MATHS 255

(Total 80 marks)

### 1. (15=2+3+2+2+3+3 marks)

- (a) "19 is a prime number" is a statement, which we would translate as P(19) (where P(n) denotes "n is prime").
- (b) "If n is even then n is not prime" is a predicate, which we would translate as  $E(n) \implies \sim P(n)$ (where E(n) denotes "n is even and P(n) denotes "n is prime"). If we assume the predicate for all such n it becomes a statement we can prove false by counterexample. If n is even then n = 2.p so n has factors other than itself and 1 so is not prime, except when n = 2, when n is both prime and even. Counterexample.
- (c) "Is 13 a prime number?" is neither a statement nor a predicate. It is a question.
- (d) "Solve  $x^2 4 = 0$ " is neither a statement nor a predicate. It is a command.
- (e) "Every even number is the sum of two odd numbers" is a statement, which we would symbolise as  $(\forall n \in \mathbb{N})(E(n) \implies (\exists m, k)(O(m) \land O(k) \land S(m, k, n)))$  (where E(n) denotes "n is even" and S(m, k, n) denotes "m + k = n"). It is true since if n is even then n = 2.p = p + p = (p-1) + (p+1). If p is odd then the first expression gives two odd numbers and if p is even the second expression dies likewise.
- (f) "There exists a real number n such that for all real r, r.n = n.r = n" is a statement, which we would symbolise as  $(\exists n \in \mathbb{R})(\forall r \in \mathbb{R})(n.r = r.n = n)$ . The statement is true since  $0.r = r.0 = 0 \forall r$

### 2. (12=4x3 marks)

(a) We have the truth table

A	B	$(\sim$	A)	$\vee$	B	$\land$	$ \sim$	(A	$\implies$	B)
Т	Т	F	Т	Т	Т	F	F	Т	Т	Т
Т	F	F	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	F	Т	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$
F	Т	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	Т	F	F	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	Т
F	F	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	F	F	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	$\mathbf{F}$

From this we see that the main column contains only Fs, so the statement is a contradiction.

(b) We have the truth table

A	B	$ \sim$	(A	$\wedge$	B)	$\implies$	$\sim$	(A	$\vee$	B)
Т	Т	F	Т	Т	Т	Т	F	Т	Т	Т
Т	F	T	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	F	F	Т	Т	$\mathbf{F}$
$\mathbf{F}$	Т	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	F	F	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	Т
$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$

Since both Ts and Fs occur in the principal column, this is neither a tautology nor a contradiction.

(c) We have the truth table

A	В	(A	$\implies$	B)	$\iff$	(A	$\vee$	$\sim$	B)
Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	Т	F	Т
Т	F	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	F	Т	Т	Т	$\mathbf{F}$
$\mathbf{F}$	Т	F	Т	Т	F	F	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	Т
$\mathbf{F}$	F	F	Т	F	Т	F	Т	Т	$\mathbf{F}$

Again this is neither.

(d) We have the truth table

A	B	(~	A	$\implies$	B)	$\implies$	(~	B	$\implies$	A)
Т	Т	F	Т	Т	Т	Т	F	Т	Т	Т
Т	F	F	Т	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	T	Т	Т	Т
$\mathbf{F}$	Т	T	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	Т	Т	F	$\mathbf{F}$	Т	$\mathbf{F}$
$\mathbf{F}$	F	Т	$\mathbf{F}$	$\mathbf{F}$	F	Т	T	$\mathbf{F}$	F	F

This statement is a tautology.

## 3. (12=1+1+1+1+2+2+2 marks)

- (a) The contrapositive of A(n) is "If  $n^2 + 1$  is even then n is not a multiple of 4".
- (b) The converse of A(n) is "If  $n^2 + 1$  is odd then n is a multiple of 4".
- (c) The negation of A(n) is "n is a multiple of 4 and  $n^2 + 1$  is even".
- (d) A(n) is true for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ : for example, A(4) is true (since 4 is even and  $17 = 4^2 + 1$  is odd).
- (e) A(n) is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We give a direct proof. Suppose n is a multiple of 4. Then n = 4k for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and so  $n^2 + 1 = 16k^2 + 1 = 2(8k^2) + 1$ , and  $8k^2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so  $n^2 + 1$  is odd.
- (f) By (d) and (e), the contrapositive is true for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and indeed for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , since it is equivalent to A(n) itself.
- (g) The converse of A(n) is true for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ : for example the converse of A(4) is (vacuously) true since  $4^2 + 1 = 3$  is odd and 4 is a multiple of 4.
- (h) The converse of A(n) is not true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We give a counterexample.  $2^2 + 1 = 5$  odd but 2 is not a multiple of 4.
- 4. (8 marks) If  $\sqrt[3]{3}$  is rational then it can be expressed as  $3 = \frac{p^3}{q^3}$  with p and q having no common factors. So  $p^3 = 3q^3$ . So  $p^3$  is a multiple of 3. So p is a multiple of 3. So p = 3k. So  $p^3 = 27k^3 = 3q^3$ . I.e.  $3(k^3) = q^3$ . So  $q^3$  is a multiple of 3. So q is a multiple of 3. Contradicting p, q having no common factors.

## 5. (9=3x3 marks)

- (a) Suppose m < n. Then (since  $m, n \ge 0$ )  $m^3 < mmn < mnn < n^3$ , so  $m^3 + m < n^3 + n$ , i.e. f(m) < f(n).
- (b) Suppose  $m \not\leq n$ . Then  $n \leq m$ . If n < m then, by (a), f(m) < f(n), and if m = n then f(m) = f(n). So we have  $f(n) \leq f(m)$ , so  $f(m) \not\leq f(n)$ . Hence, by contraposition, if f(m) < f(n) then m < n.

- (c) Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . [We must show that if f(m) = f(n) then m = n.] Suppose, for a contradiction, that f(m) = f(n) but  $m \neq n$ . Since  $m \neq n$  we have m < n or n < m. So, by (a), we have f(m) < f(n) or f(n) < f(m). Either way, we have  $f(m) \neq f(n)$ , contradicting our assumption that f(m) = f(n). Hence if f(m) = f(n) then m = n, in other words f is one-to-one.
- 6. (a) (3 marks) Let  $A = \{1, 2\}$  and  $B = \{2, 3\}$ . Then  $A \setminus B = \{1\}$ , but  $A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and  $A \cap B = \{2\}$ . Thus  $(A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B) = \{1, 3\}$ .
  - (b) (3 marks)  $B \subseteq C \iff (x \in B \implies x \in C)$ .  $x \in B \setminus A \implies (x \in B) \land (x \notin A) \implies (x \in C) \land (x \notin A) \implies x \in C \setminus A$ .
  - (c) (3 marks)  $A \subseteq B \iff (x \in A \implies x \in B)$ . So  $A \wedge B^{\mathcal{C}} \neq \varnothing \iff \exists x : (x \in A) \wedge (x \in B^{\mathcal{C}}) \implies x \in B \wedge (x \in B^{\mathcal{C}})$ . Contradiction. On the other hand  $A \wedge B^{\mathcal{C}} = \varnothing \implies ((x \in A) \implies (x \notin B^{\mathcal{C}}) \implies x \in B))$ , so  $A \subseteq B$ .
  - (d) (3 marks)  $(B \setminus A) \cup (A \cap B) = (B \cap A^{\mathcal{C}}) \cup (B \cap A) = A.$   $B \subseteq A \cup B$ , so  $A \cup B = B \iff A \cup B \subseteq B \implies A \subseteq B$  since  $((x \in A) \lor (x \in B) \implies (x \in B)) \implies ((x \in A) \implies (x \in B)).$
  - (e) (**5 marks**)

$$x \in A \setminus \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} B_{\alpha} \iff x \in A \land x \notin \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} B_{\alpha}$$
$$\iff x \in A \land \sim (x \in \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} B_{\alpha})$$
$$\iff x \in A \land \sim (\exists \alpha \in \Lambda)(x \in B_{\alpha})$$
$$\iff x \in A \land (\forall \alpha \in \Lambda)(x \notin B_{\alpha})$$
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$$\iff (\forall \alpha \in \Lambda)(x \in A \land x \notin B_{\alpha})$$
$$\iff x \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} (A \setminus B_{\alpha})$$

Thus  $A \setminus \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} B_{\alpha} = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} (A \setminus B_{\alpha}).$ 

# 7. (10=2+3+2+3 marks)

- (a)  $\mathcal{P}(A) = \{ \emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{4\}, \{5\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 4\}, \{1, 5\}, \{2, 4\}, \{2, 5\}, \{4, 5\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{1, 2, 5\}, \{1, 4, 5\}, \{2, 4, 5\}, \{1, 2, 4, 5\} \}$ . So  $\|\mathcal{P}(A)\| = 2^4 = 16$ .
- (b)  $\mathcal{P}(B) = \{ \varnothing, \{3\}, \{5\}, \{6\}, \{3,5\}, \{3,6\}, \{5,6\}, \{3,5,6\} \}.$
- (c)  $\mathcal{P}(A \cap B) = \mathcal{P}(\{5\}) = \{\varnothing, \{5\}\}.$
- (d)  $\|\mathcal{P}(A \cup B)\| = \|\mathcal{P}(\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\})\| = 2^6 = 64.$