## **MATH 145**

## Test 1

## 3 October 2005

Name:

Answer the question (5 points):

• If P(x) is a propositional function, which of the following are logically equivalent:  $\neg \exists x P(x), \exists x \neg P(x), \forall x \neg P(x) ?$ 

Answer:

and do any 3 of the following problems (15 points each):

- 1. Let P(x, y) denote the propositional function "xy = 0" where x and y are real numbers. Determine the truth values of the following propositions. (Provide reasons!)
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  - (b)  $\forall x \exists y P(x, y),$
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  - (d)  $\exists !x \forall y P(x, y)$ ,
  - (e)  $\forall x \exists ! y P(x, y)$ .
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- 3. Use Mathematical Induction to prove that for any natural n,

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4. Ten points are chosen randomly inside a  $3 \times 3$  square. Prove that there are two of them with distance at most  $\sqrt{2}$ .

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