

3 Discrete Mathematics I (SS)

- (a) Consider the following assertions about the sets A , B and C . Write them down in the language of predicate logic. Use only the constructions of predicate logic (\forall , \exists , \neg , \Rightarrow , \wedge , \vee) and the element-of symbol (\in). Do *not* use derived notions (\cap , \cup , $=$, etc.).

Example: “ A is a subset of B ” can be formalized as $\forall x. x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$.

- (i) The sets A and B are equal.
 (ii) Every element of A is in the set B or the set C .
 (iii) If A is disjoint from B then B and C overlap.

[6 marks]

- (b) State the principle of induction over lists. Use the language of predicate logic.
 [2 marks]

- (c) Consider the following functions over lists of integers, written in ML syntax.

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fun app([],ys) = ys
  | app(x::xs,ys) = x::app(xs,ys);

fun rev([]) = []
  | rev(x::xs) = app(rev(xs),x::[]);

fun revapp([],ys) = ys
  | revapp(x::xs,ys) = revapp(xs,x::ys);
    
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Prove that

$$\forall xs. \text{revapp}(xs, []) = \text{rev}(xs)$$

Your proof should be clear but it does not need to be a structured proof. You may use the abbreviation $xs @ ys$ for $\text{app}(xs, ys)$. You may assume the following facts.

$$\forall xs. xs @ [] = xs \qquad \forall xs, ys, zs. xs @ (ys @ zs) = (xs @ ys) @ zs$$

Hint: first use induction to show that

$$\forall xs. \forall ys. \text{revapp}(xs, ys) = \text{app}(\text{rev}(xs), ys).$$

[12 marks]