

*Ask! Indicate your approach! Show your work! Good Luck! There are 10 problems, 6 pages, and 130 points.*

(1) [10] State the Well-Ordering Property of  $\mathbb{N}$ , and prove that the set of all natural numbers  $n$  such that  $2^n > 1 + 2n + 3n^2$  has a smallest member.

(2) [15] State and prove the Difference-of-Powers Formula.

(3) [15] State the Archimedean Property of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Prove that the set of positive powers of 2 is not bounded above.

(4) [10] Prove that, if  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of a set  $X$ , then:

$$A \cap B = A \cup B \text{ if and only if } A = B.$$

(5) [15] Let  $A$  denote the set of even positive integers,  $B$  the set of positive integers divisible by 3, and  $C$  the set of positive integers divisible by 5. Identify the sets  $A \cap B$ ,  $A \cap C$ ,  $B \cap C$  in a similar way. Identify  $(B \cap C) \setminus (A \cap B \cap C)$ ,  $(A \cup B \cup C)^c$  in words as well. What is the smallest member of  $(A \cup B \cup C)^c$ ?

(6) [15] Suppose that  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function that is not a constant function. Let us define a relation  $\mathcal{O}$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  as follows. We'll say that " $x$  obscures  $y$ " if  $f(x) = f(y)$ . That is, the ordered pair  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{O}$  if and only if  $f(x) = f(y)$ . Prove that "obscures" is an equivalence relation.

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(7) [10] Show that  $9^n - 1$  is a multiple of 8, for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(8) [10] Prove that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $1 + 2 + \cdots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ .

(9) [20] Suppose that  $x > 0$  and  $x^2 < 5$ . Prove that there exists a positive real number  $h < 1$  such that  $(x + h)^2 < 5$ . The reason for forcing  $h < 1$  is that then  $h^2 < h$ .

(10) [10] State the Completeness Axiom. Define all the definable terms you use! Set theoretical terms we'll regard as undefinable.