Math 2603-F Exam 1 Spring 2016
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This exam contains 4 pages (including this cover page) and 8 questions. Total of points is 55.

## Instructions

- 1. Please be sure your name appears correctly at the top of this page and that your initials appear at the top of the remaining pages.
- 2. Answer the questions in the space provided, using the backs of pages for overflow or rough work.
- 3. To obtain maximum marks show all your work, carefully justifying your answers.
- 4. The use of calculator, books or any other aids will not be allowed for the test.

Grade Table (for instructor use only)

| Question | Points | Score |
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| 1        | 6      |       |
| 2        | 4      |       |
| 3        | 5      |       |
| 4        | 9      |       |
| 5        | 4      |       |
| 6        | 8      |       |
| 7        | 4      |       |
| 8        | 15     |       |
| Total:   | 55     |       |

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

- 1. (6 points) Write down the negation of each of the following statements in clear and concise English.
  - (a) (2 points)  $n > \pi$  or n is negative.

**Solution:**  $n \leq \pi$  and n is positive

(b) (2 points)  $\frac{1}{n}$  is not an integer for all natural numbers n.

**Solution:** There exists a natural number n such that  $\frac{1}{n}$  is an integer.

(c) (2 points) There exists a function f that is differentiable and discontinuous.

**Solution:** f is not differentiable or f is continuous for all functions f.

2. (4 points) Prove that if a is an irrational number and b a rational number then a + b is an irrational number.

**Solution:** Let us assume, for a contradiction, that a+b is rational, say  $a+b=\frac{p}{q}$  for some  $p,q\in\mathbb{Z},\ q\neq 0$ . Since b is rational, then  $b=\frac{b}{m}$  for some  $m,n\in\mathbb{Z},\ m\neq 0$ . Then

$$a = \frac{a}{b} - \frac{p}{q} = \frac{pn - qm}{qn},$$

which is a rational number (since  $pn-qm, qn \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $qn \neq 0$ ). This contradicts the fact that a is irrational.

3. (5 points) Let A and B be sets. Prove that  $(A \cap B)^{c} = A^{c} \cup B^{c}$ 

**Solution:** We have  $x \in (A \cap B)^{c}$  iff  $x \notin A \cap B$ . Now  $x \notin A \cap B$  iff  $x \notin A$  or  $x \notin B$ . Also note that  $x \notin A$  or  $x \notin B$  iff  $x \in A^{c}$  or  $x \in B^{c}$ . Finally  $x \in A^{c}$  or  $x \in B^{c}$  iff  $x \in A^{c} \cup B^{c}$ .

4. (9 points) For  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  consider the following relation:

$$a \sim b$$
 if and only if  $|a - 5| = |5 - b|$ .

The aim of this exercise is to show that  $\sim$  defines an equivalence relation over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Prove that the relation  $\sim$  is:

(a) (3 points) Reflexive.

**Solution:** Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then |a-5| = |5-a|, since |x| = |-x|. Thus  $a \sim a$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(b) (3 points) Symmetric.

**Solution:** Suppose  $a \sim b$ . Then |a-5| = |5-b| or |5-a| = |b-5|. Therefore  $b \sim a$ .

(c) (3 points) Transitive.

**Solution:** Suppose  $a \sim b$  and  $b \sim c$ . Then |a-5| = |5-b| and |b-5| = |5-c|. Since |5-b| = |b-5| we conclude that |a-5| = |5-c| or  $a \sim c$ .

- 5. (4 points) Consider the relation  $\sim$  given in question 4 .
  - (a) (2 points) What is the equivalence class of 5?

**Solution:**  $\overline{5} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - 5| = 0\} = \{5\}.$ 

(b) (2 points) What is the equivalence class of -5?

**Solution:**  $\overline{-5} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : |x - 5| = 10\} = \{-5, 15\}.$ 

(c) (Bonus 3 points) Define a function  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  such that

f(x) = # elements in  $\overline{x}$ ,

that is each  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is mapped to the number of elements contained in its equivalence class.

6. (8 points) (a) (6 points) Compute gcd(282, 137).

|           |     | a   | b  |
|-----------|-----|-----|----|
|           | 282 | 1   | 0  |
| Solution: | 137 | 0   | 1  |
|           | 8   | 1   | -2 |
|           | 1   | -17 | 35 |
|           |     |     | '  |

(b) (2 points) Find integers m and n such that 282m + 137n = 3.

**Solution:** From above we have that  $-17 \cdot 282 + 35 \cdot 137 = 1$ , therefore  $(3 \cdot -17) \cdot 282 + (3 \cdot 35) \cdot 137 = 2$ . So m = -51 and n = 105.

7. (4 points) Prove that if  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , then gcd(3k+2,5k+3)=1.

**Solution:** Let  $g = \gcd(3k+2, 5k+3)$ . Then g|3k+2 and g|5k+3. In other words, there exist  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$3k + 2 = gn \tag{1}$$

and

$$5k + 3 = gm. (2)$$

Multiplying equation (1) by 5 and equation (2) by 3 yields

$$15k + 10 = 5gn \tag{3}$$

and

$$15k + 9 = 3gm. \tag{4}$$

Now, subtracting equation (4) from (3) we obtain (5n-3m)g=1. Finally, since  $g\geq 1$  and  $g\in\mathbb{Z}$  it follows that g=1.

- 8. (15 points) Decide whether each of the following statements is true or false. Justify your claim.
  - (a) (3 points) If a and b are real numbers such that a + b is a rational number, then a and b are rational numbers.

**Solution:** False. Let  $a = \sqrt{2}$  and  $b = -\sqrt{2}$ . Then  $a + b = 0 \in \mathbb{Q}$  but  $a, b \notin \mathbb{Q}$ .

(b) (3 points) If A and B are sets, then  $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap C$ .

**Solution:** False. Let  $A = \{1\}$ ,  $B = \{2\}$  and  $C = \emptyset$ . Then

$$A \cup (B \cap C) = \{1\} \neq \emptyset = (A \cup B) \cap C.$$

(c) (3 points) Let A, B and C be sets. If  $A \cap C = B \cap C$  then A = B.

**Solution:** False. If  $A = \{1, 2\}$ ,  $B = \{1, 3\}$  and  $C = \{1\}$  then  $A \cap C = \{1\} = B \cap C$  but  $A \neq B$ .

(d) (3 points) For all nonzero integers a and b we have that gcd(a, b) = gcd(-a, b).

**Solution:** True. Let  $g_1 = \gcd(a, b)$  and  $g_2 = \gcd(-a, b)$ . Let us show that  $g_1 \leq g_2$  and  $g_2 \geq g_1$ . Since  $g_1|a$  we have that  $g_1|-a$ , therefore  $g_1|-a$  and  $g_1|b$ . Since  $g_2$  is the gcd of -a and b we have that  $g_1 \leq g_2$ . A similar argument shows that  $g_2 \leq g_1$ , thus  $g_1 = g_2$ .

(e) (3 points) Let  $A = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $B = \{0, 2, 4, 8\}$ . The set  $f = \{(c, 4), (d, 0), (a, 0), (b, 2), (d, 4)\}$  defines a function from A to B.

**Solution:** False. There are two pairs of the form (d, x) with  $x \in B$ .