

1. (a) Give a counterexample to each following statements:

i. (4 pts) Every nonincreasing function from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  is injective.

$f(x) = c$  where  $c$  is a constant  
is nonincreasing and NOT injective from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$

ii. (4 pts) Every surjective function from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  is monotone.

Here are  
a few  
answers.

$f(x) = x^3 - x$  is surjective and NOT monotone from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$

$f(x) = x \sin(x)$  is surjective and NOT monotone from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$

$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x < -1, x > 1 \\ -x & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$  is surjective and NOT monotone from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$

(b) (4 pts) Let  $A = \{x : \cos(x) = 0 \text{ and } x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

Is the set  $A$  finite, countably infinite, or uncountably infinite? And very briefly explain why.

$$A = \left\{ -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}, -\frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, -\frac{5\pi}{2}, \frac{5\pi}{2}, \dots \right\}$$

$A$  is countably infinite

The elements of  $A$  are in 1:1 correspondence with  $\mathbb{N}$ .

In particular,  $f(x) = \begin{cases} -x\frac{\pi}{2} & \text{if } x \text{ is odd;} \\ x\frac{\pi}{2} & \text{if } x \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$  is

a bijection from  $\mathbb{N}$  to  $A$ .

(c) (6 pts) Using the binomial theorem and Pascal's triangle to help you expand, prove that for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ , the number  $(x+y)^5 - x^5 - y^5$  is divisible by 5.

pf Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

By the binomial theorem

$$\begin{aligned} (x+y)^5 - x^5 - y^5 &= x^5 + 5x^4y + 10x^3y^2 + 10x^2y^3 + 5xy^4 + y^5 - x^5 - y^5 \\ &= 5(x^4y + 2x^3y^2 + 2x^2y^3 + xy^4) \\ &= 5m \end{aligned}$$

where  $m = x^4y + 2x^3y^2 + 2x^2y^3 + xy^4 \in \mathbb{Z}$

Hence, 5 divides  $(x+y)^5 - x^5 - y^5$ .

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1	1				
1	2	1			
1	3	3	1		
1	4	6	4	1	
1	5	10	10	5	1

2. (a) Recall that  $\mathbb{Q} = \{\frac{a}{b} : a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } b \neq 0\}$ .

i. (8 pts) Giving a precise proof, show that  $f(x) = 4x$  is a bijection from  $\mathbb{Q}$  to  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

1-1 Let  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$  with  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

Then  $4x_1 = 4x_2$ , so  $x_1 = x_2$  (dividing by 4).

ONTO Let  $y \in \mathbb{Q}$ , so  $y = \frac{a}{b}$  for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0$ .

$4x = y$  is equivalent to  $x = \frac{y}{4} = \frac{a}{4b}$ .

So  $f(x) = y$  with  $x = \frac{a}{4b} \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

ii. (4 pts) Explain why  $f(x) = 4x$  is NOT a bijection from  $\mathbb{Z}$  to  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Give a specific counterexample to one of the conditions required for a bijection.

$4x = 1$  has no sol'n in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .  
 $1 \in \mathbb{Q}, \frac{1}{4} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ .

There are many other examples.

(b) (10 pts) Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function.

Define another function  $g: [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $g(x) = f(\frac{x}{x+1})$ .

Prove if  $f$  is injective, then  $g$  is injective.

pf Let  $g(x_1) = g(x_2)$  for  $x_1, x_2 \in [0, \infty)$ .

By defn of  $g$ ,  $f(\frac{x_1}{x_1+1}) = f(\frac{x_2}{x_2+1})$ .

Since  $f$  is one-to-one,  $\frac{x_1}{x_1+1} = \frac{x_2}{x_2+1}$ .

By multiplying by  $(x_1+1)(x_2+1)$  and simplifying.

$$x_1(x_2+1) = x_2(x_1+1)$$

$$x_1x_2 + x_1 = x_2x_1 + x_2$$

$$x_1 = x_2$$

CHECK YOUR TIME! LEAVE 20 MINUTES FOR THE LAST PAGE!

3. (a) (5 pts) Showing all the appropriate steps of the Euclidean algorithm, calculate the greatest common divisor of 240 and 345.

$$\begin{aligned}345 &= 1 \cdot 240 + 105 \\240 &= 2 \cdot 105 + 30 \\105 &= 3 \cdot 30 + \boxed{15} \\30 &= 2 \cdot 15\end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\gcd(345, 240) = 15}$$

- (b) (15 pts) Consider the sequence defined by  $a_1 = 3$ ,  $a_2 = 9$ , and  $a_n = a_{n-1}^2 - 7a_{n-2} + 12$  for  $n \geq 3$ . Using the precise definition of divisibility by 3 and the precise phrasing for a strong induction proof, show that  $a_n$  is divisible by 3 for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

pf

**BASE STEP** For  $n=1$ :  $a_1 = 3$ , by def'n, and  $3 = 3(1)$ , so  $3 \mid a_1$ .

For  $n=2$ :  $a_2 = 9$ , by def'n, and  $9 = 3(3)$ , so  $3 \mid a_2$ .

**IND STEP** Assume  $3$  divides  $a_c$  for  $c=1, 2, \dots, k$  for some  $k \geq 2$ .

By def'n,

$$a_{k+1} = a_k^2 - 7a_{k-1} + 12.$$

By the ind. hyp.,  $a_k = 3m_1$ , and  $a_{k-1} = 3m_2$  for some  $m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By substitution,

$$a_{k+1} = (3m_1)^2 - 7(3m_2) + 12 = 3(3m_1^2 - 7m_2 + 4).$$

Hence,  $3$  divides  $a_{k+1}$  //

REMEMBER TO VERY CLEARLY GIVE THE ORDER AND JUSTIFICATIONS BELOW  
 Note that parts (a) and (b) are completely independent.

4. (a) (10 pts) Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be functions.  
 Suppose  $g$  is **nondecreasing** and  $f$  is **nonincreasing**.  
 Define  $h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $h(x) = g(x) - f(x)$ .  
 Which of the following must be true about  $h$ ? (Circle your answer)

NONDECREASING    NONINCREASING    INCREASING    DECREASING  
 NONE OF THE ABOVE

Give a full proof completely justifying your answer.

pf Let  $x_1 < x_2$  for  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Since  $g$  is nondecreasing,  $g(x_1) \leq g(x_2)$ .

Since  $f$  is nonincreasing,  $f(x_1) \geq f(x_2)$ , which  
 multiplied by  $-1$  gives  $-f(x_1) \leq -f(x_2)$ .

Adding inequalities gives  $g(x_1) - f(x_1) \leq g(x_2) - f(x_2)$ .

Hence  $h(x_1) \leq h(x_2)$ . //

- (b) (10 pts) Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (2, \infty)$  and  $g: (2, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  be functions.

Define  $h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  by  $h(x) = \exists g(f(x) - 4)$ . CHANGE:  $\exists g(f(x - 4))$

Prove that if  $f$  is surjective and  $g$  is surjective, then  $h$  is surjective.

pf Let  $y \in (0, \infty)$ . Then  $\forall \frac{y}{3} \in (0, \infty)$ . That is  
 $y > 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{y}{3} > 0$

Since  $g$  is onto,  $\exists u \in (2, \infty)$  such that  
 $g(u) = \frac{y}{3}$  (so  $3g(u) = y$ ).

Since  $f$  is onto,  $\exists v \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  
 $f(v) = u$ . (so  $3g(f(v)) = y$ ).

Finally since,  $v \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x = v + 4$  (s.t.  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  (so  $x - 4 = v$ ))

hence,  $3g(f(x - 4)) = y$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Therefore  $h(x) = y$  for some  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $h$  is onto. //