

2.3.4 (8 pts) Use set builder notation to specify the following sets:

- (a) The set of all integers greater than or equal to 5.  $\{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \geq 5\}$
- (b) The set of all even integers.  $\{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x = 2a, a \in \mathbb{Z}\}$
- (c) The set of all positive rational numbers.  $\mathbb{Q}^+$  or  $\{x \in \mathbb{Q} \mid x > 0\}$
- (d) The set of all real numbers greater than 1 and less than 7.  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid 1 < x < 7\}$

2.3.5 (6 pts) For each of the following sets, use English to describe the set or use the roster method to specify all of the elements of the set.

- (a)  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -3 \leq x \leq 5\}$   
The set of all real numbers between -3 and 5, inclusive.
- (b)  $\{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid -3 \leq x \leq 5\}$   
The set of all integers between -3 and 5, inclusive. or  
The set containing -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.
- (c)  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x^2 = 16\}$   
The set containing 4 and -4.

2.4.3 (12 pts) Assume the universal set for each variable is the set of integers. Write each of the following statements as an English sentence that does not use the symbols for quantifiers.

- (a)  $(\exists m)(\exists n)(m > n)$   
There exists an  $m$  such that there is an  $n$  where  $m > n$ .
- (b)  $(\exists m)(\forall n)(m > n)$   
There exists an  $m$  such that for every  $n$ ,  $m > n$ .
- (c)  $(\forall m)(\exists n)(m > n)$   
For each  $m$ , there is an  $n$  such that  $m > n$ .
- (d)  $(\forall m)(\forall n)(m > n)$   
For every  $m$ ,  $m$  is greater than every  $n$ .
- (e)  $(\exists n)(\forall m)(m^2 > n)$   
There exists an  $n$  such that the square of every  $m$  is greater.
- (f)  $(\forall n)(\exists m)(m^2 > n)$   
For every  $n$ , there exists an  $m$  such that  $m^2 > n$ .

3.1.8 (4 pts) Determine if each of the following propositions is true or false. Justify each conclusion.

- (a) For all integers  $a$  and  $b$ , if  $ab \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$ , then  $a \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$  or  $b \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$ .  
This proposition is false. Consider  $a = 2$  and  $b = 3$ .

$$2 \cdot 3 \equiv_6 0 \text{ however } 2 \not\equiv_6 0 \text{ and } 3 \not\equiv_6 0$$

- (b) For all  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $a^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{8}$ , then  $a \equiv 2 \pmod{8}$ . This proposition is false. Consider  $a = 6$ .

$$36 \equiv_8 4 \text{ however } 6 \not\equiv_8 2$$

**3.1.11 (10 pts)** Let  $r$  be a positive real number. The equation for a circle of a radius  $r$  whose center is the origin is  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ .

(a) +3 Use implicit differentiation to determine  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x}{y}$$

(b) +2 Let  $(a, b)$  be a point on the circle with  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ . Determine the slope of the line tangent to the circle at the point  $(a, b)$ .

From part (a), the slope of the line tangent to the circle at  $(a, b)$  is  $-\frac{a}{b}$ .

(c) +5 Prove that the radius of the circle to the point  $(a, b)$  is perpendicular to the line tangent to the circle at the point  $(a, b)$ .

*Proof.* Two lines are perpendicular if and only if their corresponding slopes are negative reciprocals. From part (b), we see that the slope of the tangent line at the point  $(a, b)$  is given by  $m_1 = -\frac{a}{b}$ . The slope of the radius from the center to  $(a, b)$  is given by  $m_2 = \frac{b-0}{a-0} = \frac{b}{a}$ . From this we see that  $m_1 \cdot m_2 = -1$  and thus the slopes are negative reciprocals. Therefore, the radius of the circle to the point  $(a, b)$  is perpendicular to the line tangent to the circle at  $(a, b)$ .  $\square$

**3.1.12 (12 pts)** Determine if each of the following statements is true or false. Provide a counterexample for statements that are false and provide a complete proof for those that are true.

(a) +2 For all real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $\sqrt{xy} \leq \frac{x+y}{2}$ .

This proposition is false. Consider  $x = -1$  and  $y = -4$

$$\sqrt{-1 \cdot -4} = \sqrt{4} = 2 \not\leq \frac{-1 + -4}{2} = -\frac{5}{2}$$

(b) +5 For all real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $xy \leq \left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right)^2$ .

This proposition is true.

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}(x - y)^2 &\geq 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - 2xy + y^2 \geq 0 \\ &\Rightarrow x^2 + 2xy + y^2 \geq 4xy \\ &\Rightarrow (x + y)^2 \geq 4xy \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{(x + y)^2}{4} \geq xy \\ &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{x + y}{2}\right)^2 \geq xy\end{aligned}$$

Thus, for all real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $xy \leq \left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right)^2$ .  $\square$

(c) +5 For all nonnegative real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $\sqrt{xy} \leq \frac{x+y}{2}$ .

This proposition is true.

*Proof.* We begin by duplicating the steps used in part(b),

Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $x, y \geq 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}(x-y)^2 \geq 0 &\Rightarrow x^2 - 2xy + y^2 \geq 0 \\ &\Rightarrow x^2 + 2xy + y^2 \geq 4xy \\ &\Rightarrow (x+y)^2 \geq 4xy \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{(x+y)^2}{4} \geq xy \\ &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right)^2 \geq xy\end{aligned}$$

Since for all  $x \geq 0$ ,  $\sqrt{x^2} = x$  and since for  $x, y \geq 0$ ,  $xy \geq 0$ , we can take the square root of both sides, maintaining the inequality relationship.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+y}{2} \geq \sqrt{xy}$$

Thus, for all nonnegative real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ ,  $\sqrt{xy} \leq \frac{x+y}{2}$ . □

**3.1.13** (5 pts) Use one of the true inequalities in Exercise (12) to prove the following proposition.

For each real number,  $a$ , the value of  $x$  that gives the maximum value of  $x(a-x)$  is  $x = \frac{a}{2}$ .

*Proof.* Using part (b) from above with  $x = x$  and  $y = (a-x)$ , we have

$$x(a-x) \leq \frac{x+(a-x)}{2} = \frac{a}{2}$$

Thus,  $\frac{a}{2}$  is the maximum value of  $x(a-x)$ . Solving for  $x$ , gives

$$x(a-x) = \frac{a}{2} \Rightarrow x^2 - ax + \frac{a}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{a}{2}\right)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{a}{2}$$

Therefore,  $x = \frac{a}{2}$  gives the maximum value of  $x(a-x)$ . □

**3.2.10** (5 pts) Prove that for each integer  $a$ , if  $a^2 - 1$  is even, then 4 divides  $a^2 - 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a^2 - 1$  is even. Then there exists a  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a^2 - 1 = 2k \Rightarrow a^2 = 2k + 1$ . Thus,  $a^2$  and therefore  $a$  are odd.

Then there exists a  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a = 2j + 1$ . Now consider,

$$a^2 - 1 = (2j + 1)^2 - 1 = 4j^2 + 4j + 1 - 1 = 4(j^2 + j)$$

Therefore, 4 divides  $a^2 - 1$ . □

**3.2.11 (5 pts)** Prove that for all integers  $a$  and  $m$ , if  $a$  and  $m$  are the lengths of the sides of a right triangle and  $m + 1$  is the length of the hypotenuse, then  $a$  is an odd integer.

*Proof.* Let  $a, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  defined as given above. Then by the Pythagorean Theorem,

$$a^2 + m^2 = (m + 1)^2 \Rightarrow a^2 + m^2 = m^2 + 2m + 1 \Rightarrow a^2 = 2m + 1$$

Then,  $a^2$  is odd and thus  $a$  is odd. □

**3.3.16 (8 pts)** Three natural numbers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  with  $a < b < c$  are called a **Pythagorean triple** provided that  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ . For example, the numbers 3, 4, and 5 form a Pythagorean triple, and the numbers 5, 12, and 13 form a Pythagorean triple.

(a) +1 Verify that if  $a = 20$ ,  $b = 21$ , and  $c = 29$ , then  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ , and hence, 20, 21, and 29 form a Pythagorean triple.

I trust that everyone can use the Pythagorean Theorem.

(b) +2 Determine two other Pythagorean triples. That is, find integers  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  such that  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ .

I trust that everyone can use the Pythagorean Theorem.

(c) +5 Is the following proposition true or false? Justify your conclusion.

Let  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  be integers. If  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ , then  $a$  is even or  $b$  is even.

The proposition is true.

*Proof.* Using a proof by contradiction, let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$  and assume that both  $a$  and  $b$  are odd. Then there exists  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$a = 2m + 1 \text{ and } b = 2n + 1$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 = c^2 &\Rightarrow (2m + 1)^2 + (2n + 1)^2 = c^2 \\ &\Rightarrow 4m^2 + 4m + 4n^2 + 4n + 2 = c^2 \\ &\Rightarrow 4k + 2 = c^2, \text{ for } k = m^2 + m + n^2 + n \\ &\Rightarrow 2(2k + 1) = c^2 \end{aligned}$$

We see that our perfect square  $c$  must be the product of an odd and even integer - an impossibility and thus a contradiction to our assumption that both  $a$  and  $b$  are odd<sup>1</sup>. □

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<sup>1</sup>You could also carry the proof further as follows

$$2(2k + 1) = c^2 \Rightarrow c^2 \text{ is even} \Rightarrow c \text{ is even} \Rightarrow c = 2j \Rightarrow 2(2k + 1) = 4j^2 \Rightarrow 2k + 1 = 2j^2$$

This implies that  $2k + 1$  is divisible by 2, also a contradiction.