

CSC165, Winter 2015  
Assignment 2  
Due Mar 06, 11:59 p.m.

- You may work in groups of no more than **two** students, and you should produce a single solution in a PDF file named **a2.pdf**, submitted to **MarkUs**. Submissions must be **typed**.
- The size of the PDF file **must** be less than **1MB**.
- **Late submission policy:** Each **group** can benefit from **one** time 24-hour grace period with no penalty.

If you use your grace period for one assignment, then change your group for the next one, and your new group-mate has not use his/her grace period, the new group **can** submit late by 24 hours. However, if both students in the group have used their grace period, the new group **cannot** submit late.

IMPORTANT: You **must** use the proof structures and format of this course. Otherwise, you won't get full mark even if your answers are correct.

1. **Prove** or **disprove** each of the following claims.

- (a)  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \forall y \in \mathbb{R}, \lceil x + y \rceil = \lceil x \rceil + \lceil y \rceil$ .  
(Note that  $\lceil x \rceil$  is the ceiling function. See Section 1.5 in the course notes for the definition)
- (b) For all integers  $x, y$ , and  $z$ , if  $x \nmid yz$  then  $x \nmid y$  and  $x \nmid z$ .  
(Note that the symbol  $\nmid$  denotes “does not divide”)

2. Use **proof by contradiction** to prove that for all prime numbers  $x, y$ , and  $z$ ,  $x^2 + y^2 \neq z^2$ .  
Hint: It might be helpful to recall that  $a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b)$ .

3. Consider the definition of the floor function:

$$\mathbf{Def}_1 : \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \forall y \in \mathbb{Z}, (y = \lfloor x \rfloor) \Leftrightarrow (y \leq x) \wedge (\forall z \in \mathbb{Z}, (z \leq x) \Rightarrow (z \leq y)).$$

Use the proof structures of this course and **Def<sub>1</sub>** to prove the following claims

- (a) **S<sub>1</sub>** :  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall y \in \mathbb{R}, (0 \leq y) \wedge (y < 1) \Rightarrow (\lfloor n + y \rfloor = n)$ .  
**Note:** In your proof, you may **ONLY** use those properties of the floor function that are specified by **Def<sub>1</sub>**.

(b)  $\mathbf{S}_2 : \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists y \in \mathbb{R}, (0 \leq y) \wedge (y < 1) \wedge (x = \lfloor x \rfloor + y)$ .

**Note:** In your proof, you may ONLY use those properties of the floor function that are specified by  $\mathbf{Def}_1$ .

(c)  $\mathbf{S}_3 : \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, (\lfloor x + n \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + n)$ .

**Note:** In your proof, you may ONLY use those properties of the floor function that are specified by  $\mathbf{Def}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{S}_1$ , and  $\mathbf{S}_2$ .