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METU MATH 111, Midterm 1

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Instructions: Please, show clearly the logic of your solutions.

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Problem 1. (4+4+4 pts) (a) Is the statement $(P \leftrightarrow Q) \wedge (P \wedge \neg Q)$ a tautology, a contradiction, or neither? (Explain.)

(b) Show that statement $P \rightarrow (Q \vee R)$ is equivalent to $(P \wedge \neg Q) \rightarrow R$.

(c) Record (using the logical symbols) the following claim.

For every a , the equation $ax^2 + 4x - 2 = 0$ has at least one solution iff $a \geq -2$.

Problem 2. (3+3+3+3 pts) Suppose that $P(x, y)$ means “ x divides y ”, and the universe is the set of positive integers. Determine whether the following statements are true or false. Explain (briefly).

(a) $\exists y \forall x P(x, y)$

(b) $\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$

(c) $\exists x \exists y P(x, y)$

(d) $\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$

Problem 3. (6+6 pts) Negate the following statements and simplify the result (the answer may contain negation only of P , Q , and R).

(a) $(P \vee \neg Q) \wedge \neg R$

(b) $\forall x (P(x) \rightarrow Q(x))$

Problem 4. (4+8 pts) Suppose that A , B , and C are sets.

(a) State that $A \cap B \cap C \neq \emptyset$ (use an appropriate quantifier and logical connectives).

(b) Prove that $A \setminus (B \setminus C) = (A \setminus B) \cup (A \cap C)$. Express clearly the logic of your proof!

Problem 5. (6+6 pts) Prove the following propositions. (Express clearly your logic).

(a) If n is an integer and $n^3 + 5$ is odd, then n is even.

(b) There does not exist a positive real number a such that $a + \frac{1}{a} < 2$.