

# Part IA — Discrete Mathematics

Lectures by xxx

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\* **Proof [5 lectures]**

Proofs in practice and mathematical jargon. Mathematical statements: implication, bi-implication, universal quantification, conjunction, existential quantification, disjunction, negation. Logical deduction: proof strategies and patterns, scratch work, logical equivalences. Proof by contradiction. Divisibility and congruences. Fermats Little Theorem.

\* **Numbers [5 lectures]**

Number systems: natural numbers, integers, rationals, modular integers. The Division Theorem and Algorithm. Modular arithmetic. Sets: membership and comprehension. The greatest common divisor, and Euclids Algorithm and Theorem. The Extended Euclids Algorithm and multiplicative inverses in modular arithmetic. The Diffe-Hellman cryptographic method. Mathematical induction: Binomial Theorem, Pascals Triangle, Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic, Euclids innity of primes.

\* **Sets [7 lectures]**

Extensionality Axiom: subsets and supersets. Separation Principle: Russells Paradox, the empty set. Powerset Axiom: the powerset Boolean algebra, Venn and Hasse diagrams. Pairing Axiom: singletons, ordered pairs, products. Union axiom: big unions, big intersections, disjoint unions. Relations: composition, matrices, directed graphs, preorders and partial orders. Partial and (total) functions. Bijections: sections and retractions. Equivalence relations and set partitions. Calculus of bijections: characteristic (or indicator) functions. Finite cardinality and counting. Innity axiom. Surjections. Enumerable and countable sets. Axiom of choice. Injections. Images: direct and inverse images. Replacement Axiom: set-indexed constructions. Set cardinality: Cantor-Schoeder-Bernstein Theorem, unbounded cardinality, diagonalisation, xed-points. Foundation Axiom.

\* **Formal languages and automata [7 lectures]**

Introduction to inductive denitions using rules and proof by rule induction. Abstract syntax trees. Regular expressions and their algebra. Finite automata and regular languages: Kleenes theorem and the Pumping Lemma.

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## 1 Proofs

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### 1.1 Proofs in practice and mathematical jargon

We are interested in examining the following statement:

**Statement.** The product of two odd integers is odd.

This seems innocuous enough, but it is in fact full of baggage.  
For instance, it presupposes that you know:

- what a statement is;
- what the integers  $(\dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots)$  are, and that amongst them there is a class of odd ones  $(\dots, -3, -1, 1, 3, \dots)$ ;
- what the product of two integers is, and that this is in turn an integer.

### 1.2 Mathematical statements

### 1.3 Logical deduction

### 1.4 Proof by contradiction

### 1.5 Divisibility and congruences

### 1.6 Fermats Little Theorem

## 2 Numbers

## 3 Sets

## 4 Regular languages and finite automata