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term test #2, Version 1  
CSC165H1S

Date: Tuesday November 28, 3:10–4:00pm

Duration: 50 minutes

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Please read the following guidelines carefully!

- Please write your name on both the front and back of this exam.
  - This examination has 4 questions. There are a total of 7 pages, **DOUBLE-SIDED**.
  - Answer questions clearly and completely. Provide justification unless explicitly asked not to.
  - All formulas must have negations applied directly to propositional variables or predicates.
  - In your proofs, you may always use definitions of predicates from the course. You may *not* use any external facts about rates of growth, divisibility, primes, or greatest common divisor unless you prove them, or they are given to you in the question.
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Take a deep breath.  
This is your chance to show us  
How much you've learned.

Good luck!

1. [5 marks] **Induction.** Recall the definition of divisibility:

$$j \mid k: \exists i \in \mathbb{Z}, k = ji, \text{ for } j, k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Now prove the following statement using induction on  $n$ :

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, 5 \mid 4^{2n} - 1$$

2. [5 marks] **Properties of Big-Oh.** Recall the following definitions:

- For all functions  $f, g \in \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0}$ , we say  $f \in \mathcal{O}(g)$  when:

$$\exists c, n_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow f(n) \leq cg(n)$$

- For any real number  $x$ ,  $\lceil x \rceil$  is the smallest integer that is no smaller than  $x$ , and we may use the following characterization of  $\lceil x \rceil$ :

$$x \leq \lceil x \rceil < x + 1$$

Define the function  $\lceil f \rceil(n)$  as  $\lceil f(n) \rceil$ .

- Function  $f$  **eventually dominates 1** if:

$$\exists n_1 \in \mathbb{R}^+, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq n_1 \Rightarrow f(n) \geq 1$$

Use these definitions (you may not use any of the properties of big-Oh from the course notes) to prove that if  $f \in \mathcal{O}(g)$  and  $f$  eventually dominates 1, then  $\lceil f \rceil \in \mathcal{O}(g)$ . Begin by writing a statement, in predicate logic, of what you aim to prove.

## 3. [6 marks] Worst-case runtime

Consider the following algorithm:

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1 def algorithm(L):
2     # assume L is a non-empty list of 0s and 1s
3     n = len(L)
4     parity = L[0]
5     last_switch = 0
6     for i in range(n):           # loop 1
7         if parity != L[i]:
8             last_switch = i
9             parity = L[i]
10
11    for j in range(last_switch):  # loop 2
12        for k in range(j):      # loop 3
13            print("beep!")

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Define  $n = \text{len}(L)$  and  $WC(n)$  as the worst-case runtime function of algorithm. You may find the following formula useful:

$$\sum_{i=0}^m i = \frac{m(m+1)}{2}$$

- (a) [4 marks] Find, and prove, a tight upper bound on  $WC(n)$ . By “tight” we mean that if you choose  $f$  so that  $WC \in \mathcal{O}(f)$  you should be convinced (but no need to prove) that  $WC \in \Omega(f)$  also. Begin by writing a statement, in predicate logic, of what you aim to prove.
- (b) [2 marks] Describe an input family for algorithm whose runtime is in big-Theta of the upper bound from the previous part. Explain your conclusion. No proof is necessary
4. [3 marks] Describe an input family whose runtime is in  $\mathcal{O}(n)$ . Explain your conclusion. No proof is necessary.

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Q2		5
Q3		6
Q4		3
<b>Total</b>		<b>19</b>