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ICS 253 Section 01

Major Exam 2

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Learning Objective	Question	Total Marks	Acquired Marks	Notes
2	1	10		
2&3	2	10		
2&3	3	10		
2&3	4	10		
2	5	10		
2	6	10		
	<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>		

Notes:

- 1) Write your Student ID on the top of each paper sheet.
- 2) This exam contains six different paper sheets **excluding** this cover page.
- 3) Answer all questions in this exam.
- 4) Exam duration is 60 minutes.

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## Question 1

The symmetric difference of two sets  $A$  and  $B$ , denoted by  $A \oplus B$ , is the set containing those elements in either  $A$  or  $B$ , but not in both  $A$  and  $B$ .

a) Using set builder notation show that  $A \oplus B = (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$

b) Show that  $A \oplus A = \emptyset$

## Question 2

a) Prove that  $(0,1)$  and  $[0,1]$  have the same cardinality.

b) How many bit string of length 10 contain at least three 1s and at least three 0s? [Show the steps to count the bit strings. A single number will not be accepted as an answer]

### Question 3

a) Prove that the derivative of  $f(x) = x^n$  equals  $nx^{n-1}$  whenever  $n$  is a positive integer.

c) How many bit string of length 10 either begin with three 0s or end with two 0s? [Show the steps to count the bit strings. A single number will not be accepted as an answer]

### Question 4

- a) Let  $f$  be a function from  $S$  to  $T$ , where  $S$  and  $T$  are nonempty finite sets. Furthermore, let  $|S| > |T|$ . What is the least number of elements of  $S$  that are mapped to the same element of  $T$ ? [Justify your answer]

- b) How many ways are there to arrange the letters  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$  such that  $a$  is not followed immediately by  $b$ ? [Show the steps to count the bit strings. A single number will not be accepted as an answer]

### Question 5

Show that among any  $n + 1$  positive integers not exceeding  $2n$  there must be an integer that divides one of the other integers.

## Question 6

If the set  $S$  is defined as follows:

- $3 \in S$
- If  $x \in S$  and  $y \in S$  then  $x + y \in S$

Then prove that  $S$  is the set of all positive integers that are multiple of 3.