

Exam I: Discrete Math, MTH 213, Fall 2017

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QUESTION 1. (3 points) Make a brief argument in order to convince me that  $|Q \cap (0, 0.002)| = |\mathbb{N}^*|$

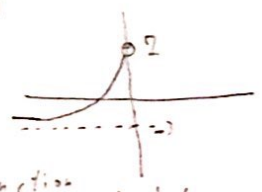
we know that  $|Q| = \infty$  and  $Q$  is countable  $\Rightarrow |Q| = |\mathbb{N}^*|$   
we also know that  $|(0, 0.002)| = \infty$  but it is uncountable

$\Rightarrow$   $Q \cap (0, 0.002)$  is countable because countable  $\cap$  uncountable = countable

QUESTION 2. (4 points) Construct bijective functions in order to convince me that  $|(-3, 7)| = |(2, 15)|$  make a rough sketch of each graph in order to show bijection

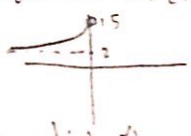
①  $f: (-\infty, 0) \rightarrow (-3, 7)$

$f(x) = 10e^x - 3$  it is a bijective function  $\Rightarrow |(-\infty, 0)| = |(-3, 7)| = \infty$



②  $F: (-\infty, 0) \rightarrow (2, 15)$

$f(x) = 13e^x + 2$  it is a bijective function  $\Rightarrow |(-\infty, 0)| = |(2, 15)| = \infty$



Thus,  
 $|Q \cap (0, 0.002)| = \infty$  and it is countable  $\Rightarrow |Q \cap (0, 0.002)| = |\mathbb{N}^*|$

QUESTION 3. (4 points) Find  $(238)_9 \cdot (17)_9$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} 238 \\ \times 17 \\ \hline 1802 \\ 2380 \\ \hline 4282 \end{array}$$

Find  $(207)_8 - (66)_8$

$$\begin{array}{r} 207 \\ - 66 \\ \hline 121 \end{array}$$

QUESTION 4. (4 points) Let  $a = 424, b = 159$ . Use the method we discussed in class to find  $\gcd(a, b)$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 11 \overline{) 159} \\ \underline{318} \\ 106 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 106 \overline{) 159} \\ \underline{106} \\ 53 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 53 \overline{) 106} \\ \underline{106} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow \gcd(424, 159) = 53$

Find  $LCM(a, b)$ .

$$LCM(424, 159) = \frac{424 \times 159}{\gcd(424, 159)} = \frac{424 \times 159}{53} = 1272$$

177  
16 3152 185 81  
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QUESTION 5. (5 points) Use math induction to prove that  $18 \mid (5^{6n} - 1)$  for every positive integer  $n \geq 1$ .

① Prove it is true for  $n=1 \Rightarrow 18 \mid 15624$  True  $\frac{15624}{18} = 868$  ✓

② Assume it is true for  $n=k$ , for  $k \geq 1 \Rightarrow 18 \mid (5^{6k} - 1)$

③ Prove it is true for  $n=k+1 \Rightarrow$

$$18 \mid (5^{6k+6} - 1) \Rightarrow 18 \mid (5^{6k} \cdot 5^6 - 1) \Rightarrow 18 \mid 5^6 (5^{6k} - 1) + \frac{15624}{(5^6 - 1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 18 \mid \underbrace{5^6 (5^{6k} - 1)}_{18 \mid \text{ by } \textcircled{2}} + \underbrace{15624}_{18 \mid \text{ by } \textcircled{1}} \Rightarrow 18 \mid (5^{6(k+1)} - 1) \checkmark$$

QUESTION 6. (3 points) Use direct prove (max. 3 line) to show that for every positive integer  $n \geq 1$ , we have

$$3^n = nC_0 \cdot 2^n + nC_1 \cdot 2^{n-1} + nC_2 \cdot 2^{n-2} + \dots + nC_{n-1} \cdot 2 + 1$$

we know that  $(x+1)^n = nC_0 x^n + nC_1 x^{n-1} + nC_2 x^{n-2} \dots nC_n$   
if we replace  $x$  by  $2$  we will get: ✓

$$3^n = nC_0 2^n + nC_1 2^{n-1} + nC_2 2^{n-2} \dots \dots nC_{n-1} 2 + 1$$

QUESTION 7. (6 points) Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and assume that  $\sqrt{x}$  is irrational. Prove that  $\sqrt[4]{x}$  is irrational. [use Contradiction, 2 to 3 lines proof]

we assume that  $\sqrt[4]{x}$  is rational  $\Rightarrow$

$$\sqrt[4]{x} = \frac{a}{b}, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } b \neq 0 \text{ and } \gcd(a, b) = 1, \text{ if we square both sides}$$

$$\underbrace{\sqrt{x}}_{\text{irrational}} = \frac{a^2}{b^2} \underbrace{\}_{\text{rational}} \Rightarrow \text{contradiction} \Rightarrow \sqrt[4]{x} \text{ is irrational}$$

Convince me that  $\sqrt{60}$  is irrational (Hint: First write  $\sqrt{60} = 2 \times \sqrt{15}$ . So you only need to show  $\sqrt{15}$  is irrational).

we know that  $\sqrt{60} = 2\sqrt{15}$ , Assume  $\sqrt{15}$  is rational

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{15} = \frac{a}{b} \text{ where } a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0, \gcd(a, b) = 1,$$

$$15 = \frac{a^2}{b^2}, \text{ we know that } a, b \text{ are odd} \Rightarrow 15 = \frac{(2k+1)^2}{(2m+1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 15 \times 4m^2 + 15 \times 4m + 15 = 4k^2 + 4k + 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$60m^2 + 60m + 14 = 4(k^2 + k)$$

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$4 \mid 4(k^2+k)$  then 4 should  $4 \mid 60m^2 + 60m + 14$

but  $4 \nmid 14 \Rightarrow$  contradiction

$\sqrt{15}$  is irrational, and we know that

irrational  $\times$  non-zero rational = irrational

$$\Rightarrow 2\sqrt{15} = \sqrt{60} \text{ is irrational}$$

QUESTION 8. Write T or F ONLY (4 points) Let  $A = \{x, \{x\}, 3, \{y\}, \{3, x\}, 4\}$

$\{y\} \subset A \Rightarrow y \in A$

- (i)  $\{x\} \subset P(A)$  F ✓
- (ii)  $\{4, x\} \subset P(A)$  F ✓
- (iii)  $\{3, x\} \in P(A)$  T ✓
- (iv)  $\{\{x\}, \{y\}, \{3\}\} \subset P(A)$  F ✓

$\{x\} \in PA \Rightarrow x \in A$  ✓  
 $\{y\} \in PA \Rightarrow y \in A$  ✓  
 $\{3\} \in PA \Rightarrow 3 \in A$  ✓

QUESTION 9. Write T or F ONLY (6 points)

- (i)  $\{(1, 1), (a, a), (-2, -2)\}$  is an equivalence relation on  $A = \{1, a, -2\}$  T ✓
- (ii)  $| \{0, 0.001\} | = |Z|$  (note  $\{0, 0.001\}$  is the set of all real numbers between 0 and 0.001) F ✓
- (iii)  $\{(2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 1), (1, 3)\}$  is a partial order relation on  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$  T ✓
- (iv)  $\{(a, a), (b, b), (c, c), (a, c), (c, b)\}$  is a partial order relation on  $A = \{a, b, c\}$  F ✓
- (v)  $\forall x \in N^* \exists y \in R$  such that  $y^x < 0$  F ✓
- (vi)  $\exists x \in N^*$  such that  $y^x \geq 0 \forall y \in R$  T ✓

QUESTION 10. (5 points) Solve over  $Z$ .  $3x \equiv 6 \pmod{9}$

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$\gcd(3, 9) = 3$  and  $3 | 6 \Rightarrow$  we have 3 solutions on  $Z$

$\Rightarrow$  solution set =  $\{2, 5, 8\}$  over  $Z$

over  $Z \Rightarrow$  solution set =  $\{2 + 9n, 5 + 9m, 8 + 9k\}$  where  $n, m, k \in Z$

1	10
2	20
3	30
4	40
5	50
6	60
7	70
8	80
9	90
10	100
11	110
12	120
13	130
14	140
15	150
16	160
17	170
18	180
19	190
20	200
21	210
22	220
23	230
24	240

QUESTION 11. (8 points) Let  $x$  be the number of all females in an event. Given  $x$  is an even number (i.e.,  $x \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ). If  $x$  is divided by 11, the remainder is 5. If  $x$  is divided by 7, the remainder is 6. Use the Chinese remainder Theorem to answer the following:

a) If  $0 < x < 154$ , what is the value of  $x$ ?

1 -  $x \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$

2 -  $x \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$

3 -  $x \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$

$\gcd(m_i, m_j) = 1$  for every  $i, j$

$m = 154, Q_1 = \frac{m}{m_1} = 77, Q_2 = \frac{m}{m_2} = 14$

$Q_3 = \frac{m}{m_3} = 22$

$y_1 = [77 \pmod{2}]^{-1} = (1)^{-1} = 1$

$y_2 = [14 \pmod{11}]^{-1} = (3)^{-1} = 4$

$y_3 = [22 \pmod{7}]^{-1} = (1)^{-1} = 1$

$\Rightarrow x = [0 \times 1 \times 77 + 5 \times 14 \times 4 + 6 \times 22 \times 1] \pmod{154}$

$\Rightarrow x = 104$

over  $Z, x = 104 + 154n, n \in Z$

b) If  $154 < x < 308$ , what is the value of  $x$ ?

let  $n = 1 \Rightarrow x = 258$

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QUESTION 12. (8 points) Let  $A = \{0, 4, 5\}$ . Define a relation, say  $\leq$ , on  $P(A)$  such that  $\forall a, b \in P(A)$ , we have  $a \leq b$  iff  $b \subseteq a$ .

1. Convince me that  $\leq$  is a partial order relation on  $P(A)$ .

$a \leq b$

2. Symmetric,  $\forall a \in P(A)$ ,  $a \leq a$  (because every set is a subset or equal to itself)

$b \leq a$

2 - Anti-Reflexive, for  $a \neq b, a, b \in P(A)$  if  $a \leq b \Rightarrow b \leq a$  and we know that

$P(A)$  has all combinations of subsets of  $A$  each of them only once  $\Rightarrow$  if  $b \subseteq a$  and  $a \subseteq b$  then

3. Transitive, if  $a \leq b$  and  $b \leq c$  then we know  $b \subseteq a$  and  $c \subseteq b$  then

clearly  $c \subseteq a \Rightarrow a \leq c$

2. Find  $\{0, 4\} \wedge \{0, 5\} = \{0, 4, 5\}$

3. Find  $\{0, 4\} \wedge \{4\} = \{0, 4\}$

4. Find  $\{0, 4\} \vee \{0\} = \{0, 4\}$

5. Find  $\{4, 5\} \vee \{5\} = \{4, 5\}$

6. If possible, find the Least element and the greatest element of  $\leq$ .

greatest is  $\emptyset$   
Least is  $\{0, 4, 5\}$

QUESTION 13. (10 points) Let  $A = \{1, 2, 8, 10, 11, 19, 22\}$ ,  $B = \{0, 1, 2, 3, -1, -2, -3\}$ . Define  $=$  on  $A$  such that  $\forall a, b \in A$ , we have  $a = b$  iff  $a - b \in B$ .

1) Convince me that  $=$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ .

① Symmetric:  $\forall a \in A$ ,  $a - a = 0 \in B \Rightarrow a = a$

② Reflexive: if  $a = b \Rightarrow a - b \in B$  let  $a - b = c \in B$

③ Transitive: if  $a = b$  and  $b = c$   
 $\Rightarrow a - b \in B$  and  $b - c \in B$

$\Rightarrow b - a = -(a - b) = -c$   
and we see that all the numbers in  $B$  has there positive and negative value  $\Rightarrow b - a = -c \in B$   
 $\Rightarrow b = a$

we see this case only with 8, 10, 11

So  $8 - 10 = -2 \in B$  and  $10 - 11 = -1 \in B$

$\Rightarrow 8 - 11 = -3 \in B \Rightarrow 8 = 11$  and  $a = c$

2) Find all equivalence classes

$[1] = \{1, 2\}$

$[8] = \{8, 10, 11\}$

$[19] = \{19, 22\}$

3) Find all elements of the relation  $=$ .

$\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (8, 8), (10, 10), (11, 11), (19, 19), (22, 22), (1, 2), (2, 1), (8, 10), (10, 8), (8, 11), (11, 8), (10, 11), (11, 10), (19, 22), (22, 19)\}$

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