

**Spring 2014 COT 3100 Multiple Choice Exam #1 Version A**

1) For how many combinations of values of p and q is  $p \rightarrow q$  true?

- a) 0            b) 1            c) 2            d) 3            e) 4

**D – The simplified expression is  $\bar{p} \vee q$ , which is true for 3 of the 4 possible truth settings. It's false for p = true, q = false.**

2) What is the inverse of  $\bar{q} \rightarrow p$  ? (Note: Only choose an answer that applies the definition of converse to this statement directly. Do NOT, for example, choose the contrapositive of the converse.)

- a)  $p \rightarrow q$       b)  $p \rightarrow \bar{q}$       c)  $q \rightarrow p$       d)  $\bar{p} \rightarrow \bar{q}$       e) None of the Above

**E – The actual converse of the given expression is  $q \rightarrow \bar{p}$ , which isn't listed.**

3) Which Logic Law is being applied in the example below?

$$(\bar{r} \wedge q) \vee (\bar{r} \wedge \bar{p}) \leftrightarrow \bar{r} \wedge (q \vee \bar{p})$$

- a) Commutative      b) Associative      c) Distributive      d) De Morgan's  
e) None of the Above

**C – This is written in the reverse order of the Distributive property on the formula sheet, so that's the correct answer.**

4) In class we covered a Boolean expression that checked the satisfiability of a Sudoku puzzle. In particular, the variable  $p(i, j, n)$  is set to true iff the cell in row i, column j has the value n. Which constraint is checked by the following Boolean expression?

$$\bigwedge_{j=1}^9 \bigwedge_{n=1}^9 \bigvee_{i=1}^9 p(i, j, n)$$

- a) Each row contains every number      b) Each column contains every number  
c) Each 3 x 3 box contains every number      d) The sum of each row is 45.  
e) None of the above

**B – The outer AND is iterating through each column. The two inner “loops” ensure that each number appears in column j.**

5) Imagine that your goal is to disprove  $\forall x \exists y P(x, y)$ . If you could prove which of the following would you successfully disprove the claim?

- a)  $\forall y \overline{P(7, y)}$       b)  $\exists y \overline{P(3, y)}$       c)  $\forall y P(5, y)$       d)  $\exists y P(4, y)$   
e) None of the Above

**A – To disprove a for all statement, you must show the existence of some x for which that statement isn't true. What choice A does is show that for  $x = 7$ , there isn't a single y for which the given statement is true. This contradicts the statement that for all x, there exists some y that makes the statement true.**

6) Which of the following is equivalent to  $\nexists x P(x)$ ?

- a)  $\forall x P(x)$       b)  $\forall x \overline{P(x)}$       c)  $\exists x P(x)$       d)  $\exists x \overline{P(x)}$   
e) None of the Above

**B – If there isn't an x for which the statement is true, then for all x, the statement is false.**

7) Given the following premises, which of the following conclusions can be drawn with confidence?

- i)  $p \rightarrow q$       ii)  $\bar{r} \rightarrow \bar{q}$       iii)  $p$   
a)  $r$       b)  $\bar{r}$       c)  $\bar{q}$       d)  $q \rightarrow p$       e) None of the Above

**A – Use the contrapositive of (ii) to show that  $q \rightarrow r$ , and the Law of Syllogism and (i) to conclude that  $p \rightarrow r$ . Finally, invoke (iii) with Modus Ponens to prove that r must be true.**

8) Consider the following statement: if a is an odd integer, then  $(3a + 1)(2a - 2)$  is divisible by 8. Which proof technique is used below to prove it?

Assume a is odd. Then there exists an integer n such that  $a = 2n + 1$ . Substitute into the given expression:

$$(3a + 1)(2a - 2) = (3(2n+1) + 1)(2(2n+1) - 2) = (6n + 4)(4n) = 8n(3n+2).$$

Since n is an integer,  $n(3n + 2)$  is as well, and the given expression is divisible by 8.

- a) Proof by Contradiction      b) Proof of the Contrapositive      c) Proof of the Inverse  
d) Direct Proof      e) None of the above.

**D – We start with the given information and make deductions. That is direct proof.**

9) In class you saw a proof that  $\sqrt{2}$  is irrational. Which proof technique was used to derive this result?

- a) Proof by Contradiction      b) Proof of the Contrapositive      c) Proof of the Inverse  
d) Direct Proof      e) None of the above.

**A – In the beginning of the proof we assume that  $\sqrt{2}$  can be expressed as a fraction. Thus, the technique used is proof by contradiction.**

10) The statement, "For all positive real values  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $\frac{x+y}{2} > \sqrt{xy}$ ", is false. Which of the following pairs of values for  $x$  and  $y$  provide a counter-example that disproves this statement?

- a)  $x = 3, y = 5$       b)  $x = 4, y = 4$       c)  $x = 5, y = 3$       d)  $x = 0, y = 0$   
e) None of the above

**B – If you plug in 4 for both  $x$  and  $y$ , then the two quantities in question are equal. Since 4 is positive, this disproves the statement. Note that  $x = 0$  and  $y = 0$  also makes the quantities equal, but the statement says nothing about what occurs when you plug in values that aren't positive, so this choice DOESN'T disprove the statement as written.**

11) Which of the following is true, about the following infinite sets defined in the text (and most other math books)?

- a)  $Z^+ \subseteq N \subseteq R \subseteq Q$       b)  $N \subseteq Q \subseteq R \subseteq Z$       c)  $N \subseteq Z \subseteq R \subseteq Q$   
d)  $N \subseteq Z^+ \subseteq R \subseteq Q$       e) None of the Above

**E – None of these are true. The set of Reals (R) is the most inclusive, but doesn't appear that way in any choice. If you flip Q and R in choice A, that would be one valid answer.**

12) How many elements are in the Cartesian product of  $\{2, 4, 5, 7, 12\}$  and  $\{a, q, r, z\}$ ?

- a) 4      b) 5      c) 9      d) 20      e) None of the Above

**D – In a Cartesian Product, we pair each item in the first set with the second. This can be illustrated in a grid. So, there are  $5 \times 4 = 20$  elements in the Cartesian product.**

13) There are 23 students in a class. All of the students either play an instrument or play a sport. If exactly 15 students play a sport and exactly 18 students play an instrument, how many students play both a sport and an instrument?

- a) 0      b) 5      c) 8      d) 23      e) None of the Above

**E – Using the Inclusion-Exclusion Principle, we get  $23 = 15 + 18 - x$ , where  $x$  is the number who play both.  $x = 10$ , which isn't a choice.**

14) Let  $f(x) = e^{3x+4}$  and  $g(x) = \sin(5x - 7)$ , which of the following is  $g(f(x))$ ?

- a)  $\sin(5(3x + 4) - 7)$       b)  $\sin(3^{3x+4})$       c)  $\sin(3^{5x-7})$       d)  $\sin(5e^{3x+4} - 7)$   
e) None of the Above

**D – Just plug in  $e^{3x+4}$ , wherever you see  $x$  in the expression  $\sin(5x - 7)$ .**

15) Let  $f(x) = \frac{2x-5}{7}$ , for a domain of all real  $x$ . What is  $f^{-1}(x)$ ?

- a)  $\frac{7}{2x-5}$       b)  $\frac{7}{2}x - \frac{7}{5}$       c)  $\frac{7}{2}x + \frac{5}{2}$       d)  $7x + \frac{5}{2}$       e) None of the Above

**C – Switch  $x$  and  $y$  in the expression and solve for  $y$ . After the first step we get  $7x = 2y - 5$ . Add 5 to both sides, then divide by 2 to get the final answer.**

16) Let  $L_n$  be sequence defined as follows:  $L_1 = 1$ ,  $L_2 = 3$ ,  $L_n = L_{n-1} + L_{n-2}$ , for all integers  $n > 2$ . What is  $L_7$ ?

- a) 18      b) 29      c) 47      d) 76      e) None of the Above

**B –  $L_3 = 4$ ,  $L_4 = 7$ ,  $L_5 = 11$ ,  $L_6 = 18$ ,  $L_7 = 29$ .**

17) What is  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^i$ ?

- a) 1      b) 3      c) 9      d) 16      e) None of the Above

**E – This is an infinite geometric sum with first term 1 and common ratio  $\frac{3}{4}$ . The sum is  $1/(1 - \frac{3}{4}) = 4$ .**

18) If a matrix  $A$  has dimensions  $2 \times 6$  and the matrix product  $AB$  exists, which of the following are possible dimensions of  $B$ ?

- a)  $2 \times 2$       b)  $3 \times 2$       c)  $4 \times 6$       d)  $6 \times 6$       e) None of the Above

**D – The number of columns in the first matrix must equal the number of rows in the second matrix. The only valid choice with 6 rows is choice D.**

19) A complete undirected graph is one where each pair of distinct vertices has a single edge between it. Consider the adjacency matrix of a complete undirected graph with 6 vertices. How many entries in this adjacency matrix would store a 1?

- a) 30      b) 33      c) 35      d) 36      e) None of the Above

**A – There are 6 entries in the whole adjacency matrix, of which the forward diagonal must be all 0s.  $6 \times 6 - 6 = 36 - 6 = 30$ .**

20) The non-profit organization (Red) uses its donations to help fight AIDS. What color is its logo?

- a) red      b) green      c) blue      d) purple      e) yellow

**RED**