Math 211 Discrete Mathematics

PROBLEM SET #3

Due Thursday, February 16, 2023 @ 11:59 pm Submit as single pdf file to Canvas

Remember to review the Guidelines for Problem Sets on the course webpage.

- 1. Consider the statement $\exists x \text{ s.t. } x > x^3$. Give a domain where the statement is true and another where the statement is false. Explain.
- 2. For each statement,
 - (i) Write it as an English sentence that does not use symbols for quantifiers;
 - (ii) Write the negation in symbolic form;
 - (iii) Write the negation as an English sentence that does not use symbols for quantifiers;
 - (iv) Give the truth value of the statement and its negation (you do not need to prove these claims).
 - (a) $\exists m \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, m > n$
 - (b) $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists m \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } m^2 > n$
- 3. Consider $\forall y \; \exists x \exists z \; \text{s.t.} \; T(x,y,z) \land Q(x,y)$
 - (a) Suppose that

the domain of x is the set of math classes offered at Wheaton, the domain of y is the set of students in Discrete Math, and the domain of z is the set of all math professors at Wheaton.

Let T(x, y, z) be the predicate "y took class x with z" and Q(x, y) be the predicate "y loves the class x".

What does the original statement say in words?

- (b) Negate the statement so that all negation symbols immediately precede predicates. Be sure to show all your steps!
- (c) Using the same definitions as in (a), what does the negation of the statement mean in words?
- 4. Are the following statements true or false? Give a proof for your conclusions.
 - (a) If a, b, and c are integers, then ab + ac is an even integer.
 - (b) If b and c are odd integers and a is an integer, then ab + ac is an even integer.
- 5. Prove that for all integers a and m, if a and m are the legs of a right triangle with hypotenuse m + 1, then a is an odd integer.

References for problems: 1,3. Rachelle DeCoste; 2. Sundstrom, *Mathematical Reasoning Writing and Proof, Version 3*, Exercises 2.4.4 & 2.4.5; 4. Sundstrom, Exercise 1.2.7

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