

1. **Open Sentences, Generalizations, and Existence Statements:** Classify each of the following, and write any quantifiers explicitly.

(a) “ $2x + 4 = 2(x + 2)$ .”

(b) “ $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$  has a solution.”

(c) “ $x > 5 \implies x^2 > 25$ .”

(d) “ $(ax = ay \text{ and } a \neq 0) \implies x = y$ .”

(e) “ $2x + 3 = 3x + 2$  has a solution.”

2. **Compound Sentences.** Identify the three sentences inherent in the following statement. How do the roles of the variables change as your focus changes from examining the two “sub-sentences” to examining the compound sentence as a whole?

$$x + a = b \iff x = b - a$$

3. **Directions:** How do the following sentences differ in terms of the intended interpretation? Which quantifiers are implied in each case?

(a) “Solve:  $x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$ .”

(b) “True or False:  $x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$ .”

4. **Disproving Generalizations:** Explain how you disprove a generalization. Hint: What type of sentence is the negation of a generalization?

5. **Proving Existence Statements:** Explain how you prove an existential statement. Compare your response with the previous question.

6. **Disproving Generalizations:** The following are to be interpreted as generalizations. For each of them, (i) state the negation and (ii) find a counterexample that disproves the generalization. Be sure to demonstrate that your counterexample makes the negation true! I’ll be looking for this level of justification on the exam.

(a)  $x^2 > 25 \implies x > 5$ .

(b)  $x < 5 \implies x^2 < 25$ .

(c)  $a < b \implies ax < bx$ .

(d)  $(x + y)^2 = x^2 + y^2$ .

7. **Using Definitions:** State the negation in positive form. You may need to expand the statement using definitions. **Note: I will provide the following definitions on the exam!** You should become familiar with their meaning, however.

- $b$  is an upper bound for  $S$  iff  $x \in S \implies x \leq b$ .
- $S$  is bounded above iff there exists  $b$  such that  $b$  is an upper bound for  $S$ .
- $f$  is an increasing function iff  $x < y \implies f(x) < f(y)$ .

(a)  $f(x) = 1 - x$  is an increasing function.

(b) The set  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  is bounded above.

(c)  $S \subset T$ .

8. **Applying Theorems:** (See p. 261.) The quadratic formula reads  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ . In fact, the quadratic formula is the solution-pattern to a certain type of problem.

(a) Write the problem-pattern for the quadratic formula.

(b) Use the quadratic formula to solve for  $x$ :  $x - 3x^2 = -4$ .

(c) Use the quadratic formula to solve for  $x$ :  $y^2 + 2xy + x^2 = 0$ .

(d) Use the quadratic formula to solve for  $b$ :  $2b^2 + bx + c = 0$ .

9. **Other things you should know.** This review sheet is not comprehensive. Here are a few other things I expect you to be able to do:

- Identify placeholders vs. free variables, and unknowns vs. parameters.
- Know definitions of terms such as  $S \subset T$ ,  $S \cap T$ ,  $S \cup T$ . (See p. 262, Ex. 3, to see what I mean).
- Use symbols such as  $\exists$ ,  $\forall$ , s.t., etc., to appropriately write concise mathematical statements. *Please use as many quantifiers as are necessary to make the meaning clear! Friday's quiz was unique, in that I told you ahead of time not to write  $\forall x$  when it was clearly implied. On the exam, I'd like you to show me that you know it is supposed to be there!*
- And so on... let the homework and old exams (available at Cards'n'Copies) be your guide.