

## Math 505 Introduction to Proofs Spring 19 Sample Midterm 1

- (1) Find three distinct elements for the truth sets of the following statements:
- (a)  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ , where the universe is  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ .
  - (b)  $A$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{Z}$  with exactly three elements.
  - (c)  $A$  is an element of  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z})$ .
  - (d)  $A$  is a subset of  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z})$ .

- (2) Consider the statement:

If  $n$  is an even number, then  $n$  is not a cube.

Which, if any, of the following substitutions give a counter example.

- (a)  $n = 27$
- (b)  $n = 64$
- (c)  $n = 16$

- (3) Write out a careful proof of the fact that the square of an odd number is odd.

- (4) What is  $\mathcal{P}(\{1\})$ ? What is  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\{1\}))$ ?

- (5) If  $A \cup B = A \cup C$  does this imply that  $B = C$ ?

- (6) State which of the following statements, are true, vacuously true, or false.

- (a) If  $A \cap B \supseteq A$ , then  $A \subseteq B$ .
- (b) If  $\mathcal{P}(A) = \emptyset$ , then  $A = \emptyset$ .
- (c) If  $A \in B$  and  $B \in C$ , then  $A \in C$ .

- (7) Suppose  $A$  and  $B$  are finite sets with  $|A| = a$ ,  $|B| = b$  and  $|A \cap B| = c$ . Find

- (a)  $|A \setminus B|$
- (b)  $|B \times (A \cap B)|$
- (c)  $|\mathcal{P}(A \cap B)|$

- (8) There is an island where all people either always lie, or always tell the truth.

You meet three people,  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ .

$A$  says: At least two of us are truth tellers.

$B$  says:  $A$  is lying.

$C$  says:  $B$  is lying.

What can you deduce?

- (9) There is an island where all people either always lie, or always tell the truth. You meet  $D$  who says “I am lying.” What can you deduce?