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EXAMINATION ONE
HONORS 213

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The beginning of wisdom is the definition of terms. -**Socrates**

When taking the examination, be sure to give as complete answers as you can. You need not provide as much detail as that necessary in a homework assignment but your solutions should be complete and easy to follow.

I 5 points

Give an example of a conditional statement, its converse and its contrapositive.

II 5, 5 points 1. Which parallel property does this logical statement encode?

$$\forall l \quad \forall P \quad \forall m \quad (\sim (P \perp l) \wedge (P \perp m) \wedge (m \neq l)) \implies (\exists Q \ni (Q \perp l) \wedge (Q \perp m))$$

2. What is the negation of the above logical statement.

III 15 points

Using any result up to and including Proposition 2.4, prove the following.

For every point **P** there exist at least two lines through **P**.

IV 20 points

Using any previous result, prove the following portion of Pasch's Theorem.

If **A, B, C** are distinct noncollinear points and l is any line intersecting **AB** in a point between **A** and **B**, then l also intersects either **AC** or **BC**.

V 20 points

Let \mathcal{M} be a finite projective plane. Prove that all lines in \mathcal{M} have the same number of points lying on them.

VI 20 points

Using any result up to and including Proposition 3.2, prove the following part of Proposition 3.3.

If **A * B * C** and **A * C * D**, then **A, B, C, D** are distinct, collinear points.

VII 10 points

Use the Forward-Backward method to analyze the following problem (the converse of the Same Side Lemma)

Given that **A, B, C** are collinear points, l is a line other than \overleftrightarrow{AC} passing through **C** and points **A** and **B** are on the same side of l . Then **A * B * C**.