

Math 215 - Homework

Show all your work, written clearly in complete sentences.

1. Write the following sentence in symbols. You will need five propositions, which you can denote by L, M, S, G and P. State clearly what these propositions are.

If either labor or management is stubborn, then the strike will be settled if and only if the government obtains a court order, but police are not sent into the factory.

2. Let P and Q be the propositions "I wear a sweater" and "I brave the cold". Write (English) sentences which will mean the following. You may modify P and Q (e.g., you need not use "I"), but your sentences should make sense.

- (a) $P \Rightarrow Q$
- (b) $\text{not } Q \Rightarrow \text{not } P$
- (c) P is sufficient for Q
- (d) Q is necessary for P

3. p.53, no. 5

4. Write a truth table for $((P \text{ or } Q) \text{ and } (Q \Rightarrow \text{not } R))$. Your table should have 8 rows.

5. Let $a \in \mathbf{R}$, let P be the statement " $a > 5$ " and let Q be the statement " $a^2 + 2a - 35 > 0$ ". In each of the following statements give a proof or give a counterexample. Use the order axioms for \mathbf{R} (p.24)

- (a) P implies Q
- (b) Q only if P
- (c) P is necessary for Q
- (d) P is sufficient for Q
- (d) P if and only if Q

6. Let P and Q be the statements "A function is differentiable" and "A function is continuous", respectively. Write in words:

- (a) P implies Q
- (b) The converse of "P implies Q"
- (c) The contrapositive of "P implies Q"
- (d) The converse of the contrapositive of "P implies Q"

7. State which of the following statements is a consequence of the statement: "If f and g are continuous at $x=a$ and $g(a)$ is not zero, then f/g is continuous at $x=a$."

- (a) If f and g are continuous at $x=a$ and $f(a) \neq 0$ then g/f is continuous at $x=a$.
- (b) If f and g are continuous at $x=a$ and $g(a)=0$, then f/g is not continuous at $x=a$.
- (c) If f and g are continuous at $x=a$ but f/g is not continuous at $x=a$, then $g(a)=0$.
- (d) If f and f/g are continuous at $x=a$ and $g(a) \neq 0$, then g is continuous at $x=a$.

8. Consider the statement: If $0 < n < 4$ then $n^3 < -2n^2 + 24n$. (Here $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.)

- (a) Construct a "backwards proof" of the statement, as on p.28.
- (b) Now write a direct proof of the statement.

9. p.54, 6, (iii) : If a and b are real numbers prove that $(-a)(-b) = ab$.

[You can assume 6(i) and 6(ii) which were proved in class.]

10. p.54, 7: Prove by contradiction: If n^2 is even then n is even.

11. Show by induction that

$$1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + n^3 = (n(n+1)/2)^2$$

.

12. Show by induction on n : If n is a positive integer,

$$\frac{d^n}{dx^n}(\ln x) = (-1)^{n+1}(n-1)! x^{-n}$$

You can assume that $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln x) = 1/x$ and the formula for $\frac{d}{dx}(x^n)$ for a positive integer n .

13. p.55, 17. Hint: Do part (i) first, and use it to do part (ii).

14. The problem of the prisoner. (Handout in class.)

15. p.115, 1 (iii)

16. Let $A = \{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid |x - a| < 1\}$, $B = \{x \in \mathbf{R} \mid a - 1 < x < a + 1\}$. Show that $A = B$.

[Recall that $|a| = a$ if $a \geq 0$ and $|a| = -a$ if $a < 0$.]

17. Describe the power set $\mathcal{P}(X)$ in the following cases:

(a) $X = \{4\}$; (b) $X = \emptyset$; (c) $X = \{\emptyset\}$; (d) $X = \{\{1, 2\}, \{3\}, 1\}$.

18. Let U be a universal set and $A, B \subseteq U$. Using the fact that $A^{cc} = A$, show that the law $(A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$ implies $(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$, the other law.

19. p.117, 12

20. p.117, 11, parts (vi) through (x)

21. p.117, 13 (ii)

22. p.117, 14

23. Let $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a function and $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$. The rigorous definition of $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = b$ is

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, P(\epsilon, \delta)$$

where

$$P(\epsilon, \delta) : \forall x \in \mathbf{R}, (0 < |x - a| < \delta) \Rightarrow (|f(x) - b| < \epsilon).$$

(a) Let $f(x) = 2x + 4$ if $x \neq 1$ and $f(1) = 0$. Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x) = 6$.

(b) Write a rigorous definition in symbols of “not $(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = b)$ ” .

Using this definition show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = b$ is false for all $b \in \mathbf{R}$, where $f(x) = 1$ for $x \geq 0$ and $f(x) = -1$ for $x < 0$. [Draw a picture of this function.]

Homework for Monday March 2: Corrections to your test.

24, 25. P.117, 16 and 18.

26. Extra problem to be given in class on Monday March 2.

27. This exercise is about the inclusion-exclusion principle.

(a) Suppose that $A, B \subset U$, where U is a universal set, $|U| = 21$, $|A| = 8$, $|B| = 7$, and $|A \cap B| = 3$. Find $|A^c \cap B^c|$.

(b) Suppose that each tile in a collection of 22 is a square or a circle and is also red or green. Suppose further that there are 12 square tiles, 8 red ones, and 11 which are both square and green. Use the principle of inclusion-exclusion to determine:

(i) the number of tiles which are square or green;

(ii) the number of tiles which are circles and red;

(iii) the number of tiles which are circles or red.

28. (a) Show that $f : Z \rightarrow Z^+$ given by

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} 2n & : n > 0 \\ -2n + 1 & : n \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

is a bijection.

[You can assume that any integer can be written as $2q$ or $2q + 1$ for a unique integer q . This problem shows that though Z^+ is a proper subset of Z , there is a bijection between Z^+ and Z !]

(b) Find the inverse f^{-1} of f , where $f^{-1} : Z^+ \rightarrow Z$.

29. p.184, 12.

30. Let $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$. The six bijections $X \rightarrow X$ can be written as $f_1 : 1 \rightarrow 1, 2 \rightarrow 2, 3 \rightarrow 3$, $f_2 : 1 \rightarrow 2, 2 \rightarrow 1, 3 \rightarrow 3$, $f_3 : 1 \rightarrow 1, 2 \rightarrow 3, 3 \rightarrow 2$, $f_4 : 1 \rightarrow 3, 2 \rightarrow 2, 3 \rightarrow 1$, $f_5 : 1 \rightarrow 2, 2 \rightarrow 3, 3 \rightarrow 1$, $f_6 : 1 \rightarrow 3, 2 \rightarrow 1, 3 \rightarrow 2$.

(a) For each f , find the least positive integer n such that $f^n = f.f\dots f$ (n times) = 1.

(b) Find the inverse of each f .

31. Use the pigeonhole principle to prove the following:

Let S be a subset of $\{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$ such that $|S| = n + 1$. Then S contains a pair of consecutive integers.

Hint: Consider the function $f : S \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ given by $f(m) = m/2$ if m is even and $f(m) = (m + 1)/2$ if m is odd.

32. For the following pair of integers a and b use the Euclidean Algorithm to find $d = \gcd(a, b)$.

$a = 11391, b = 5673$

33. p.183, 7.

34. p.186, 23

35. Committees of 6 are to be formed from a group of 10 individuals. Give the answer in integers, not as binomial coefficients.

(a) How many such committees are there?

(b) How many committees of 6 individuals can be formed from the 10 if two particular individuals are to be included on the committee?

(c) How many committees of 6 individuals can be formed from the 10 if two particular individuals are to be excluded from the committee?

(d) How many committees of 6 individuals can be formed from the 10 if one particular individual is to be excluded from the committee?

(e) Use parts (c) and (d) and the inclusion-exclusion principle to find the number of committees of 6 individuals which can be formed from the 10, given at least one of two particular individuals is to be excluded.

36. p.225, 1

37. p.185, 18

Hints for p.185, 18 will be discussed in class. This problem is not straightforward, so leave enough time!

38. p.156, 2.7: Do the case $n = 4k + 1$. The answer is in the back of the text, but you must show all the steps as was done in class for the case $n = 4k$. You must do both parts of the question.

39. Using the Binomial Theorem and the definition of the derivative of a function $f(x)$ as $f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} (f(x+h) - f(x))/h$,

prove that if $f(x) = x^n$ then $f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$.

40. See Definition 5.4.2, p.49 for the definition of the Fibonacci numbers u_n . Show that

$$u_{n+1} = \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n-1}{1} + \dots + \binom{n-m}{m}$$

where $m = [n/2]$, the greatest integer not exceeding $n/2$.

Hint: Use $u_{n+1} = u_n + u_{n-1}$ and strong induction. This will be discussed in class. This is not difficult, but needs time.