

Computer Science Foundation Exam

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Section II A

DISCRETE STRUCTURES SOLUTIONS

**NO books, notes, or calculators may be used,
and you must work entirely on your own.**

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**In this section of the exam, there are three (3) problems.
You must do ALL of them.
They count for 40% of the Discrete Structures exam grade.
Show the steps of your work carefully.**

**Problems will be graded based on the completeness of the solution steps
and not graded based on the answer alone.**

**Credit cannot be given when your results are
unreadable.**

Question #	Max Pts	Category	Passing	Score
1	15	PRF (Induction)	10	
2	15	PRF (Sets)	10	
3	10	PRF (Logic)	6	
ALL	40	---	26	

1) (15 pts) PRF (Induction)

Using proof by induction on n , prove that $8 \mid (3^{2n+1} + 5^{2n+1})$ for all non-negative integers n .

Base case: $n=0$. $3^{2(0)+1} + 5^{2(0)+1} = 3 + 5 = 8$. Since $8 \mid 8$, the base case holds. (2 pts)

Inductive hypothesis: Assume for an arbitrary non-negative integer $n = k$ that $8 \mid (3^{2k+1} + 5^{2k+1})$, namely that there exists some integer c such that $8c = 3^{2k+1} + 5^{2k+1}$. (2 pts)

Inductive step: Prove that for $n = k+1$ that $8 \mid (3^{2(k+1)+1} + 5^{2(k+1)+1})$. (Namely, prove that there exists some integer d such that $8d = 3^{2(k+1)+1} + 5^{2(k+1)+1}$.) (2 pts)

$$\begin{aligned}
 3^{2(k+1)+1} + 5^{2(k+1)+1} &= 3^{2k+3} + 5^{2k+3} && (1 \text{ pt}) \\
 &= 3^2(3^{2k+1}) + 5^2(5^{2k+1}) && (2 \text{ pts}) \\
 &= 9(3^{2k+1}) + 25(5^{2k+1}) \\
 &= 9(3^{2k+1}) + 9(5^{2k+1}) + 16(5^{2k+1}) && (2 \text{ pts}) \\
 &= 9(3^{2k+1} + 5^{2k+1}) + 16(5^{2k+1}) && (1 \text{ pt}) \\
 &= 9(8c) + 16(5^{2k+1}), \text{ using the inductive hypothesis} && (2 \text{ pts}) \\
 &= 8(9c + 2(5^{2k+1})), \text{ which completes the proof, since both } c \text{ and } k && \\
 &\quad \text{are integers.} && (1 \text{ pt})
 \end{aligned}$$

2) (15 pts) PRF (Sets)

Use set laws to prove that the two following sets are equivalent.

$$(1) A \cup B$$

$$(2) (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap \bar{B}) \cup (\bar{A} \cap B)$$

$$(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap \bar{B}) \cup (\bar{A} \cap B) = (A \cap (B \cup \bar{B})) \cup (\bar{A} \cap B), \text{Distributive Law} \quad (3 \text{ pts})$$

$$= (A \cap U) \cup (\bar{A} \cap B), \text{Inverse Law} \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

$$= A \cup (\bar{A} \cap B), \text{Identity Law} \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

$$= (A \cup \bar{A}) \cap (A \cup B), \text{Distributive Law} \quad (3 \text{ pts})$$

$$= U \cap (A \cup B), \text{Inverse Law} \quad (2 \text{ pts})$$

$$= A \cup B, \text{Identity Law} \quad (3 \text{ pts})$$

3) (10 pts) (PRF) Logic

Use the Laws of Logic and Rules of Inference to justify the following argument:

$$\begin{array}{l}
 p \vee q \\
 p \rightarrow r \\
 q \rightarrow s \\
 (r \vee s) \rightarrow t \\
 t \rightarrow (u \wedge v)
 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore v$$

Please name the Law of Logic or Rule of Inference used in each step of your proof.

1. $p \rightarrow r$	Premise
2. $q \rightarrow s$	Premise
3. $p \vee q$	Premise
4. $r \vee s$	Rule of Constructive Dilemma with (1), (2), (3)
5. $(r \vee s) \rightarrow t$	Premise
6. t	Rule of Detachment (Modus Ponens) with (4), (5)
7. $t \rightarrow (u \wedge v)$	Premise
8. $u \wedge v$	Rule of Detachment (Modus Ponens) with (6), (7)
9. v	Rule of Conjunctive Simplification with (8)

Grading: 1 point per step with a 1 point bonus for getting everything correct.