

Homework 2 MORALLY Due Feb 14 at 9:00AM
WARNING: THIS HW IS TWO PAGES LONG!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

1. (25 points)

(a) (10 points) Use truth table so show that

$$\neg(p \vee q \vee r) \equiv \neg p \wedge \neg q \wedge \neg r$$

(This is called *DeMorgan's law on three variables*.)

(b) (15 points) Consider the statement:

$$\text{For all } n \ [\neg(p_1 \vee \cdots \vee p_n) \equiv \neg p_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \neg p_n]$$

Prove it. Note that you cannot use Truth Table since we want it for all n . Do not use Induction (later when we learn induction we will do that). Use reasoning about what the truth table for both sides must look like.

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2. (25 points – 5 points each) For each of the following statements write the negation without using any negations signs.

(a) $x = 4$

(b) $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq x_3 \leq x_4$

(c) $x \geq 5$ AND $x \geq 10$

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3. (35 points) Let $n \in \mathbf{N}$. $\text{NSQ}(n)$ is the least number such that n can be written as the sum of $\text{NSQ}(n)$ squares. Clearly $\text{NSQ}(n) \leq n$ since

$$n = 1^2 + \cdots + 1^2.$$

It is known that $\text{NSQ}(n) \leq 4$.

In this problem you will write and run two programs that will, given $n \in \mathbf{N}$, find a bound on $\text{NSQ}(n)$.

- (a) Write a program that will, given n , does the following:
- Find the largest n_1 such that $n_1^2 \leq n$. If $n - n_1^2 = 0$ then you are done: $n = n_1^2$ so output 1. If not then goto the next step.
 - Find the largest n_2 such that $n_2^2 \leq n - n_1^2$. If $n - n_1^2 = 0$ then you are done: $n = n_1^2 + n_2^2$ so output 2. If not then ...
 - Keep going like this until there is an output.
- (b) Write a program that will, given n , find, for all $1 \leq i \leq n$, a number $A[i]$ such that i can be written as the sum of $A[i]$ squares.
- $A[0] \leftarrow 0$ (0 can be written as the sum of 0 squares).
 - $A[1] \leftarrow 1$ (1 can be written as the sum of 1 square).
 - For $i \leftarrow 2$ to n

$$A[i] \leftarrow 1 + \min\{A[i - j^2] : i - j^2 \geq 0\}$$

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4. (5 points) Run the first program on $n = 1, 2, \dots, 1000$. List out all of the n where the answer was ≥ 5 .
5. (0 points) How would you fill in the following sentence
The first program on input n outputs a number ≥ 5 iff BLANK.
6. (5 points) Run the second program on $n = 1000$ (so we now know the answers for $1, \dots, 1000$). List all of the n where $A[n]$ differs from the first program on n .
7. (0 points) How would you fill in the following sentence
The first and second differ on n iff BLANK.
8. (5 points) List all of the n such that $A[n] = 4$.
9. (0 points) How would you fill in the following sentence
 $A[n] = 4$ iff BLANK
10. (Extra Credit) PROVE the following:
There exists an infinite number of $x \in \mathbf{N}$ such that x cannot be written as the sum of ≤ 3 squares-of-naturals.