



**MATH.MA.210 Discrete mathematics Exam, 08.05.2023**

Answer **at least four and at most five** questions out of the following six. If you answer 5 questions, your points total will be counted. If you answer 4 questions, the points will be multiplied by 1.25. Indicate on the first page how many you are submitting. All questions have the same value.

### Questions

1. We define the following propositions:

$p$  means "It is raining",  $q$  means "It is cold", and  $r$  means "It is windy".

Also we define the following predicates:

$A(x)$  means person  $x$  is wearing a jacket.  $B(x)$  means the person  $x$  is wearing waterproof boots.  $C(x)$  means  $x$  goes out.

The universal set is some set of people, that includes at least the person "Jack".

- (a) Write the following sentence as a formula: "If Jack goes out and if it is raining, then Jack wears waterproof boots."
  - (b) Write the following statement as a formula "It is raining and it is cold and it is windy". From now on consider this formula as the definition of "The weather is bad".
  - (c) Write the formula "If the weather is bad, no one goes outside".
2. Prove the following is true for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  by induction:

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^n (2i - 1) \right) = n^2$$

3. The relation  $\sim$  is defined on  $\mathbb{Z}$  as follows:  $x \sim y$  if and only if

$$x \equiv y \pmod{6}$$

Prove that  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation. Describe the equivalence classes verbally and give examples of an element in each equivalence class.

4. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets such that  $|A| = m$  and  $|B| = n$ , and assume that  $m \leq n$ .

- (a) How many different functions  $f : A \rightarrow B$  exist?
  - (b) How many of these functions are injections?
  - (c) If  $m = n$ , prove that an injection must be a bijection.
5. Let the operation  $\star$  be defined for *odd integers*  $\mathbb{Z}^{odd}$  such that

$$x \star y = x + y + 1$$

Prove that  $\mathbb{Z}^{odd}$  with the operation  $\star$  forms a group, and explain what is the identity element of the group, and how to calculate the inverse for each element.

6. (a) What is the remainder when  $4^{119}$  is divided by 5?
- (b) Which of the following equations have unique solutions, and why/why not? List all solutions (i.e., all equivalence classes, obviously, as there are infinite many solutions when a solution exists)
- i.  $4x \equiv 7 \pmod{12}$
  - ii.  $4x \equiv 7 \pmod{11}$
  - iii.  $2x \equiv 6 \pmod{12}$

## APPENDIX: Some helpful formulas and definitions

**Definition 1.** If a relation is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive, we call it an *equivalence relation* or simply an *equivalence*.

**Definition 2.** A *group* is a pair  $(G, \bullet)$  where  $G$  is a set  $\bullet$  is an operation on  $G$  with the following properties

1. Associativity:  $(a \bullet b) \bullet c = a \bullet (b \bullet c)$  for  $a, b$ , and  $c \in G$ .
2. Identity element: There exists an element  $e \in G$  such that  $e \bullet a = a \bullet e = a$  for every  $a \in G$ .
3. Inverse: for every  $a \in G$  there is an element  $a^{-1} \in G$  such that  $a \bullet a^{-1} = a^{-1} \bullet a = e$ .

**Definition 3.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ . If for two numbers  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have  $n \mid (a - b)$ , we say that  $a$  is *congruent* with  $b$  *modulo*  $n$  and we denote  $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  or  $a \equiv_n b$ .