

Review Problems, Exam I

Math 2440 – Discrete Structures and Algorithms, I

- Let $P(x)$ be the statement $x = x^4$. If the domain consists of integers, what are these truth values?
(a) $P(0)$, (b) $P(2)$, (c) $P(-1)$, (d) $\forall xP(x)$ and (e) $\exists xP(x)$.
- Construct a truth table for each of these compound propositions
$$p \vee \neg q, \quad (p \vee \neg q) \rightarrow q, \quad (p \vee q) \rightarrow (p \wedge q).$$
- Consider the statement “The sum of any two perfect squares is a perfect square. ”
Prove or disprove this statement.
- Show that
(a) $p \vee (p \wedge q)$ and p
(b) $p \rightarrow q$ and $(\neg q) \rightarrow (\neg p)$
are logically equivalent.
- Write the negation of the following statements:
(a) $\forall x \exists y (2x + 11 > y^2)$.
(b) $\exists x \forall y (x + y = 0)$.
- Prove that if x^{100} is irrational, then x is irrational.
- Translate the statement “The sum of any two positive integers is a positive integer” into a logical expression using quantifiers.
- Let n be an integer. Prove that if $3n + 5$ is odd, then n is even.
- Let n be an integer.
(a) Prove that if n is odd then $2n + 3$ is odd.
(b) Prove that if $7n + 8$ is odd then n is odd.
- Domain of $x = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$. Write out each of these propositions using disjunctions, conjunctions and negations.
(a) $\exists xP(x)$
(b) $\forall xP(x)$
(c) $\neg (\forall xP(x))$.