

SHOW ALL WORK NECESSARY TO JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS. $\mathbb{N}^+ = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$

1. (20 Points) Write each of the following statements P as a logically equivalent statement Q so that the word “not” does not occur anywhere in Q . Whether the statement is true or false is not the issue.

- (a) $\text{not}(\exists m \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that } \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, m > n)$
- (b) $\text{not}(\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists b \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } b \leq a)$
- (c) $\text{not}(\text{if } x^2 \leq y^2 \text{ then } x \leq y)$
- (d) $\text{not}(x < y \text{ and } xy = 8)$

2. (20 Points) For $m \in \mathbb{N}^+$ we defined $\mathbb{Z}_m = \{[a]_m \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ consisting of m distinct equivalence classes, $[a]_m = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \equiv a \pmod{m}\}$. We have also defined binary operations $+$ and \cdot on \mathbb{Z}_m which make it a ring. For $m, n \in \mathbb{N}^+$, **try to define** a function $f : \mathbb{Z}_m \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$ by $f([a]_m) = [a]_n$ for any $a \in \mathbb{Z}$.

- (a) (5 pts) Determine whether or not $f : \mathbb{Z}_5 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_7$ is **well-defined** and **justify** your answer.
- (b) (5 pts) What relationship between m and n would **guarantee** that $f : \mathbb{Z}_m \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$ is a well-defined function?
- (c) (10 pts) Assuming that m and n satisfy that relationship so f is a well-defined function, prove that f is a ring homomorphism, that is, $f([a]_m + [b]_m) = f([a]_m) + f([b]_m)$ and $f([a]_m \cdot [b]_m) = f([a]_m) \cdot f([b]_m)$.

3. (20 Points) Determine whether each assertion is true or false. Prove your answer by any method.

- (a) $\forall m \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists n \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $m^2 - n^2$ is divisible by 4.
- (b) $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $m^2 - n^2$ is divisible by 4.

4. (20 Points) Prove each of the following statements rigorously. You may use that for $n, m, p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $0 \leq m \leq n$ and $0 \leq p \leq q$ then $0 \leq mp \leq nq$. You may also use the recursive definition of $k!$: $0! = 1$ and for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $(k+1)! = (k+1) \cdot k!$, and the recursive definition of powers: For any $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, n^k is defined recursively by: $n^0 = 1$ and $n^{k+1} = n^k \cdot n$.

- (a) If $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ satisfy $0 \leq a \leq b$ then $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ we have $a^k \leq b^k$.
- (b) For any $k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ we have $k! \leq k^k$.

5. (20 Points) Prove each of the following **by induction**. Direct proofs are not acceptable.

- (a) For any $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ we have $\sum_{j=1}^n (2j-1) = n^2$.
- (b) For any $k \in \mathbb{N}$ we have $5 \mid (6^k - 1)$.

1. (20 Points) Write each of the following statements P as a logically equivalent statement Q so that the word “not” does not occur anywhere in Q . Whether the statement is true or false is not the issue.

- (a) $\text{not}(\exists m \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that } \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, m > n)$ is equivalent to $\forall m \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that } m \leq n$.
- (b) $\text{not}(\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists b \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } b \leq a)$ is equivalent to $\exists a \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that } \forall b \in \mathbb{N}, b > a$.
- (c) $\text{not}(\text{if } x^2 \leq y^2 \text{ then } x \leq y)$ is equivalent to $x^2 \leq y^2$ and $x > y$.
- (d) $\text{not}(x < y \text{ and } xy = 8)$ is equivalent to $x \geq y$ or $xy \neq 8$ (and to $x < y$ implies $xy \neq 8$).

2. (20 Points) For $m \in \mathbb{N}^+$ we defined $\mathbb{Z}_m = \{[a]_m \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ consisting of m distinct equivalence classes, $[a]_m = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x \equiv a \pmod{m}\}$. We have also defined binary operations $+$ and \cdot on \mathbb{Z}_m which make it a ring. For $m, n \in \mathbb{N}^+$, **try to define** a function $f : \mathbb{Z}_m \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$ by $f([a]_m) = [a]_n$ for any $a \in \mathbb{Z}$.

- (a) (5) Determine whether or not $f : \mathbb{Z}_5 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_7$ is **well-defined** and **justify** your answer.

Proof: This f is not a well-defined function because, for example, $[0]_5 = [5]_5$ but $f([0]_5) = [0]_7 \neq [5]_7 = f([5]_5)$.

- (b) (5) What relationship between m and n would **guarantee** that $f : \mathbb{Z}_m \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$ is a well-defined function?

Proof: In order for this f to be well-defined, we would have to know that $[a]_m = [b]_m$ implies $f([a]_m) = f([b]_m)$, that is, $[a]_n = [b]_n$. We would need to know that $m \mid (a - b)$ implies $n \mid (a - b)$. The relationship $n \mid m$ would be needed to guarantee that since transitivity of “divides” would say that $n \mid m$ and $m \mid (a - b)$ implies $n \mid (a - b)$.

- (c) (10 pts) Assuming that m and n satisfy that relationship so f is a well-defined function, prove that f is a ring homomorphism, that is, $f([a]_m + [b]_m) = f([a]_m) + f([b]_m)$ and $f([a]_m \cdot [b]_m) = f([a]_m) \cdot f([b]_m)$.

Proof: We have

$$f([a]_m + [b]_m) = f([a + b]_m) = [a + b]_n = [a]_n + [b]_n = f([a]_m) + f([b]_m), \text{ and}$$

$$f([a]_m \cdot [b]_m) = f([a \cdot b]_m) = [a \cdot b]_n = [a]_n \cdot [b]_n = f([a]_m) \cdot f([b]_m).$$

3. (20 Points) Determine whether each assertion is true or false. Prove your answer by any method.

- (a) $\forall m \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that } m^2 - n^2$ is divisible by 4.

True. Proof: For any $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, the obvious choice of $n = m \in \mathbb{Z}$ gives $m^2 - n^2 = m^2 - m^2 = 0$ which is divisible by 4.

- (b) $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that } \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}$ we have $m^2 - n^2$ is divisible by 4.

False. Proof: By contradiction, suppose such an integer n exists, then in particular for $m = 1$ we would have $4 \mid (1 - n^2)$ and for $m = 0$ we would have $4 \mid (-n^2)$, so 4 would divide the difference $(1 - n^2) - (-n^2) = 1$. But 4 does not divide 1.

4. (20 Points) Prove each of the following statements rigorously. You may use that for $n, m, p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$, if $0 \leq m \leq n$ and $0 \leq p \leq q$ then $0 \leq mp \leq nq$. You may also use the recursive definition of $k!$: $0! = 1$ and for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $(k+1)! = (k+1) \cdot k!$, and the recursive definition of powers: For any $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, n^k is defined recursively by: $n^0 = 1$ and $n^{k+1} = n^k \cdot n$.

(a) If $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ satisfy $0 \leq a \leq b$ then $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ we have $a^k \leq b^k$.

Proof: Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ satisfy $0 \leq a \leq b$, and for $k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ let $P(k)$ be the assertion that $a^k \leq b^k$. $P(1)$ is true since $a^1 = a \leq b = b^1$. Assume for some $k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ that $P(k)$ is true. Then $a^{k+1} = a^k \cdot a \leq b^k \cdot a \leq b^k \cdot b = b^{k+1}$ so $P(k+1)$ is true. Done by induction.

(b) For any $k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ we have $k! \leq k^k$.

Proof: For $k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ let $P(k)$ be the assertion $k! \leq k^k$. $P(1)$ is true since $1! = 1 = 1^1$. For some $k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ assume $P(k)$ is true. Show $P(k+1)$, that is, $(k+1)! \leq (k+1)^{(k+1)}$. By definition of factorial and by $P(k)$, we know that $(k+1)! = (k+1) \cdot (k!) \leq (k+1) \cdot (k^k)$. By problem 4(a), since $0 \leq k < k+1$, we have $0 \leq k^k \leq (k+1)^k$, so we get $(k^k) \cdot (k+1) \leq (k+1)^k \cdot (k+1) = (k+1)^{(k+1)}$ by definition. By transitivity of \leq , we have shown that $(k+1)! \leq (k+1)^{(k+1)}$, that is, $P(k+1)$ is true. Done by induction.

5. (20 Points) Prove each of the following **by induction**. Direct proofs are not acceptable.

(a) For any $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ we have $\sum_{j=1}^n (2j-1) = n^2$.

Proof: For $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ let $P(n)$ be the assertion of the formula for n . $P(1)$ is true since $\sum_{j=1}^1 (2j-1) = 2(1)-1 = 1 = 1^2$. Assume $P(n)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} (2j-1) &= \sum_{j=1}^n (2j-1) + (2(n+1)-1) && \text{by definition of summation} \\ &= n^2 + 2(n+1) - 1 && \text{by } P(n) \\ &= n^2 + 2n + 2 - 1 && \text{by distributive law in } \mathbb{Z} \\ &= n^2 + 2n + 1 && \text{by simple arithmetic} \\ &= (n+1)^2 && \text{by definition of powers and simple algebra} \end{aligned}$$

so $P(n+1)$ is true. We are done by induction.

(b) For any $k \in \mathbb{N}$ we have $5|(6^k - 1)$.

Proof: For $k \in \mathbb{N}$ let $P(k)$ be the assertion $5|(6^k - 1)$. $P(0)$ is true since $6^0 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$ and we know $5|0$ since $0 = (5)(0)$. Assume $P(k)$. Then $6^{k+1} - 1 = 6^k 6 - 1 = 6^k(5+1) - 1 = 6^k 5 + (6^k - 1)$. But $5|(6^k 5)$ and by $P(k)$ we know $5|(6^k - 1)$ so $5|(6^k 5 + (6^k - 1))$ gives us $5|(6^{k+1} - 1)$ which is $P(k+1)$. Done by induction.