

MATH10101 JANUARY 2016 NEW STYLE: SOLUTIONS (Version  
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**A1.** Construct truth tables for the statements:

- (i)  $Q$  and  $R$
- (ii)  $P \nRightarrow Q$
- (iii) (not  $P$ ) or  $Q$
- (iv) not ( $P$  or (not  $Q$ ))
- (v)  $P \Rightarrow (Q$  and  $R)$ .

[5 marks]

**A1. Solution** (Similar to classwork and homework)

The required truth tables are:

(i)	$Q$	$R$	$Q$ and $R$	(ii)	$P$	$Q$	$P \nRightarrow Q$	(iii)	$P$	$Q$	not $P$	(not $P$ ) or $Q$
	$T$	$T$	$T$		$T$	$T$	$F$		$T$	$T$	$F$	$T$
	$T$	$F$	$F$		$T$	$F$	$T$		$T$	$F$	$F$	$F$
	$F$	$T$	$F$		$F$	$T$	$F$		$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$
	$F$	$F$	$F$		$F$	$F$	$F$		$F$	$F$	$T$	$T$

(iv)	$P$	$Q$	not $Q$	$P$ or (not $Q$ )	not ( $P$ or (not $Q$ ))
	$T$	$T$	$F$	$T$	$F$
	$T$	$F$	$T$	$T$	$F$
	$F$	$T$	$F$	$F$	$T$
	$F$	$F$	$T$	$T$	$F$

(v)	$P$	$Q$	$R$	$Q$ and $R$	$P \Rightarrow (Q$ and $R)$
	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$
	$T$	$T$	$F$	$F$	$F$
	$T$	$F$	$T$	$F$	$F$
	$T$	$F$	$F$	$F$	$F$
	$F$	$T$	$T$	$T$	$T$
	$F$	$T$	$F$	$F$	$T$
	$F$	$F$	$T$	$F$	$T$
	$F$	$F$	$F$	$F$	$T$

[5 marks]

**A2.** Prove or disprove each of the following statements:

- (i)  $\exists p \in \mathbb{Q}, \forall q \in \mathbb{Q}, p + q = 1/2$
- (ii)  $\forall q \in \mathbb{Q}, \exists p \in \mathbb{Q}, p + q = 1/2$
- (iii)  $\forall q \in \mathbb{Q}, \exists p \in \mathbb{Q}, p + q \neq 1/2$
- (iv)  $\exists p \in \mathbb{Q}, \exists q \in \mathbb{Q}, p + q < 1/2$
- (v)  $\forall p \in \mathbb{Q}, \forall q \in \mathbb{Q}, p + q \notin \mathbb{Z}$ .

[5 marks]

**A2. Solution** (Similar to classwork and homework)

- (i) The statement  $\exists p \in \mathbb{Q}, \forall q \in \mathbb{Q}, p + q = 1/2$  is false, because  $p + 0 \neq p + 1$  for any  $p \in \mathbb{Q}$ .
- (ii) The statement  $\forall q \in \mathbb{Q}, \exists p \in \mathbb{Q}, p + q = 1/2$  is true, by choosing  $p = 1/2 - q$ .
- (iii) The statement  $\forall q \in \mathbb{Q}, \exists p \in \mathbb{Q}, p + q \neq 1/2$  is true, by choosing  $p = -q$ .
- (iv) The statement  $\exists p \in \mathbb{Q}, \exists q \in \mathbb{Q}, p + q < 1/2$  is true, by choosing  $p = q = 0$ .
- (v) The statement  $\forall p \in \mathbb{Q}, \forall q \in \mathbb{Q}, p + q \notin \mathbb{Z}$  is false, because  $p = q = 1/1 = 1$  implies  $p + q = 2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

[5 marks]

**A3.**

- (i) Explain why the Diophantine equation

$$6x + 10y = 90$$

has infinitely many solutions  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ , and describe them all.

- (ii) Solve the equation in part (i) subject to the additional constraints
- $x > 3$
- and
- $y > 3$
- .

[5 marks]

**A3. Solution** (Similar to classwork and homework)

- (i) The gcd of 6 and 10 is 2, which is a factor of 90; so there are infinitely many solutions. We find a particular solution by applying Bezout's Lemma (by inspection):

$$2 = 6 \times 2 + 10 \times (-1)$$

and then multiplying by 45:

$$90 = 6 \times 90 + 10 \times (-45).$$

Thus  $(x, y) = (90, -45)$  is a particular solution. Therefore the general solution is

$$(x, y) = \left( 90 + t\frac{10}{2}, -45 - t\frac{6}{2} \right) = (90 + 5t, -45 - 3t) \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

- (ii) Solving for
- $t$
- using the constraints
- $90 + 5t > 3$
- and
- $-45 - 3t > 3$
- yields

$$-17.4 = -87/5 < t < -48/3 = -16$$

and so there is a unique solution corresponding to  $t = -17$ , namely

$$(90 + 5 \times (-17), -45 - 3 \times (-17)) = (5, 6).$$

[5 marks]

**A4.**

- (i) Find the multiplicative inverse of 13 mod 31.  
 (ii) Hence or otherwise, solve the congruence

$$13x \equiv 7 \pmod{31}.$$

- (iii) Use modular arithmetic and the method of successive squaring to calculate the least positive residue of

$$37^{514} \pmod{7}.$$

[5 marks]

**A4. Solution** (Similar to classwork and homework)

- (i) We require  $x$  such that  $13x \equiv 1 \pmod{31}$ ; that is

$$13x + 31y = 1.$$

This is possible since 13 and 31 are coprime. Using the Euclidean algorithm:

$$31 = 13 \times 2 + 5$$

$$13 = 5 \times 2 + 3$$

$$5 = 3 \times 1 + 2$$

$$3 = 2 \times 1 + 1$$

and working backwards

$$1 = 13 \times 12 + 31 \times (-5).$$

Thus the inverse of 13 mod 31 is 12 mod 31.

- (ii) By above

$$13x \equiv 7 \pmod{31} \Rightarrow 12 \times 13x \equiv 12 \times 7 \pmod{31} \Rightarrow x \equiv 84 \pmod{31} \equiv 22 \pmod{31}.$$

- (iii) We have

$$\begin{aligned} 37^{514} \pmod{7} &\equiv 2^{514} \pmod{7} \\ &\equiv 2^{512} 2^2 \pmod{7} \\ &\equiv 2^{512} 4 \pmod{7} \\ &\equiv (2^3)^{170} 2^2 4 \pmod{7} \\ &\equiv 16 \pmod{7} \\ &\equiv 2 \pmod{7}. \end{aligned}$$

[5 marks]

**A5.**

- (i) Define what is meant by a *permutation* of the finite set  $X = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .
- (ii) Write each of the following three permutations in disjoint cycle form:

$$(3\ 4\ 2)(2\ 5\ 3), \quad \left((2\ 4\ 3)(1\ 5\ 6\ 7)\right)^{-1}, \quad (1\ 2)(2\ 3)(3\ 4).$$

- (iii) Determine the order of the second permutation in part (ii).

[5 marks]

**A5. Solution** (Bookwork, and similar to classwork and homework)

- (i) A permutation is a bijection from  $X$  to itself.
- (ii) These permutations may be rewritten

$$\begin{aligned} (3\ 4\ 2)(2\ 5\ 3) &= (2\ 5\ 4) \\ \left((2\ 4\ 3)(1\ 5\ 6\ 7)\right)^{-1} &= (1\ 7\ 6\ 5)(2\ 3\ 4) \\ (1\ 2)(2\ 3)(3\ 4) &= (1\ 2\ 3\ 4) \end{aligned}$$

as products of disjoint cycles.

- (iii) The order of a product of disjoint cycles is the lowest common multiple of the cycle lengths. The required order is therefore  $4 \times 3 = 12$ .

[5 marks]

**B6.**

- (i) For any sets  $A$  and  $B$ , define the sets  $A \cap B$  and  $A \cup B$ . For any set  $C$ , prove that

$$(A \cap B) \cup C \supseteq (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C),$$

and explain how this statement simplifies when  $C = \emptyset$ . Under what circumstances does your simplification give equality? [5 marks]

- (ii) Given disjoint finite sets  $D$  and  $E$ , state the *Addition Principle* for the cardinality of  $D \cup E$ . Explain the modification required when  $D \cap E \neq \emptyset$ . By substituting  $D = A \cup B$  and  $E = C$  into your formula, prove that

$$|A \cup B \cup C| = |A| + |B| + |C| - |A \cap B| - |A \cap C| - |B \cap C| + |A \cap B \cap C|$$

for any finite sets  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ . [You may use the fact that  $(A \cup B) \cap C = (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$  without proof]. [5 marks]

**B6. Solution** (Homework and bookwork)

- (i) For any sets  $A$  and  $B$ ,

$$A \cap B := \{x : x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\} \quad \text{and} \quad A \cup B := \{x : x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}.$$

For any set  $C$ , let  $x \in (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$ . Then  $x \in (A \cap C)$  or  $x \in (B \cap C)$ , so  $x \in C$  in either case. Hence  $x \in (A \cap B) \cup C$ , so  $(A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C) \subseteq (A \cap B) \cup C$ , as required.

When  $C = \emptyset$ , we have that  $A \cap C = B \cap C = \emptyset$ , and obtain  $\emptyset \subseteq A \cap B$ . This is an equation iff  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint. [5 marks]

- (ii) The Addition Principle for disjoint finite sets states that their cardinalities satisfy  $|D \cup E| = |D| + |E|$ . If they are not disjoint, then

$$(1) \quad |D \cup E| = |D| + |E| - |D \cap E|.$$

Now substitute  $D = A \cup B$  and  $E = C$ , to get

$$|A \cup B \cup C| = |(A \cup B) \cup C| = |A \cup B| + |C| - |(A \cup B) \cap C|$$

Applying (1) and the fact that  $(A \cup B) \cap C = (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$  then gives

$$\begin{aligned} |A \cup B \cup C| &= |A| + |B| - |A \cap B| + |C| \\ &\quad - (|A \cap C| + |B \cap C| - |(A \cap C) \cap (B \cap C)|). \end{aligned}$$

So  $|A \cup B \cup C| = |A| + |B| + |C| - |A \cap B| - |A \cap C| - |B \cap C| + |A \cap B \cap C|$ , as required. [5 marks]

**B7.**

- (i) Explain what is meant by an *inverse* of a function  $g: X \rightarrow Y$ , and prove that if  $g$  has an inverse, then it is a bijection. Is the converse true or false? [5 marks]
- (ii) Let  $h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by  $h(x) = \cos x$ , for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , and show that  $h$  is neither an injection nor a surjection. Find closed intervals  $I, J \subset \mathbb{R}$  for which the restriction  $h|_I: I \rightarrow J$  is a bijection. In this case, describe the inverse function. [5 marks]

**B7. Solution** (Bookwork and classwork)

- (i) An *inverse* of  $g$  is a function  $f: Y \rightarrow X$  for which  $f \cdot g = 1_X$  and  $g \cdot f = 1_Y$ . To prove that  $g$  is a bijection if it has an inverse, let the inverse be  $f: Y \rightarrow X$ . Then  $g$  is an injection, because  $g(w) = g(x) \Rightarrow f(g(w)) = f(g(x)) \Rightarrow 1_X(w) = 1_X(x) \Rightarrow w = x$  for any  $w, x \in X$ ; and  $g$  is a surjection because  $g(f(y)) = y$  for any  $y \in Y$ .  
The converse is always true; if  $g$  is a bijection, then it has an inverse. [5 marks]

- (ii) Given  $h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $y = h(x) = \cos x$  for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , observe that  $\cos \pi/2 = \cos 3\pi/2 = 0$ , so  $\cos$  is not injective; and that  $|\cos x| \leq 1$  for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , so  $\cos$  is not surjective because no  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  can satisfy  $\cos x = 2$ .  
But  $\cos$  is monotonic decreasing on the interval  $I := [0, \pi]$ , because  $\cos 0 = 1$ ,  $\cos \pi = -1$  and has derivative satisfying  $-\sin x \leq 0$  for all  $0 \leq x \leq \pi$ ; so  $\cos$  is injective on  $I$ . This also shows that  $\cos$  is surjective if its codomain is restricted to the interval  $J := [-1, 1]$ . Hence the restriction  $\cos|_I: I \rightarrow J$  is bijective. The inverse function is known as  $\cos^{-1}$  or  $\arccos: J \rightarrow I$ . [5 marks]

**B8.**

- (i) For non-negative integers
- $k, n$
- such that
- $k \leq n$
- , define

$$\binom{n}{k}$$

in terms of subsets of a finite set of size  $n$ , and give an explicit formula for it in terms of factorials. State the *Binomial Theorem* for expanding  $(a + b)^n$  for any positive integer  $n$  and real numbers  $a$  and  $b$ ; deduce that

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} = 0.$$

[5 marks]

- (ii) Compute

$$\sum_{k=0}^5 \frac{2^{3k} (-2)^{7-k}}{k! (5-k)!}.$$

[5 marks]

**B8. Solution** (Bookwork and similar to homework)

- (i) By definition,
- $\binom{n}{k}$
- is the total number of subsets of size
- $k$
- of any set of size
- $n$
- . Such a subset can be chosen in precisely

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

ways. The Binomial Theorem states that

$$(a + b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^k b^{n-k}$$

for any positive integer  $n$  and any real numbers  $a$  and  $b$ . Choosing  $a = 1$  and  $b = -1$  gives

$$0 = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k}$$

as required.

[5 marks]

- (ii)

$$\sum_{k=0}^5 \frac{2^{3k} (-2)^{7-k}}{k! (5-k)!} = \frac{1}{5!} \sum_{k=0}^5 \frac{5!}{k! (5-k)!} 8^k (-2)^{5-k} (-2)^2 = \frac{4}{5!} (8 - 2)^5 = \frac{6^5}{30}.$$

[5 marks]



**B9.**

- (i) Explain what is meant by a *relation*  $\sim$  on a set  $X$ , and describe the properties required for  $\sim$  to be *reflexive*, *symmetric*, and *transitive*. Determine whether

$$m \sim n \Leftrightarrow m|n$$

defines an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

[5 marks]

- (ii) Given an equivalence relation  $\sim$  on  $X$ , define the *equivalence class*  $[x]$  for any  $x \in X$ , and prove that either  $[x] = [y]$  or  $[x] \cap [y] = \emptyset$  for any  $y \in X$ .

[5 marks]

**B9. Solution** (Bookwork)

- (i) A relation is a subset of  $X \times X$ . A relation  $\sim$  is reflexive if  $x \sim x$  for all  $x \in X$ , is symmetric if  $x \sim y$  implies  $y \sim x$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , and is transitive if  $x \sim y$  and  $y \sim z$  imply  $x \sim z$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . The relation given by

$$m \sim n \Leftrightarrow m|n$$

on  $\mathbb{Z}$  is not symmetric, because  $1 \sim 2$  but  $2 \not\sim 1$ . So it cannot be an equivalence relation, otherwise all three properties would hold.

[5 marks]

- (ii) If  $x \in X$ , then  $[x]$  is the set  $\{y \in X : x \sim y\}$ .

No  $[x]$  can be empty, by reflexivity; so to prove that either  $[x] = [y]$  or  $[x] \cap [y] = \emptyset$  for any  $x, y \in X$ , it is enough to show (by taking contrapositives) that  $[x] \cap [y] \neq \emptyset$  implies  $[x] = [y]$ . Let  $w \in [x] \cap [y]$ , which implies that  $x \sim w$  and  $y \sim w$ . Hence  $w \sim y$  by symmetry and  $x \sim w \sim y$ ; so  $x \sim y$  by transitivity. Thus  $z \in [y]$  implies  $x \sim y \sim z$ , so  $x \sim z$  and  $z \in [x]$ ; similarly,  $z \in [x]$  implies  $z \in [y]$ . Thus  $[x] = [y]$ , as required.

[5 marks]

**B10.**

- (i) Explain what it means for a positive integer  $p \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  to be *prime*, and prove that there are infinitely many primes in  $\mathbb{Z}^+$ . [*You may use the fact that every integer greater than 1 factorises into a product of primes in a unique way*] [5 marks]
- (ii) Let  $[0], [1], [2], [3], [4], [5]$  be the six congruence classes of the integers modulo 6; explain why there are only two primes in the set

$$[0] \cup [2] \cup [3] \cup [4] \subset \mathbb{Z},$$

and show that  $x, y \in [1]$  implies  $xy \in [1]$ . By considering integers of the form  $6P - 1$ , deduce that  $[5]$  contains infinitely many primes.

[5 marks]

**B10. Solution** (Bookwork and similar to homework)

- (i) A positive integer  $p$  is prime if  $p > 1$  and the only positive divisors of  $p$  are  $p$  and 1. Suppose there are only finitely many primes  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k$ . Let

$$N = p_1 \times p_2 \times \dots \times p_k + 1.$$

We know that every integer greater than one factorises into a product of primes, so the same must be true of  $N$ . However, none of the primes listed above can divide  $N$ , since each leaves remainder 1. This is a contradiction, so there must be infinitely many primes.

[5 marks]

- (ii) The integers contained in  $[0]$  are all divisible by 6 and so cannot be prime. The numbers contained in  $[2]$  are all divisible by 2 and so cannot be prime, apart from 2 itself. The numbers contained in  $[3]$  are all divisible by 3 and so cannot be prime, apart from 3 itself. The numbers contained in  $[4]$  are all divisible by 4 and so cannot be prime. This means that the only primes contained in the union are 2 and 3. If  $x, y \in [1]$ , then  $x \equiv 1$  and  $y \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$ , so by Modular Arithmetic  $xy \equiv 1 \times 1 = 1 \pmod{6}$  meaning that  $xy \in [1]$ .

Now suppose that  $p_1, \dots, p_k$  is a finite list of all the primes in  $[5]$ , let  $P = p_1 p_2 \dots p_k$  and consider the integer

$$N = 6P - 1.$$

Note that  $k \geq 1$  (since the prime 5 is in  $[5]$ ) so that  $N > 1$ . Furthermore,  $N$  is not divisible by 2, 3,  $p_1, \dots, p_k$  (because these primes divide  $6P$  and do not divide  $-1$ ) and so the unique prime factorisation of  $N$  must include only primes in  $[1]$ . However, a product of primes in  $[1]$  must also lie in  $[1]$ , as shown above. Since  $N \in [5]$ , this is again a contradiction.

[5 marks]