

Math 307, Midterm Exam 1  
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Instructions: You can use a notecard. No calculators are allowed. Common tautologies which we use often (e.g., DeMorgan's Laws) can be used without giving truth tables; more complicated tautologies need to be verified. This is a 50 minute exam.

1. (10 points) Show that  $P \Rightarrow R, \sim R, V \Rightarrow (P \vee \sim Q) \vdash V \Rightarrow \sim Q$ . Give a two-column logic proof with steps and justifications.

Proof:

	Statement	Explanation
1.	$P \Rightarrow R$	hyp.
2.	$\sim R$	hyp.
3.	$V \Rightarrow (P \vee \sim Q)$	hyp.
4.	$V$	dischargeable hyp.
5.	$(P \vee \sim Q)$	MP, For 3, For 4
6.	$\sim P$	MT, For 1, For 2
7.	$\sim Q$	DI, For 5, For 6
8.	$V \Rightarrow \sim Q$	DT, discharge For 4, (4)–(7) unusable

2. (14 points)

(a) (7 points) Solve the equation  $(2 \cdot_{13} x) +_{13} 7 = 2$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{13}$ . Show all of your steps.

**Solution:** The additive inverse of 7 in  $\mathbb{Z}_{13}$  is 6 and the multiplicative inverse of 2 in  $\mathbb{Z}_{13}$  is 7. Hence

$$(2 \cdot_{13} x) +_{13} 7 = 2$$

$$2 \cdot_{13} x = (2 \cdot_{13} x) +_{13} (7 +_{13} 6) = ((2 \cdot_{13} x) +_{13} 7) +_{13} 6 = 2 +_{13} 6 = 8$$

$$x = (7 \cdot_{13} 2) \cdot_{13} x = 7 \cdot_{13} (2 \cdot_{13} x) = 7 \cdot_{13} 8 = 4$$

**Check:**  $(2 \cdot_{13} 4) +_{13} 7 = 8 +_{13} 7 = 2$ .

**Answer:**  $x = 4$ .

(b) (7 points) Find the multiplicative inverse of 30 in  $\mathbb{Z}_{133}$ .

**Solution:** Let us run the Euclidean algorithm:

$$133 = 4 \cdot 30 + 13; \quad 30 = 2 \cdot 13 + 4, \quad 13 = 3 \cdot 4 + 1.$$

**Backwards:**

$$1 = 13 - 3 \cdot 4 = 13 - 3 \cdot (30 - 2 \cdot 13) = 7 \cdot 13 - 3 \cdot 30 = 7 \cdot (133 - 4 \cdot 30) - 3 \cdot 30 = 7 \cdot 133 - 31 \cdot 30.$$

**Hence**

$$1 \equiv -31 \cdot 30 \equiv (133 - 31) \cdot 30 \equiv 102 \cdot 30 \pmod{133}$$

**Answer:** the multiplicative inverse of 30 in  $\mathbb{Z}_{133}$  is 102.

3. (10 points) Given  $\sim P \Rightarrow [T \vee S]$ ,  $T \Rightarrow R$ ,  $\sim S$ , prove  $P \vee R$ . Give a two-column logic proof with steps and justifications. Hint: Use proof by contradiction.

Proof:

	Statement	Explanation
1.	$\sim P \Rightarrow [T \vee S]$	hyp.
2.	$T \Rightarrow R$	hyp.
3.	$\sim S$	hyp.
4.	$\sim(P \vee R)$	dischargeable hyp.
5.	$\sim(P \vee R) \Leftrightarrow (\sim P \wedge \sim R)$	taut., de Morgan
6.	$\sim P \wedge \sim R$	MPB, For 5, For 4
7.	$\sim P$	LCS, For 6
8.	$T \vee S$	MP, For 1, For 7
9.	$\sim R$	RCS, For 6
10.	$\sim T$	MT, For 2, For 9
11.	$S$	DI, For 8, For 10
12.	$S \wedge \sim S$	CI, For 11, For 3
13.	$P \vee R$	II, discharge For 4, (4)–(12) unusable

4. (5 points) Translate the following English sentence into mathematical notation: “Every integer (strictly) larger than 1000 is either a multiple of two or a multiple of three or both.”

Answer:  $(\forall x)[(x \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge x > 1000) \Rightarrow (2|x \vee 3|x)]$ .

5. (5 points) Let  $S = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \geq 13 \wedge (\exists y)[y \in \mathbb{N} \wedge x = 70 - y^3]\}$ . Identify the set  $S$  by listing all of its elements.

Answer:  $S = \{43, 62, 69\}$ .

6. (6 points) Determine whether or not the proposition  $[(P \vee R) \wedge (P \Rightarrow R)] \Rightarrow P$  is a tautology, by completing the truth table below:

$P$	$R$	$P \vee R$	$P \Rightarrow R$	$(P \vee R) \wedge (P \Rightarrow R)$	$[(P \vee R) \wedge (P \Rightarrow R)] \Rightarrow P$
T	T	T	T	T	T
T	F	T	F	F	T
F	T	T	T	T	F
F	F	F	T	F	T

Is the given proposition a tautology? No, this is not a tautology.

7. (10 points) Give a line proof that  $(\forall a, b)[(a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge a \equiv_4 2 \wedge 6|b) \Rightarrow 2|a - b]$ .

Proof:

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| 1.  | Assume $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ , $a \equiv_4 2$ , and $6 b$                                  | dis. hyp.                              |
| 2.  | $6 b$  |  |
| 3.  | $b = 6k$ for some $k$ in $\mathbb{Z}$  | IE                                     |
| 4.  | $a \equiv_4 2$   |  |
| 5.  | $4 a - 2$  |  |
| 6.  | $a - 2 = 4l$ for some $l$ in $\mathbb{Z}$  | IE                                     |
| 7.  | $a = 4l + 2$   |  |
| 8.  | $a - b = (4l + 2) - 6k = 2 \cdot (2l + 1 - 3k)$  |  |
| 9.  | $(\exists r)[r \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge a - b = 2r]$  | EI                                     |
| 10. | $2 a - b$  |  |
| 11. | $(a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge a \equiv_4 2 \wedge 6 b) \Rightarrow 2 a - b$                 | DT, discharge For 1, (1)–(10) unusable |
| 12. | $(\forall a, b)[(a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \wedge a \equiv_4 2 \wedge 6 b) \Rightarrow 2 a - b]$ | IU                                     |