

Final Exam, 5/3
Math 181 (Discrete Structures), Spring 2024

Each problem is worth 10 points, for a total of 80 points. You have 90 minutes to do the exam. Remember to *show your work* and *explain your answers* on all problems!

1. Let $A = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$, $B = \{2, 4, 5, 7\}$ and $C = \{2, 3, 5, 6\}$.
 - (a) Draw a Venn diagram for this situation.
 - (b) Let $X = (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A)$. Shade the area of the Venn diagram corresponding to X .
 - (c) Write the elements of $C \cap X$.
2. Convert the following argument to symbolic form and decide (with explanation) if it's valid.
Hypotheses: If I'm hungry or I'm thirsty then I go to the cafeteria. I'm thirsty.
Conclusion: I go to the cafeteria or I go to my office.
3. Give a proof of this theorem: "For any sets X , Y , and Z , if $X \subseteq Y$ then $X \cap Z \subseteq Y \cap Z$."
4. Prove by induction that, for all $n \geq 1$,

$$1 \times 1! + 2 \times 2! + 3 \times 3! + \cdots + n \times n! = (n + 1)! - 1.$$

5. Let $X = \{0, 1, 2\}$. Define functions $f: X \rightarrow X$ and $g: X \rightarrow X$ by letting
$$f(x) = 2x + 1 \pmod 3 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = x^2 \pmod 3$$
for all $x \in X$.

- (a) Draw the arrow diagrams for f , for g , and for $f \circ g$.
 - (b) Which of f , g , and $f \circ g$ are bijections? Explain.
6. For integers a and b , we say that a *divides* b if there is some integer c such that $b = c \times a$. Define a relation R on the set $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ of positive integers where we have $a R b$ if and only if a divides b . For each of the following four properties, explain whether the relation R has that property or not: (i) reflexive, (ii) symmetric, (iii) anti-symmetric, and (iv) transitive.
 7.
 - (a) How many rearrangements of the word ALASKA start with an A?
 - (b) How many rearrangements of ALASKA end with an S?
 - (c) How many rearrangements of ALASKA start with an A or end with an S (or both)?
 8. Recall that Pascal's triangle of binomial coefficients $C(n, k)$ begins:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} & & & & 1 & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & 1 & & 1 & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & 1 & & 2 & & 1 & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ 1 & & & 1 & & 3 & & 3 & & 1 \end{array}$$

- (a) Write down the next three rows of Pascal's triangle, i.e., the rows for $n = 4$, 5 , and 6 .
- (b) Using part (a): expand the polynomial $(x + y)^6$.
- (c) Using part (a): how many three element subsets of a five element set are there?