

Practice Quiz 1

Problem 1 (6 points) Consider the following proposition.

$$\forall x \forall y (x < y \rightarrow \exists z (x < z \wedge z < y))$$

(a) **(2 points)** Prove or disprove this proposition, assuming that the universe is the set of integers.

(b) **(4 points)** Write the negation of this proposition. Your solution may *not* use the $\neg$ symbol, but may use any of the relations $=$, $<$, $>$, $\leq$, or $\geq$.

Problem 2 (10 points) Define the matrix

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let M^n denote the product of n copies of the matrix M . Use ordinary induction to prove that for all $n \geq 1$, the upper right entry of M^n is F_n , the n -th Fibonacci number. State your inductive hypothesis clearly.

For reference, the standard formula for the product of 2×2 matrices is given below.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ae + bg & af + bh \\ ce + dg & cf + dh \end{bmatrix}$$

Recall that $F_0 = 0$, $F_1 = 1$, $F_2 = 1$, $F_3 = 2$, $\dots$.

Problem 3 (12 points) The vertices of a directed graph can be partitioned into *strongly-connected components*. Two vertices u and v belong to the same strongly connected component if there is a path from u to v and a path from v to u . A strongly connected component may consist of a single vertex.

Math Moose has noticed a strange phenomenon. He starts with a directed graph and partitions the vertices into strongly-connected components. He then removes all edges that