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# Spring 2025 Math 245 Exam 1

Please read the following directions:

Please write legibly, with plenty of white space. Please **print** your name and REDID in the designated spaces above. Please fit your answers into the designated areas; material outside the designated areas (such as on this cover page) will not be graded. To get credit, you must also show adequate work to justify your answers. If unsure, show the work. All problems are worth 5-10 points, for a minimum score of 50/100 and a maximum score of 100/100. The use of notes, books, calculators, or other materials on this exam is strictly prohibited, except you may bring one 3"x5" card (both sides) with your handwritten notes. This exam will begin at 10:00 and will end at 10:50; pace yourself accordingly. Good luck!

Special exam instructions for SSW-1500:
1. Please stow all bags/backpacks/boards at the front of the room. Leave the back of the room empty because I will be walking there. All contraband, except phones, must be stowed in your bag. All smartwatches and phones must be silent, non-vibrating, and either in your pocket or stowed in your bag.
2. Please remain quiet to ensure a good test environment for others.
3. Please keep your exam on your desk; do not lift it up for a better look.
4. If you have a question or need to use the restroom, please come to the front. Bring your exam. I cannot come to you unless you are sitting by an aisle, sorry.
5. If you are done and want to submit your exam and leave, please wait until one of the three designated exit times, listed below. Please do **NOT** leave at any other time. If you are sure you are done, just sit and wait until the next exit time, with this cover sheet visible.

Designated exam exit times:
   10:20 "I need to work harder"
   10:40 "I can't wait to get out of here"
   10:50 "I need every second I can get"

REMINDER: Use complete sentences.

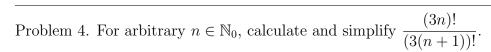Problem 1. Carefully define the following terms:

   a. tautology

   b. xor

Problem 2. Carefully state the following theorems:

   a. Distributivity (for propositions)
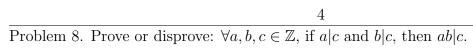
   b. Simplification Semantic Theorem

Problem 3. Let $p, q, r, s$ be propositions. Prove that $(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (r \wedge s)$ is NOT equivalent to $(r \wedge s) \rightarrow (p \wedge q)$.

**Problem 4.** For arbitrary $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, calculate and simplify $\dfrac{(3n)!}{(3(n+1))!}$.

**Problem 5.** Carefully state the commutativity theorem for disjunction. Then, prove it without truth tables, using at most two cases.

**Problem 6.** Without truth tables, prove that, for all propositions $p, q, r$, we have
$p \rightarrow q, q \rightarrow r, r \rightarrow p \vdash p \leftrightarrow q$.

**Problem 7.** Let $x \in \mathbb{Z}$. Prove that if $x^3$ is odd, then $x$ is odd.

Problem 8. Prove or disprove: $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $a|c$ and $b|c$, then $ab|c$.

Problem 9. Prove or disprove: $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}$, $|7x - 10| \geq 2$.

Problem 10. Prove or disprove: $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $|7x - 10y| \geq 2$.