

**Three hours**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER**

**FOUNDATIONS OF PURE MATHEMATICS A**

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**14.00 – 17.00**

Answer ALL TEN questions

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**SECTION A**Answer **ALL FIVE** questions**A1.**

- (i) Write down the negation of the statement

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists y \in \mathbb{R}, x > 3y.$$

State whether the statement or its negation is true. Explain your answer.

- (ii) Write down the contrapositive of the statement

'For any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if 5 does not divide  $n^2$ , then 5 does not divide  $n$ .'

Prove the statement is true.

[5 marks]

**A2.**

- (i) Let
- $A$
- and
- $B$
- be subsets of a universal set
- $U$
- . Prove that
- $(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$
- .

- (ii) Let
- $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$
- and let the function
- $f : A \times A \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$
- be defined by
- $f((a, b)) = a - b$
- . Write down
- $\text{Im } f$
- , listing all the elements.

Is  $f$  injective? Explain your answer.

- (iii) State the Pigeonhole Principle.

[5 marks]

**A3.**

- (i) Use the method of successive squaring to find the remainder of
- $2^{65}$
- when divided by 100.

- (ii) Hence or otherwise, find the last two decimal digits of
- $798^{65}$
- .

- (iii) You are given that
- $n \in \mathbb{N}$
- is such that
- $2^n$
- leaves remainder 2 when divided by 100. Prove by contradiction that
- $n = 1$
- .

[5 marks]

**A4.** Let  $\phi : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  be Euler's phi-function. Let  $p, q$  be prime numbers such that  $p \neq q$ , and let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- (i) Write down a formula for
- $\frac{\phi((pq)^k)}{(pq)^k}$
- .

- (ii) Hence or otherwise, show that
- $10^{-k}\phi(10^k) = 0.4$
- .

- (iii) Is it possible for
- $\phi((pq)^k)$
- to be a prime number? Explain your answer.

[5 marks]

**A5.** The permutations  $\rho, \sigma, \tau \in S_8$  are given by

$$\rho = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma = (1, 2) \circ (2, 3) \circ (3, 4) \circ (4, 5) \circ (2, 3) \circ (1, 2), \quad \tau = \rho \circ \sigma \circ \rho^{-1}.$$

- (i) By writing
- $\tau$
- as a product of disjoint cycles, show that
- $\tau$
- is a cycle of length 3. State the order of
- $\tau$
- .

- (ii) How many cycles of length 3 are there in
- $S_8$
- ? Explain your answer briefly. (Your answer may contain binomial coefficients or factorials, and you do not have to calculate their numerical values.)

[5 marks]

**SECTION B**Answer **ALL FIVE** questions**B6.**

- (i) Let  $P(n)$  be a predicate. Describe the method of simple induction used to prove that  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . [2 marks]
- (ii) Use simple induction to prove that  $2^{n-1} \leq n!$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . [4 marks]
- (iii) Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $g : \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  be defined by

$$f(x) = e^x, \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}.$$

Write down  $g \circ f$ , stating the domain and codomain. Is  $g \circ f$  surjective? Explain your answer. [4 marks]

**B7.**

- (i) Define what it means to say that a set is denumerable. Prove that the set of even integers is denumerable. [3 marks]
- (ii) Define what it means for two sets to be equipotent.  
Let  $A, B$  and  $C$  be sets. Prove that if  $A$  and  $B$  are equipotent and  $B$  and  $C$  are equipotent, then  $A$  and  $C$  are equipotent. (You should state, without proof, any properties of functions you use.)  
Prove that the open intervals  $(0, 1)$  and  $(0, 10)$ , subsets of the set of real numbers, are equipotent. [5 marks]
- (iii) Write the repeating decimal  $0.3\overline{457}$  as  $\frac{m}{n}$  where  $m, n$  are integers. [2 marks]

**B8.** Let  $(x_0, y_0) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  be an integer solution of the equation  $ax + by = c$  where  $a, b, c$  are integers.

- (i) Assuming that  $a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ , prove that if  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  is a solution of this equation, then

$$(x, y) = \left(x_0 - \frac{b}{\gcd(a, b)}t, y_0 + \frac{a}{\gcd(a, b)}t\right)$$

for some  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Results from the course used in the proof must be stated, but you do not have to prove them. [6 marks]

- (ii) Now assume that  $a = 0$  and  $b \neq 0$ . Is it still true that if  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  is a solution of the equation  $ax + by = c$ , then  $(x, y)$  is given by the formula from (i)? Justify your answer. [4 marks]

**B9.** Let the relation  $\sim$  be defined on the set  $\mathbb{Z}$  as follows: for  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $a \sim b$  if and only if  $4 \mid (7a^3 + b^3)$ .

- (i) Prove that  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation. [5 marks]
- (ii) Show that the equivalence class of the integer 0 is the set of even integers. [3 marks]
- (iii) Write down, without proof, one other equivalence class induced by the relation  $\sim$ . [2 marks]

**B10.**

- (i) Give the definition of a prime number.

Deduce from the definition that every prime number  $p$  has the following property: for all integers  $a$ ,  $a$  is divisible by  $p$  or  $a$  is coprime to  $p$ .

Is there any non-prime number  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  which has this property? Explain your answer.

[5 marks]

- (ii) Let  $P$  be the set of all prime numbers. Prove:  $\exists S \subseteq P$ ,  $1 \leq |S| \leq 2^{99}$ ,  $\left(\prod_{p \in S} p\right) \equiv 1 \pmod{2^{99}}$ .

[5 marks]

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