarrow P)$  are logically equivalent or not.

P	Q	$P \rightarrow Q$	$Q \rightarrow P$	$\neg P \wedge (P \rightarrow Q)$	$\neg(Q \rightarrow P)$
T	T	T	T	F	F
T	F	F	T	F	F
F	T	T	F	T	T
F	F	T	T	T	F

∴ not equivalent

2. (20pts) Determine whether the following are true or false. Explain.

(a)  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \exists y \in \mathbb{R} x = y^3$ . TRUE

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ , choose  $y = \sqrt[3]{x} \in \mathbb{R}$ . Such a real number  $y$  exists for any given  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

(b)  $\neg(\exists x \in \mathbb{R} \forall y \in \mathbb{R} x + y = x)$ . TRUE

For any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , choose  $y = 1$ , then  $x + 1 \neq x$  i.e.  $1 \neq 0$

(c)  $\forall a \in \mathbb{Q} \forall b \in \mathbb{Q} \sqrt{ab} \in \mathbb{Q}$ . FALSE

Choose  $a = 1 \in \mathbb{Q}$   $b = 2 \in \mathbb{Q}$  but  $\sqrt{1 \cdot 2} \notin \mathbb{Q}$

3. (20pts) Let  $a$  and  $b$  be integers. Prove that  $a + b$  is even if and only if  $a^3 - b^2$  is even.

$\Rightarrow$  if  $a + b$  is even, then there are 2 cases for parity of  $a, b$

Case 1.  $a$  and  $b$  are even, then  $a^3$  and  $b^2$  are even and thus,  $a^3 - b^2$  is even

Case 2.  $a$  and  $b$  are odd, then  $a^3$  and  $b^2$  are odd and thus,  $a^3 - b^2$  is even

$\Leftarrow$  if  $a^3 - b^2$  is even, then there are 2 cases for  $a^3 - b^2$

Case 1.  $a^3$  and  $b^2$  are both odd; then  $a$  and  $b$  should be odd and thus,  $a + b$  is even

Case 2.  $a^3$  and  $b^2$  are both even; then  $a$  and  $b$  should be even and thus,  $a + b$  is even

Another proof of  $\Leftarrow$  : by contrapositive : if  $a + b$  is odd,

then Case 1.  $a$  is even,  $b$  is odd, then  $a^3$  is even,  $b^2$  is odd

Case 2.  $a$  is odd,  $b$  is even, then  $a^3$  is odd,  $b^2$  is even

In the both cases,  $a^3 - b^2$  is odd.

4. (20pts) (a) Determine if the following argument is valid or not. Why?

$$\frac{P \rightarrow (Q \vee R) \quad \neg P \vee Q}{Q}$$

Not valid.

Put  $P = \text{False}$ ,  $Q = \text{False}$  Then

- $P \rightarrow (Q \vee R) = \text{True}$  independent of  $R$
- $\neg P \vee Q = \text{True}$

But  $Q = \text{False}$

(b) Give a derivation of the following argument.

- ①  $E \rightarrow F$
- ②  $\neg G \rightarrow \neg F$
- ③  $H \rightarrow I$
- ④  $\frac{E \vee H}{G \vee I}$
- ⑤  $F \vee I$  by 4, 1, 3
- ⑥  $F \rightarrow G$  by 2
- ⑦  $G \vee I$  by 5, 6

5. (20pts) For sets  $A$  and  $B$  the symmetric difference is defined as  $A \Delta B = (A - B) \cup (B - A)$ . Prove the following

$$X \cap (Y \Delta Z) = (X \cap Y) \Delta (X \cap Z).$$

$\subseteq$  Take any  $x \in X \cap (Y \Delta Z)$ , then  $x \in X$  and  $x \in Y \Delta Z = (Y - Z) \cup (Z - Y)$ , thus,  $x \in X$  and either  $x \in Y - Z$  or  $x \in Z - Y$

Case 1.  $x \in X$  and  $x \in Y - Z$ , then  $x \in X$ ,  $x \in Y$  and  $x \notin Z$ , so,  $x \in X \cap Y$ , but  $x \notin X \cap Z$ , thus  $x \in (X \cap Y) - (X \cap Z)$ .

Case 2  $x \in X$  and  $x \in Z - Y$ , then  $x \in X$ ,  $x \in Z$ , but  $x \notin Y$ , so,  $x \in X \cap Z$ , but  $x \notin X \cap Y$ , and thus,  $x \in (X \cap Z) - (X \cap Y)$

In the both cases,  $x \in (X \cap Y) \Delta (X \cap Z) = [(X \cap Y) - (X \cap Z)] \cup [(X \cap Z) - (X \cap Y)]$

$\supseteq$  Take any  $x \in (X \cap Y) \Delta (X \cap Z) = [(X \cap Y) - (X \cap Z)] \cup [(X \cap Z) - (X \cap Y)]$

Case 1  $x \in (X \cap Y) - (X \cap Z)$ , then  $x \in X \cap Y$  and  $x \notin X \cap Z$ , then  $x \in X$ ,  $x \in Y$ , but  $x \notin X \cap Z$  and thus,  $x \notin Z$

Then  $x \in Y - Z \subseteq (Y - Z) \cup (Z - Y) = Y \Delta Z$

Case 2  $x \in (X \cap Z) - (X \cap Y)$ , then  $x \in X \cap Z$  and  $x \notin X \cap Y$ , then  $x \in X$ ,  $x \in Z$ , but  $x \notin Y$ . Thus  $x \in Z - Y \subseteq Y \Delta Z$

In the both cases,  $x \in X \cap (Y \Delta Z)$ .

Another Solution:  $X \cap (Y \Delta Z) = X \cap ((Y - Z) \cup (Z - Y)) \stackrel{\text{distributivity}}{=} [X \cap (Y - Z)] \cup [X \cap (Z - Y)]$

$$\begin{aligned} X \cap (Y - Z) &= (X \cap Y) - (X \cap Z) \\ X \cap (Z - Y) &= (X \cap Z) - (X \cap Y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{implies } X \cap (Y \Delta Z) &= [(X \cap Y) - (X \cap Z)] \cup [(X \cap Z) - (X \cap Y)] \\ &= (X \cap Y) \Delta (X \cap Z) \end{aligned}$$