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Math 301 Discrete Mathematics – Crawford

Quiz 2

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Books, calculators, and notes (in any form) are not allowed. Show all your work for credit. *Good luck!*

1. (8 pts) State whether the following arguments are valid or invalid. If it is a valid argument, state whether the form is modus ponens or modus tollens. If it is an invalid argument, state whether it exhibits the converse error or the inverse error.

(a). All safe drivers obey the traffic laws.  
Mayhem is not a safe driver.  
 $\therefore$  Mayhem does not obey traffic laws.

(b). All Jedi use the Force.  
Rey uses the Force.  
 $\therefore$  Rey is a Jedi.

(c). All tourists in Chicago eat deep dish pizza.  
Jill did not eat deep dish pizza.  
 $\therefore$  Jill is not a tourist in Chicago.

2. (4 pts) Indicate whether the following argument is valid or invalid. Support your answer by drawing diagrams.

All discrete mathematics students can tell a valid argument from an invalid one.  
All thoughtful people can tell a valid argument from an invalid one.  
 $\therefore$  All discrete mathematics students are thoughtful.

3. (4 pts) Fill in the blanks to the following proof.

THEOREM Whenever  $n$  is an odd integer,  $3n^2 + 5$  is even.

PROOF Suppose  $n$  is any odd integer. [Show that \_\_\_\_\_.]

By definition of odd,  $n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  for some integer  $k$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 3n^2 + 5 &= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \\
 &= 3(4k^2 + 4k + 1) + 5 \\
 &= 12k^2 + 12k + 3 + 5 \\
 &= 12k^2 + 12k + 8 \\
 &= \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \\
 &= 2s \text{ where } s = \underline{\hspace{2cm}},
 \end{aligned}$$

And  $s$  is an \_\_\_\_\_ since \_\_\_\_\_.

i.e.,  $3n^2 + 5 = 2s$ , for integer  $s$ .

Therefore by \_\_\_\_\_,  $3n^2 + 5$  is even. ■

4. (2 pts) Disprove the following statement by giving a counterexample:

For all integers  $n$ , if  $n$  is prime then  $(-1)^n = -1$ .

5. (2 pts) Prove:

There are distinct integers  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}$  is an integer.