

NB: Please deposit your solutions in the appropriate box **by 4 p.m. on the due date**. Late assignments or assignments placed into incorrect boxes will not be marked. Use a mathematics department cover sheet. These are available from outside the Resource Centre. **PLEASE SHOW ALL WORKING.**

1. For each of the sentences, answer the following questions.

Is it a statement? A predicate?

List the free and bound variables (if any).

Express each symbolically in terms of the statements, predicates, sets and relations given.

Decide if it is a theorem, tautology or contradiction (or none of these).

If the statement is a theorem, prove it. If it is false, give a counterexample.

- "A or B but not both" in terms of 'A' and 'B'.
- "Either exactly one of the statements A, B and C is true, or they all are" in terms of 'A', 'B' and 'C'.
- "Everybody loves somebody sometime" in terms of the set of all people 'P', the set of all times 'T', and the predicate $R(x,y,t)$ = 'person x loves person y at time t'.
- "Nobody loves everybody all the time" using the same notation as part c.
- "Given integers a and b satisfying $a < b$, there is a rational number c such that $a < c$ and $c < b$ " in terms of the sets 'Q' and 'Z' (rational numbers and integers) and the predicate $R(x,y)$ = 'the rational number x is less than the rational number y'.

2. Construct truth tables for the following compound statements. Are either of them tautologies? Rewrite them using only the symbols A, B, C, \sim , \vee and \wedge . If possible, simplify them. (The truth tables may help here.)

$$(A \implies B) \wedge \sim(A \iff C)$$

$$\sim(\sim(A \vee \sim B) \wedge \sim(\sim A \vee B))$$

3. (a) Prove "for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, 3 divides $n \iff 3$ divides n^3 " using a proof by cases.

You can assume that every integer can be written in exactly 1 of the following forms (with $k \in \mathbb{Z}$): $3k$, $3k + 1$, $3k + 2$.

Note: $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ divides $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ if there exists $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ac = b$.

- (b) Now use the first part and a proof by contradiction to prove that there is no $d \in \mathbb{Q}$ satisfying $d^3 = 3$.

You may use the fact that every rational number can be expressed in the form a/b where $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ have no common factor. (Meaning no integers except 1 and -1 divide both a and b.)

4. Prove the following theorems from set-theory.

(a) $B \setminus (B \setminus A) = A \cap B$.

(b) $(A \cup B^c)^c = A^c \cap B$.

(c) Every set except the empty set has a proper subset.