

(MH1300 Final Exam Solutions)

AY 19/20.

Q1(a)

Suppose x, y, z are real numbers, x is irrational, $y \neq 0$ and y is rational.

We proceed by contradiction and assume that the conclusion is false, i.e. both $xy + z$ and $xy - z$ are rational.

Then by Theorem 4.2.2. of the lecture notes, the sum of any two rational numbers is rational.

Since both $xy + z$ and $xy - z$ are rational, their sum $(xy + z) + (xy - z) = 2xy$ is rational.

By Ex. 4.2.16 in Tutorial 5, $\frac{2xy}{2y}$ is rational,

because $2xy$ is rational and $2y \neq 0$ is rational.

Hence, x is rational, a contradiction to the hypothesis.

Q1b

Let n be a positive integer, and n composite.
Suppose for a contradiction that there is no divisor m of n such that $1 < m \leq \sqrt{n}$.

Since $n > 1$ is composite, let p, q be divisors of n such that $p \cdot q = n$, $1 < p < n$ and $1 < q < n$.

Since $p \mid n$, by our assumption, $1 < p \leq \sqrt{n}$ is false.
So, $1 < p$ and $p \leq \sqrt{n}$ is false. Since $1 < p$,
this means $p \leq \sqrt{n}$ is false. So, we conclude
that $p > \sqrt{n}$. Similarly, $q > \sqrt{n}$, by a similar argument.

Therefore, $n = p \cdot q > \sqrt{n} \cdot \sqrt{n} = n$, and we obtain
 $n > n$, a contradiction.

Thus, there is some divisor $m \mid n$ such that $1 < m \leq \sqrt{n}$.

Q1 c

$\neg s$ (premise)

$\neg s \vee p$ (generalisation)

$(\neg s \vee p) \rightarrow \neg \neg r$ (premise)

$\neg \neg r$ (Modus Ponens)

r (Double Negation Law)

$r \rightarrow \neg p$ (Premise)

$\neg p$ (Modus Ponens)

$\neg p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow \neg r)$ (Premise)

$q \rightarrow \neg r$ (Modus Ponens)

$\neg q$ (Modus Tollens)

Q2(a) This is true. Take $A = \{0\}$ and $B = \{0, \{0\}\}$. Then, $A \neq \emptyset$ since $0 \in A$ and $A \in B$ since $\{0\} \in B$. Furthermore, $A \subseteq B$ since $0 \in B$.

In fact, you can choose A to be any set such that $A = \{x\}$ and take $B = \{x, A\}$. However, you cannot choose $A = \emptyset$ and $B = \{\emptyset\}$ even though $A \in B$ and $A \subseteq B$ hold, since this case, A is not non-empty.

Q2(b) This is false. We show the negation.

Given any integer n , it is either even or odd. If n is even, then n, n^2, n^3, n^4 are all even. Then, $n + n^2 + n^3 + n^4$ is the sum of 4 even numbers, which is even.

If n is odd, then n, n^2, n^3, n^4 are all odd. Then $n + n^2 + n^3 + n^4 = \text{odd} + \text{odd} + \text{odd} + \text{odd}$. The sum of two odd numbers is even, hence, $n + n^2$ and $n^3 + n^4$ are even.

However the sum of two even numbers is even, so $(n + n^2) + (n^3 + n^4)$ is even.

Q2(c)

This is false. We assume this statement is true, i.e. we assume that there exist a, b odd such that $4 \mid (3a^2 + 7b^2)$.

We want to derive a contradiction.

Since a, b are odd, let $a = 2k+1$ and $b = 2l+1$ for some integers k and l .

Since $4 \mid (3a^2 + 7b^2)$, let m be an integer such that $4m = 3a^2 + 7b^2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus, } 4m &= 3(2k+1)^2 + 7(2l+1)^2 \\ &= 3(4k^2 + 4k + 1) + 7(4l^2 + 4l + 1) \\ &= 12k^2 + 12k + 3 + 28l^2 + 28l + 7 \\ 4(m - 3k^2 - 3k - 7l^2 - 7l) &= 10 \end{aligned}$$

Since $m - 3k^2 - 3k - 7l^2 - 7l \in \mathbb{Z}$,

this means that $\frac{10}{4} \in \mathbb{Z}$

So, $\frac{5}{2} \in \mathbb{Z}$, a contradiction.

(Alternatively, we get $2 \mid 5$ contradicting that 5 is prime)

Hence, our assumption " \exists odd a, b s.t. $4 \mid (3a^2 + 7b^2)$ " must be false.

Q3a

Let $P(n)$ be the statement

$$1 + 5 + 9 + \dots + (4n-3) = 2n^2 - n.$$

Base case: $P(1)$

$$\text{LHS} = 1$$

$$\text{RHS} = 2(1)^2 - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS} = \text{RHS}.$$

Assume $P(k)$, i.e. assume $1 + 5 + 9 + \dots + (4k-3) = 2k^2 - k$.

Want to show $P(k+1)$.

$$\text{LHS of } P(k+1) = 1 + 5 + 9 + \dots + (4k-3) + (4k+1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{By IH}) &= (2k^2 - k) + (4k+1) \\ &= 2k^2 + 3k + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{RHS of } P(k+1) = 2(k+1)^2 - (k+1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2(k^2 + 2k + 1) - k - 1 \\ &= 2k^2 + 4k + 2 - k - 1 \\ &= 2k^2 + 3k + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS} = \text{RHS} \text{ for } P(k+1)$$

$\therefore P(k+1)$ holds.

\therefore By Mathematical Induction, $P(n)$ holds for all $n \geq 1$.

Q3(b)

Let $P(n)$ be the statement

" $3^{4n+1} - 5^{2n-1}$ is divisible by 7"

Base case $P(1)$:

$$\begin{aligned}3^{4+1} - 5^{2-1} &= 3^5 - 5 = 243 - 5 \\&= 238 = 7(34)\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore 3^{4+1} - 5^{2-1}$ is divisible by 7.

Assume $P(k)$ holds, i.e. $3^{4k+1} - 5^{2k-1}$ is div by 7.

let ℓ be such that $7\ell = 3^{4k+1} - 5^{2k-1}$.

Want to show $P(k+1)$.

$$\begin{aligned}3^{4(k+1)+1} - 5^{2(k+1)-1} &= 3^{4k+5} - 5^{2k+1} \\&= 3^{4k+1} \cdot 3^4 - 5^{2k-1} \cdot 5^2 \\&= 81 \cdot 3^{4k+1} - 25 \cdot 5^{2k-1} \\&= 77 \cdot 3^{4k+1} - 21 \cdot 5^{2k-1} + 4(3^{4k+1} - 5^{2k-1}) \\&= 7(11 \cdot 3^{4k+1} - 3 \cdot 5^{2k-1}) + 4 \cdot 7\ell \\&= 7(11 \cdot 3^{4k+1} - 3 \cdot 5^{2k-1} + 4\ell)\end{aligned}$$

Since $11 \cdot 3^{4k+1} - 3 \cdot 5^{2k-1} + 4\ell \in \mathbb{Z}$, this means

that $3^{4(k+1)+1} - 5^{2(k+1)-1}$ is divisible by 7.

Hence $P(k+1)$ is true. By Mathematical Induction, $P(n)$ holds for all $n \geq 1$.

Q 4(a)

Let n be an integer.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (n-1)^3 + n^3 + (n+1)^3 \\
 = & (n^3 - 3n^2 + 3n - 1) + n^3 + (n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n + 1) \\
 = & 3n^3 + 6n = 3n(n^2 + 2)
 \end{aligned}$$

By the Quotient Remainder Theorem applied to $d=3$,
there are 3 cases:

Case 1: $n = 3q$ for some q . Then $3n(n^2 + 2) = 9q(q^2 + 2)$
 $= 9(q(q^2 + 2))$ is divisible by 9.

Case 2: $n = 3q + 1$ for some q . Then $3n(n^2 + 2) = 3n((3q+1)^2 + 2)$
 $= 3n(9q^2 + 6q + 1 + 2)$
 $= 9n(3q^2 + 2q + 1)$ is divisible by 9.

Case 3: $n = 3q + 2$ for some q . Then $3n(n^2 + 2) = 3n((3q+2)^2 + 2)$
 $= 3n(9q^2 + 12q + 4 + 2)$
 $= 9n(3q^2 + 4q + 2)$ is divisible by 9.

In any case, $(n-1)^3 + n^3 + (n+1)^3$ is divisible by 9.

Q4(b)

Let m be an integer, with digits

$$d_k d_{k-1} d_{k-2} \dots d_3 d_2 d_1 d_0.$$

Then, $m = 10^k d_k + 10^{k-1} d_{k-1} + \dots + 10^2 d_2 + 10 d_1 + d_0.$

We assume $k \geq 2$, by choosing $d_k, \dots, d_1, d_0 = 0$ if necessary.

Suppose $d_1 d_0$ is a number divisible by 4.

Hence, $10 d_1 + d_0$ is divisible by 4.

Let a be an integer such that $4a = 10 d_1 + d_0.$

$$\text{Then } m = 10^k d_k + \dots + 10^2 d_2 + (10 d_1 + d_0)$$

$$= 2^k 5^k d_k + \dots + 2^2 5^2 d_2 + 4a$$

$$= 2^2 (2^{k-2} 5^k d_k + \dots + 5^2 d_2) + 4a$$

$$= 4 (2^{k-2} 5^k d_k + \dots + 5^2 d_2 + a)$$

Since $2^{k-2} 5^k d_k + \dots + 5^2 d_2 + a$ is an integer

as $k \geq 2$, this means m is divisible by 4.

Q4(c) We proceed by contradiction.

Suppose p is a positive integer with the property
 $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z} (p \nmid ab \rightarrow (p \mid a \text{ or } p \mid b))$,

and that \sqrt{p} is rational.

Let $r, s \in \mathbb{Z}$, $s \neq 0$ such that $\sqrt{p} = \frac{r}{s}$, $\frac{r}{s}$ is in lowest form.

Then $p = \frac{r^2}{s^2}$ and $r^2 = s^2 p$.

Since $s^2 \in \mathbb{Z}$, this means $p \mid r^2$.

By the assumption on p , we have $p \mid r$ or $p \nmid r$,
hence p must divide r .

Let t be such that $p \cdot t = r$

$$\text{So, } s^2 p = r^2 = (pt)^2 = p^2 t^2$$

Since $p > 0$, we may divide p on both sides,

$$s^2 = p t^2.$$

Hence $p \mid s^2$. By assumption on p , we have $p \mid s$ or $p \nmid s$.

Hence p must divide s .

So, $p \mid s$ and $p \mid r$. Since $p > 1$, this contradicts
our assumption that $\frac{r}{s}$ is in the lowest form.

Q 5 a(i)

$$\text{WTS: } A \cap (B \Delta C) = (A \cap B) \Delta (A \cap C)$$

$$x \in A \cap (B \Delta C)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in A \text{ and } x \in B \Delta C$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in A \text{ and } (x \in B - C \text{ or } x \in C - B)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x \in A \text{ and } x \in B - C) \text{ or } (x \in A \text{ and } x \in C - B)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x \in A \text{ and } x \in B \text{ and } x \notin C) \text{ or } (x \in A \text{ and } x \in C \text{ and } x \notin B)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x \in A \text{ and } x \in B \text{ and } (x \notin A \text{ or } x \notin C))$$

$$\text{or } (x \in A \text{ and } x \in C \text{ and } (x \notin A \text{ or } x \notin B))$$

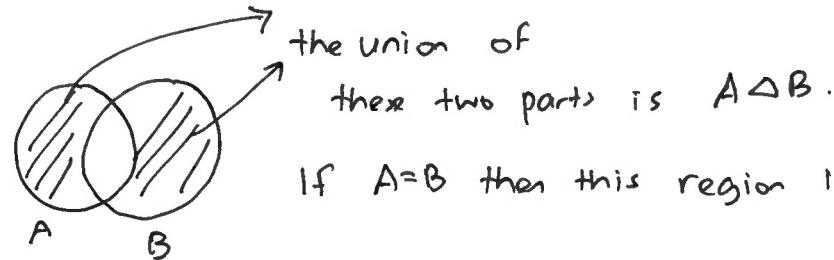
Note: If $x \in A$ then $x \notin C$ is equivalent to
 $x \notin C$ or $x \notin A$.

$$\Leftrightarrow (x \in A \cap B \text{ and } x \notin A \cap C) \text{ or } (x \in A \cap C \text{ and } x \notin A \cap B)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in (A \cap B) - (A \cap C) \text{ or } x \in (A \cap C) - (A \cap B)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \in (A \cap B) \Delta (A \cap C)$$

Q 5a(ii)



If $A=B$ then this region is empty.

Condition is $A \Delta B = \emptyset$.

WTS: $A=B$ iff $A \Delta B = \emptyset$.

We prove contrapositive: $A \neq B \Leftrightarrow A \Delta B \neq \emptyset$.

$$A \neq B \Leftrightarrow A \not\subseteq B \text{ or } B \not\subseteq A$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists x (x \in A \text{ & } x \notin B) \text{ or } \exists y (y \in B \text{ & } y \notin A)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A-B \neq \emptyset \text{ or } B-A \neq \emptyset$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (A-B) \cup (B-A) \neq \emptyset$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A \Delta B \neq \emptyset.$$

Q5b

In lecture, we said that

- Number of elements in $A \times B =$
(Number of elements in A). (Number of elements in B)
- Number of elements in $P(A) = 2^{\text{number of elements in } A}$.

Using this facts, number of elements in $P(D \times D) = 2^{k^2}$

and size of $P(D \times D) \times P(D \times D) = 2^{k^2} \cdot 2^{k^2}$
 $= 2^{2k^2}$

Size of $P(P(D)) = 2^{2^k}$.

Q5c

Let $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be $f(n) = 5n + 2$.

f is one-one : let $5n+2 = 5m+2$

$$\Rightarrow 5n = 5m$$

$$\Rightarrow n = m.$$

f is not surjective/onto : let $y=0 \in \mathbb{Z}$.

If it were surjective, then $f(n) = 0$ for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

So, $5n+2 = 0$ for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

So, $n = -\frac{2}{5}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, a contradiction.

So f is not surjective.

$$\boxed{Q6(a)} \quad |z+w| = |(a+c) + (b+d)i| = \sqrt{(a+c)^2 + (b+d)^2}$$

$$|z| + |w| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2} + \sqrt{c^2 + d^2}$$

$$|z+w| = |z| + |w|$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a+c)^2 + (b+d)^2 = (\sqrt{a^2+b^2} + \sqrt{c^2+d^2})^2 \\ = (a^2+b^2) + (c^2+d^2) + 2\sqrt{(a^2+b^2)(c^2+d^2)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow ac + bd = \sqrt{(a^2+b^2)(c^2+d^2)}$$

This condition holds if and only if $ac + bd \geq 0$ and

$$(ac + bd)^2 = (a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d^2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^2c^2 + b^2d^2 + 2abcd = a^2c^2 + b^2d^2 + b^2c^2 + b^2d^2 \quad \text{and } ac + bd \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2abcd = a^2d^2 + b^2c^2 \quad \text{and } ac + bd \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a^2d^2 + b^2c^2 - 2abcd = 0 \quad \text{and } ac + bd \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (ad - bc)^2 = 0 \quad \text{and } ac + bd \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow ad = bc \quad \text{and } ac + bd \geq 0.$$

Note that under the condition $ad = bc$, whenever $ac \geq 0$
 we must ^{also} have $bd \geq 0$, and vice versa. So, the
 acceptable answers are:

$$ad = bc \quad \text{and } ac + bd \geq 0$$

$$ad = bc \quad \text{and } ac \geq 0$$

$$ad = bc \quad \text{and } bd \geq 0$$

} All acceptable answers.

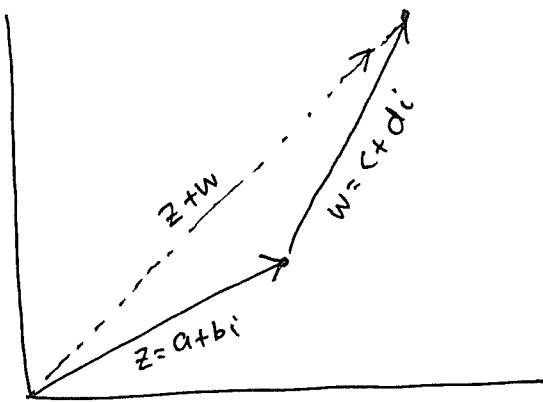
Q 6(a)

Alternate solution.

$|z+w|$ = length of vector representing $z+w$

$|z|$ = length of vector representing z

$$|w| = t_1 - t_2 + t_3 - t_4$$



length of vector $z+w$ = length of z +
length of w

exactly when z and w are parallel and pointing in the same direction.

Exactly when $\frac{b}{a} = \frac{d}{c} \Rightarrow$ slopes are equal

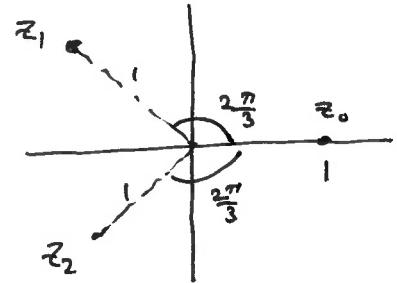
and $ac > 0 \iff$ a & c are both +ve
or both -ve

and $b d > 0$

Q6b

$$z^3 = 1 \therefore 1 e^{i0}, \text{ take } r=1 \\ \theta = 0.$$

$$z = r^{\frac{1}{3}} e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}}, r^{\frac{1}{3}} e^{i\frac{4\pi}{3}}, r^{\frac{1}{3}} e^{i\frac{6\pi}{3}} \\ = e^{i\frac{2\pi}{3}}, e^{i\frac{4\pi}{3}}, e^{i2\pi}$$



$$z_0 = 1$$

$$z_1 = \cos \frac{2\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{3} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$$

$$z_2 = \cos \frac{4\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{4\pi}{3} = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$$

Q6c

No. For example $R_1 = \{(0,1)\}$, $R_2 = \{(1,2)\}$

are transitive relations on \mathbb{Z} .

However, $R_1 \cup R_2 = \{(0,1), (1,2)\}$ is not transitive, since $(0,2) \notin R_1 \cup R_2$.

Q7 a(i)

Define relation R on \mathbb{N} by

$(a, b) \in R$ iff $a^2 + b^2$ is even.

R is reflexive: let $a \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $a^2 + a^2 = 2a^2$ is even.

So, $(a, a) \in R$.

R is symmetric: let $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(a, b) \in R$.

Then, $a^2 + b^2$ is even. Since $b^2 + a^2 = a^2 + b^2$,

so $b^2 + a^2$ is even also. So, $(b, a) \in R$.

R is transitive: let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $(a, b) \in R$ and $(b, c) \in R$.

Then $a^2 + b^2$ is even and $b^2 + c^2$ is even.

Let $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $a^2 + b^2 = 2k$, $b^2 + c^2 = 2l$.

Then $(a^2 + b^2) + (b^2 + c^2) = 2(k+l)$.

$$a^2 + c^2 = 2(k+l) - 2b^2 = 2(k+l - b^2)$$

So, $a^2 + c^2$ is even. Hence, $(a, c) \in R$.

Since R is reflexive, symmetric and transitive, R is an equivalence relation.

Q7 a(ii)

Notice that $(a,b) \in R$ iff $a^2 + b^2$ is even

iff a^2, b^2 are both even or a^2, b^2 both odd.

iff a, b both even or a, b both odd.

So if a is any even natural number,

$$[a] = \{0, 2, 4, 6, \dots\}$$

If a is any odd number,

$$[a] = \{1, 3, 5, 7, \dots\}.$$

There are only two distinct equivalence classes,

$[0]$ = set of even natural numbers,

$[1]$ = set of odd natural numbers.

Q7(b)

$$224 = 126 \times 1 + 98$$

$$126 = 98 \times 1 + 28$$

$$98 = 28 \times 3 + 14$$

$$28 = 14 \times 2 + 0$$

$$\gcd(224, 126) = 14.$$