

**FINAL EXAMINATION**  
**MATH271 (L 60)**

SUMMER 2003

Time: 3 hours

- [10] 1. In this question, the three parts are related.
- (a) Find  $\gcd(844, 375)$  and find some integers  $x$  and  $y$  so that  $\gcd(844, 375) = 844x + 375y$ .
  - (b) Is 375 invertible in  $\mathbb{Z}_{844}$ ? Explain. If 375 is invertible in  $\mathbb{Z}_{844}$ , find the inverse (reciprocal) of 375 in  $\mathbb{Z}_{844}$ .
  - (c) In  $\mathbb{Z}_{844}$ , solve the equation  $375 \otimes x = 2$ .
- [10] 2. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the statement: “If  $A \subseteq B \cup C$  and  $B \subseteq C \cup A$  then  $A \Delta B = C$ .”
- (a) Is  $\mathcal{P}$  true for all sets  $A, B$  and  $C$ ? Prove your answer.
  - (b) Write the converse of  $\mathcal{P}$ . Is the converse of  $\mathcal{P}$  true for all sets  $A, B$  and  $C$ ? Prove your answer.
  - (c) Write the contrapositive of  $\mathcal{P}$ . Is the contrapositive of  $\mathcal{P}$  true for all sets  $A, B$  and  $C$ ? Prove your answer.
- [10] 3. Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be a relation on  $\mathbb{Z}$  ( where  $\mathbb{Z}$  is the set of all integers) defined by:  
for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $a\mathcal{R}b$  if and only if  $5 \mid (2a + 3b)$
- (a) Show that  $\mathcal{R}$  is an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{Z}$ .
  - (b) Find five elements in the equivalence class of 3.
  - (c) How many equivalence classes are there?
- [10] 4. Let  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  and  $g : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  (where  $\mathbb{Z}$  is the set of all integers) be functions defined by  $f(x) = 2x + 1$  and  $g(x) = \lfloor \frac{x}{2} \rfloor$
- (a) Is  $g \circ f$  onto? Prove your answer.
  - (b) Is  $g \circ f$  one-to-one? Prove your answer.
  - (c) Is  $f \circ g$  onto? Prove your answer.
  - (d) Is  $f \circ g$  one-to-one? Prove your answer.
- [10] 5. Let  $a, b$  and  $c$  be positive integers.
- (a) Prove that if  $c \mid a$  and  $c \mid b$  then  $c \mid (a + 2b)$  and  $c \mid (2a + 3b)$ .
  - (b) Prove that if  $c \mid (a + 2b)$  and  $c \mid (2a + 3b)$  then  $c \mid a$  and  $c \mid b$ .
  - (c) Use (a) and (b) to show that  $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(a + 2b, 2a + 3b)$ .
- [10] 6. Let  $n > 1$  be a natural number and let  $a$  and  $x$  be integers. Use the definition of congruence modulo  $n$  to prove or disprove the following:
- (a) If  $a \equiv x \pmod{n}$  then  $(a + 1) \equiv (x + 1) \pmod{n}$ .
  - (b) If  $a \equiv x \pmod{n}$  then  $a^2 \equiv x^2 \pmod{n}$ .
  - (c) If  $a \equiv x \pmod{n}$  then  $a^2 \equiv x^2 \pmod{n^2}$ .
- [10] 7. A sequence  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots$  is defined by:  $a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1$  and  $a_n = 3a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2}$  for all integers  $n \geq 2$ .
- (a) Calculate  $a_2, a_3, a_4$  and  $a_5$ .
  - (b) Prove by induction that  $a_n = 2^n - 1$  for all integers  $n \geq 0$ .
- [10] 8. Six-digit numbers are to be formed using only the digits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.

- (a) How many such numbers can be formed if repetitions of the digits are allowed?
- (b) How many numbers in (a) contain at least one 3 and at least one 5?
- (c) How many numbers in (a) contain exactly one 3, two 5's and three 6's?
- [10] 9. Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  and let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the set of all functions from  $X$  to  $X$ . Choose an element  $f$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  and assume that all elements of  $\mathcal{F}$  are equally likely. Let  $A$  be the event that  $f$  is one-to-one and let  $B$  be the event that  $f(1) = 2$ .
- (a) Find  $P(A)$ .
- (b) Find  $P(B)$ .
- (c) Find  $P(A \cap B)$ .
- (d) Are the events  $A$  and  $B$  independent? Explain.
- [10] 10. Let  $K_n$  be the complete graph with  $n$  vertices.
- (a) How many edges does  $K_n$  have? Explain.
- (b) How many induced subgraphs does  $K_n$  have? Explain.
- (c) How many spanning subgraphs does  $K_n$  have? Explain.

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- [10] 11. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the statement: “If  $A \triangle B \subseteq C$  then  $A - B \subseteq C - B$ .”
- (a) Is  $\mathcal{P}$  true for all sets  $A, B$  and  $C$ ? Prove your answer.
  - (b) Write the converse of  $\mathcal{P}$ . Is the converse of  $\mathcal{P}$  true for all sets  $A, B$  and  $C$ ? Prove your answer.
- [10] 12. Let  $X \subseteq \mathbf{N}$  where  $\mathbf{N}$  is the set of all natural numbers.
- (a) Use the definition of  $|$  to prove that  $(X, |)$  is a poset.
  - (b) Draw the Hasse diagram of the poset  $P = (\{2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}, |)$ .
  - (c) Find two different linear extensions of  $P$  in part (b).
- [10] 13. Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be a binary relation on  $\mathbf{Z}$  ( $\mathbf{Z}$  is the set of all integers) defined by:  
for all  $a, b \in \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $a\mathcal{R}b$  if and only if  $4 \mid 3a + b$ .
- (a) Show that  $\mathcal{R}$  an equivalence relation on  $\mathcal{P}(S)$ .
  - (b) Find three positive and three negative elements of the equivalence class  $[2]$ .
- [10] 14. Prove the following:
- (a) If  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$  are onto functions then  $g \circ f$  is onto.
  - (b) There are functions  $f : \mathbf{N} \rightarrow \mathbf{N}$  and  $g : \mathbf{N} \rightarrow \mathbf{N}$  so that  $f$  is one-to-one and  $g \circ f = id_{\mathbf{N}}$  but  $g \neq f^{-1}$ . (Note that  $\mathbf{N}$  is the set of all natural numbers and  $id_{\mathbf{N}}$  is the identity function from  $\mathbf{N}$  to  $\mathbf{N}$ )
- [10] 15. In this question, the three parts are related.
- (a) Find  $\gcd(1345, 237)$  and find two integers  $m$  and  $n$  so that  $\gcd(1345, 237) = 1345m + 237n$ .
  - (b) In  $\mathbf{Z}_{1345}$ , is 237 invertible? If it is, find the reciprocal of 237.
  - (c) Find all elements  $x \in \mathbf{Z}_{1345}$  so that  $237 \otimes x = 2$ .
- [10] 16. Prove the following statements:
- (a) For all integers  $a, b$  and  $c$ , if  $a$  and  $b$  are relatively prime and  $a \mid bc$  then  $a \mid c$ .
  - (b) For all integers  $a, b$  and  $c$ , if  $a$  and  $b$  are relatively prime and  $a \mid c$  and  $b \mid c$  then  $ab \mid c$ .
- [10] 17. The sequence  $b_0, b_1, b_2, \dots$  is defined as follows:  $b_0 = 1, b_1 = 3, b_2 = 5$ , and for any integer  $n \geq 3$ ,  
 $b_n = 3b_{n-2} + 2b_{n-3}$ .
- (a) Find  $b_3, b_4, b_5$  and  $b_6$ .
  - (b) Prove that  $b_n < 2^{n+1}$  for all integers  $n \geq 1$ .
  - (c) Prove that  $b_n = 2b_{n-1} + (-1)^{n-1}$  for all integers  $n \geq 1$ .
- [10] 18. A three digit positive integer is selected at random and assume that all three digit positive integers are equally likely. Let  $E$  be the event that the chosen number is divisible by 4 and let  $F$  be the event that the chosen number is divisible by 6.
- (a) Find  $P(E)$ . Simplify your answer.
  - (b) Find  $P(F)$ . Simplify your answer.
  - (c) Find  $P(E \mid F)$ . Simplify your answer.
  - (d) Are  $E$  and  $F$  independent? Explain.

- [10] 19. Consider the graph  $H$  below:
- (a) Is  $H$  bipartite? Explain.
  - (b) Is  $H$  Eulerian? Explain
  - (c) Find a maximal independence set of  $H$ .
  - (d) Find a maximal clique of  $H$ .
  - (e) Find a spanning tree of  $H$ .
- [10] 20. Let  $G$  be a graph with at least six vertices. Note that  $\varpi(G)$  is the clique number of  $G$ .
- (a) Prove that  $\varpi(G) \geq 3$  or  $\varpi(\overline{G}) \geq 3$ .
  - (b) Is it true that for all graphs  $G$  with five vertices,  $\varpi(G) \geq 3$  or  $\varpi(\overline{G}) \geq 3$ ? Prove your answer.

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