

Math 55 Midterm Exam #1
Summer 2014

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Problem	Score	Possible
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2		20
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4		20
5		20
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1. Mark each statement below true or false. Give a short reason for each of your responses.

(a) $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \exists y \in \mathbb{R} (x^2 - y^2 = 1)$

FALSE: If $x=0$, then there is no real y satisfying the equation $(-y^2=1)$.

(b) $\forall y \in \mathbb{R} \exists x \in \mathbb{R} (x^2 - y^2 = 1)$

TRUE: If $y \in \mathbb{R}$, then $x = \sqrt{1+y^2}$ satisfies the equation.

(c) $p \leftrightarrow q$ is logically equivalent to $\neg p \leftrightarrow \neg q$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{TRUE: } p \leftrightarrow q &\equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p) \\ &\equiv (\neg q \rightarrow \neg p) \wedge (\neg p \rightarrow \neg q) \quad [\text{contrapositives}] \\ &\equiv \neg p \leftrightarrow \neg q \end{aligned}$$

(or: $p \leftrightarrow q$ and $\neg p \leftrightarrow \neg q$ are each true iff. p, q have the same truth value)

(d) $[\exists x P(x)] \wedge [\exists x Q(x)]$ is logically equivalent to $\exists x [P(x) \wedge Q(x)]$

FALSE: As a counterexample, consider the predicates $P(x)$: " x is odd" and $Q(x)$: " x is even" with domain \mathbb{Z} . Then $[\exists x P(x)] \wedge [\exists x Q(x)]$ is true, but $\exists x [P(x) \wedge Q(x)]$ is false. (The first proposition says that there is an odd integer and there is an even integer. The second says that there is an integer that is both odd and even.)

2. Let A, B be sets. Show that $(A - B) \cup (B - A) = (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$.

We'll show that $(A - B) \cup (B - A) \subseteq (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$
and that $(A - B) \cup (B - A) \supseteq (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$.

(\subseteq) Let $x \in (A - B) \cup (B - A)$.

Then either $x \in (A - B)$ or $x \in (B - A)$.

If $x \in (A - B)$, then $x \in A$ and $x \notin B$, so $x \in A \cup B$ but $x \notin A \cap B$.

If $x \in (B - A)$, then $x \in B$ and $x \notin A$, so $x \in A \cup B$ but $x \notin A \cap B$.

Either way, $x \in (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$.

(\supseteq) Let $x \in (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$.

Then $x \in A \cup B$, so $x \in A$ or $x \in B$.

But $x \notin A \cap B$, so these cases are exclusive.

If $x \in A$, then $x \notin B$, so $x \in A - B$.

If $x \in B$, then $x \notin A$, so $x \in B - A$.

Either way, $x \in (A - B) \cup (B - A)$.

We conclude that $(A - B) \cup (B - A) = (A \cup B) - (A \cap B)$. \square

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20 pts. for the above argument OR
correct use of Venn diagrams/membership
tables OR de Morgan/distributive laws

10 pts. for just \subseteq or just \supseteq

-2 for a minor error or unclear step

-4 for one de Morgan error

0 to 10 for a solution with major errors

3. Let x, y, z are integers, no two of which are equal.

Show that if $x + y + z = 13$, then $\max(x, y, z) \geq 6$.

We argue by Contraposition.

Suppose $\max(x, y, z) < 6$. We may assume without loss of generality that $x > y > z$. Since x, y, z are distinct integers, we have $x \leq 5$, $y \leq 4$, $z \leq 3$, and so $x + y + z \leq 5 + 4 + 3 = 12$. In particular, $x + y + z \neq 13$.

Since $\max(x, y, z) < 6$ implies $x + y + z \neq 13$,
 $x + y + z = 13$ implies $\max(x, y, z) \geq 6$. \square

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20 pts. for the above OR correct proof by cases

-2 for assuming x, y, z positive without a rigorous justification

-3 for an unclear step (minor)

-2 for one omission in a proof by exhaustion

10+ for exhaustion w/ several omissions

0 to 10 for a solution with major errors

No penalty for " $x \neq y \neq z$ ", but this is undesirable notation as it leaves doubt about whether $x \neq z$ is intended!

4. (a) Find an inverse of 7 modulo 100.

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10 pts. for (a)
5 for largely correct method
w/ an error

$$100 = 14(7) + 2$$

$$7 = 3(2) + 1$$

$$1 = 7 - 3(2)$$

$$= 7 - 3(100 - 14(7))$$

$$= 43(7) - 3(100)$$

$$\therefore 43(7) \equiv 1 \pmod{100}$$

i.e. 43 is an inverse of 7

- (b) Consider the function $f : \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 98, 99\} \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 98, 99\}$ defined by $f(n) = 7n \pmod{100}$. For example, $f(20) = 40$.

Determine, with justification, whether f is injective and whether f is surjective.

YES to both.

Proof that f is injective:

$$f(a) = f(b) \Rightarrow 7a \equiv 7b \pmod{100}$$

$$\Rightarrow 43(7a) \equiv 43(7b) \pmod{100}$$

$$\Rightarrow a \equiv b \pmod{100}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = b, \text{ since } 0 \leq a, b \leq 99.$$

An injection between two finite sets of equal cardinality must be surjective.

(We can also show that f is bijective by writing down an explicit inverse:

$$f^{-1}(n) = 43n \pmod{100}.)$$

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5 for inj., 5 for surj.
3 w/ poor reason
or no reason

5. Determine the smallest two solutions of the system

$$\begin{cases} n \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \\ n \equiv 3 \pmod{7} \\ n \equiv 8 \pmod{9} \end{cases},$$

where $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

Back-substitution:

$$\begin{aligned} n &\equiv 1 \pmod{5} \Rightarrow n = 5k + 1 \\ 5k + 1 &\equiv 3 \pmod{7} \Rightarrow 5k \equiv 2 \pmod{7} \\ &\Rightarrow 3(5k) \equiv 3(2) \pmod{7} \\ &\Rightarrow k \equiv 6 \pmod{7} \\ &\Rightarrow k = 7l + 6 \\ &\Rightarrow n = 5(7l + 6) + 1 = 35l + 31 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 35l + 31 &\equiv 8 \pmod{9} \Rightarrow 35l \equiv -23 \pmod{9} \\ &\Rightarrow 8l \equiv 4 \pmod{9} \\ &\Rightarrow 8(8l) \equiv 8(4) \pmod{9} \\ &\Rightarrow l \equiv 32 \equiv 5 \pmod{9} \\ &\Rightarrow l = 9m + 5 \\ &\Rightarrow n = 35(9m + 5) + 31 = 315m + 206 \end{aligned}$$

The smallest two positive solutions are $n = 206, 521$.

Tabular method: $M = 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 9 = 315$

a_i	m_i	M_i	y_i
1	5	$7 \cdot 9 = 63$	2
3	7	$5 \cdot 9 = 45$	5
8	9	$5 \cdot 7 = 35$	8

Efficient computation:

$M_1 y_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$
 $\Leftrightarrow 3y_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$;
 use trial and error
 with $y_1 \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$.

$$n = \sum_{i=1}^3 a_i M_i y_i = 3041$$

is one solution.

All solutions: $n \equiv 3041 \pmod{315}$

Smallest positive solutions:

$$n = 206, 521$$

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20 pts. for $n = 206, 521$
by any method

15 for $n = n_0, n_0 + 315$
w/ a minor error in
working out n_0

≤ 10 for unfinished work/
only one n /
two n not differing by 315

≤ 5 with a major error, such
as using the wrong
definition of an inverse

* REMARK: People had much higher success rates with back-substitution. *