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INSTRUCTIONS:

- This exam is 8 pages long. It is printed double-sided. **Check that your exam is complete.**
- There are **5 questions** worth **28 marks**. All questions will be graded.
- All questions must be answered in the space provided. If you need extra space, a blank white page is provided at the end of the booklet. Make sure to indicate in the original answer space that your solution is continued on the final page.
- Do not unstaple the exam booklet.
- Coloured paper is for rough work only.

MIDTERM RULES:

- You are **not allowed** to use: cell phones or other devices, calculators, ear buds, the textbook, or any notes.
- Remember that this exam must be done **on your own**, without asking other students for help or searching for solutions online. Giving information to other students or receiving it from other students is an **academic offence** that is taken very seriously.

WRITING SOLUTIONS:

- Answers are graded on **correctness, style and presentation**.
- Do not submit any **rough work**. Do your rough work on scratch paper, and only submit a **clearly** and **neatly** written answer.
- Your proofs should be written in **complete sentences**, starting with capitals and ending with periods. They should be in **paragraph form**, similar to the proofs in the textbook. For example, you shouldn't put each sentence on a new line.
- Don't use informal abbreviations such as three dots for "therefore." Logical symbols can be used when they clarify things to the reader, but English words can often be more effective.
- Include **all of the steps** that are needed to logically justify every claim you make. Do not include unnecessary steps. Try to be **concise** and **complete**.



For question 1 only, you do not need to show your work.

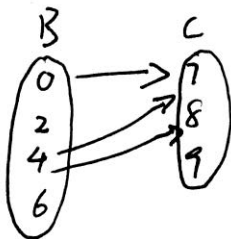
1. Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$, $B = \{0, 2, 4, 6\}$, and $C = \{7, 8, 9\}$. Let R be the relation from A to B defined by aRb iff $|b-a| = 2$. Let S be the relation from C to B defined by $S = \{(7, 0), (7, 4), (8, 4)\}$.

- [2] (a) Write down R as a set of ordered pairs.

$$R = \{(2, 0), (2, 4), (4, 6)\}.$$

- [3] (b) Write down S^{-1} as a set of ordered pairs and draw a picture of S^{-1} using arrows.

$$S^{-1} = \{(0, 7), (4, 7), (4, 8)\}$$



- [2] (c) Write down $S^{-1} \circ R$ as a set of ordered pairs.

$$S^{-1} \circ R = \{(2, 7), (2, 8)\}$$

- [2] (d) What are the domain of R and the range of S ?

the domain of R is $\{2, 4\}$

the range of S is $\{0, 4\}$.



2. Consider the relation T on \mathbb{N} defined by nTm iff $n - m$ is an even natural number.

[2] (a) Is T reflexive? If it is, give a proof. If it is not, give a counterexample.

(a) Yes. assume an arbitrary natural number a .

$a - a = 0$ for any value of a .

$aTa = \{ (a, a) \mid a - a \text{ is an even natural number} \}$.

Since 0 is an even natural number, aTa holds.

Thus, T is reflexive.

[2] (b) Is T symmetric? If it is, give a proof. If it is not, give a counterexample.

(b) Yes. assume random number n, m such that there is a integer k $n - m = 2k$. therefore, $m - n = -2k$.

$mTn = \{ (m, n) \mid m - n \text{ is an even natural number} \}$.

Since $-2k$ is an even natural number, mTn holds.

Thus, T is symmetric.



- [3] (c) Is T transitive? If it is, give a proof. If it is not, give a counterexample.

No.



[4] 3. Suppose x and y are real numbers. Prove that $x + y = xy + 1$ iff either $x = 1$ or $y = 1$.

existence: if $x = 1$, left hand side $= y + 1$, right hand side $= y + 1$.

if $y = 1$, left hand side $= x + 1$, right hand side $= x + 1$.

So $x + y = xy + 1$ holds if either $x = 1$ or $y = 1$.

uniqueness: $x + y = xy + 1$.

$$x - xy + y - 1 = 0$$

$$x(1 - y) - (1 - y) = 0.$$

$$(x - 1)(1 - y) = 0.$$

In this case, the function holds only

if $x = 1$ or $y = 1$.

Thus, $x + y = xy + 1$ iff either $x = 1$ or $y = 1$ \square .



- [4] 4. Prove that for all $y \in \mathbb{R}$, if $y \neq 0$ and $y \neq 1$ then there exists a unique $x \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $1 + xy^2 = xy$.

existence:

$$1 + xy^2 = xy$$

$$x(y - y^2) = 1$$

Since $y \neq 0$ and $y \neq 1$,

$$(y - y^2) \neq 0$$

$$x = \frac{1}{y(1-y)}$$

$$\forall y \in \mathbb{R}, \exists x_0 = \frac{1}{y(1-y)} \text{ such that } 1 + xy^2 = xy$$

$$\text{uniqueness: } y^2 x - yx + 1 = 0$$

$$x(y - \frac{1}{2})^2 = \frac{x}{4} - 1$$

$$(y - \frac{1}{2})^2 = \frac{x-4}{4x}$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{\frac{x-4}{4x}} + \frac{1}{2}$$



- [4] 5. Let \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} be families of sets. Prove that $\bigcup \mathcal{F}$ and $\bigcup \mathcal{G}$ are disjoint iff for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$ and all $B \in \mathcal{G}$, A and B are disjoint.

assume an arbitrary $a \in A$. Because $a \in A$, $a \in \bigcup \mathcal{F}$. Since $\bigcup \mathcal{F}$ and $\bigcup \mathcal{G}$ are disjoint, $a \notin \bigcup \mathcal{G}$, and a is an arbitrary element, it can be written as $\forall a \in A \rightarrow a \notin \bigcup \mathcal{G}$, thus, A and $\bigcup \mathcal{G}$ are disjoint.

assume an arbitrary $a \in A$. Since A and $\bigcup \mathcal{G}$ are disjoint, $\forall a \in A \rightarrow a \notin \bigcup \mathcal{G}$. Since $\forall x \in \bigcup \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \exists A \ni x \in A$, $\forall y \in \bigcup \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \exists B \ni y \in B$, $\forall x \in \bigcup \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \neg \exists B \ni x \in B$, so $\forall x \in \bigcup \mathcal{F} \rightarrow x \notin \bigcup \mathcal{G}$. Thus, $\bigcup \mathcal{F}$ and $\bigcup \mathcal{G}$ are disjoint.



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