

# Mathematics 1190A Introduction to Sets and Logic

## Midterm Examination B

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**Instructions: Do all problems. Present your solutions in the accompanying booklet in the order that they appear on this paper. No notes, crib sheets or books are allowed. A calculator is allowed. Questions are of equal weight. The test is 50 minutes long.**

1. (a) For  $1 \leq i \leq \infty$ , let  $A_i$  be a set. Describe using set notation what is meant by  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$ . *see page 134. Or from your class notes you will see that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \{x : \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}^+, x \in A_i\}$*   
(b) Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function from a set  $A$  to a set  $B$ . Let  $S$  be a subset of  $B$ . Define the set  $f^{-1}(S)$   
*problem 43 section 2.3 was assigned. To have done this problem it would have been necessary to read the text between problems 41 and 42 - where you can find the answer. Or from your class notes you can see  $f^{-1}(S) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in S\}$ .*  
(c) Define what it means for two sets to have the same cardinality.  
*see definition 1 p. 170*
2. Determine the truth value of each of the following statements in which the domain of each variable is the real numbers. If false, provide a counter-example.*see definition 1 p. 170*
  - (a)  $\forall x \exists y (x^2 = y)$  **true**
  - (b)  $\exists x \forall y x^2 = y$  **false** - if  $x \neq 0$  the statement says every  $y$  is a square. for the statement to be true If  $x = 0$  every  $y$  would have to be 0 for the statement to be true.

3. (a) What is the negation of the proposition  $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)$ . Form your answer in such a way that the negation symbol only the propositions  $p$  or  $q$ .

$$(p \wedge q) \wedge (q \wedge \neg p) \equiv \mathbf{F}$$

- (b) Construct the truth table for the compound proposition above.

$p$	$q$	$p \wedge q$	$q \rightarrow p$	$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)$
T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	F	F	T
F	F	F	T	T

4. For  $i \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , let  $A_i = [i, \infty)$ , namely the set  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : i \leq x\}$ . Describe the sets  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$  and  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$ .

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = [1, \infty)$$

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \emptyset$$

5. Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by  $f(x) = x^2$ . Find (see comment for problem 1)

(a)  $f^{-1}(\{1\})$

$$f^{-1}(\{1\}) = \{-1, 1\}$$

(b)  $f^{-1}(\{x : 4 < x\})$

$$f^{-1}(\{x : 4 < x\}) = (-\infty, 2) \cup (2, \infty)$$

6. Prove that if  $5n + 2$  is odd, then so is  $n$ .

**Proof:** Strategy - prove the contrapositive : Thus assume  $n$  is even, say  $n = 2k$ . Thus  $5n + 2 = 10k + 2 = 2(5k + 1)$ . Thus  $5n + 2$  is even. Done!