

MATH 052: INTRODUCTION TO PROOFS
EXAM #2

Problem 1(a). $\mathcal{P}(A) = \{\emptyset, \{0\}, \{2\}, \{-6\}, \{0, 2\}, \{0, -6\}, \{2, -6\}, \{\emptyset, 2, -6\}\}$.

Problem 1(b). Only S_1 is a partition: S_2 has the empty set as a block, S_3 repeats 5 in two blocks, and 6 does not belong to any block in S_4 .

Problem 1(c). True!

Problem 1(d). Take $A = \{1, 2\}$ and $B = \{1\}$ and let $f(1) = f(2) = 1$.

Problem 1(e). The sum is equal to $(1^2 - 2) + (2^2 - 2) + (3^2 - 2) + (4^2 - 2) = -1 + 2 + 7 + 14 = 22$.

Problem 2. For the base case, we have $1 = 2^1 - 1$. For the inductive step, suppose that

$$1 + 2 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^{n-1} = 2^n - 1.$$

Then

$$1 + 2 + \dots + 2^{n-1} + 2^n = (2^n - 1) + 2^n = 2(2^n) - 1 = 2^{n+1} - 1.$$

So, by the principal of mathematical inductino, the statement is true for all integers $n \geq 1$.

Problem 3(a). R is reflexive, since $a + a = 2a$ is even for all $a \in \mathbb{Z}$. R is symmetric, because if $a + b = 2k$ is even then so is $b + a = a + b = 2k$. Finally, R is transitive since if $a + b = 2k$ is even and $b + c = 2m$ is even, then $a + c = (a + b) + (b + c) - 2b = 2k + 2m - 2b = 2(k + m - b)$ is even.

Problem 3(b). The equivalence classes are $[1] = \{1, 5\} = [5]$, $[2] = \{2, 3\} = [3]$ and $[4] = \{4\}$.

Problem 4. We have

$$\begin{aligned}(x, y) \in A \times (B \cap C) &\Leftrightarrow (x \in A) \text{ and } (y \in B \cap C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x \in A) \text{ and } (y \in B \text{ and } y \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x \in A \text{ and } y \in B) \text{ and } (x \in A \text{ and } y \in C) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in A \times B \text{ and } (x, y) \in A \times C \\ &\Leftrightarrow (x, y) \in (A \times B) \cap (A \times C).\end{aligned}$$

Problem 5. First, we show that f is injective. Let $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\}$ and suppose that $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}f(x_1) &= f(x_2) \\ \frac{3x_1}{x_1 - 2} &= \frac{3x_2}{x_2 - 2} \\ 3x_1(x_2 - 2) &= 3x_2(x_1 - 2) \\ 3x_1x_2 - 6x_1 &= 3x_1x_2 - 6x_2 \\ 6x_1 &= 6x_2 \\ x_1 &= x_2\end{aligned}$$

So f is injective.

Next, we show that f is surjective. Let $y \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{3\}$. We solve for x in terms of y :

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= \frac{3x}{x-2} = y \\3x &= y(x-2) = xy - 2y \\3x - xy &= -2y \\x(y-3) &= 2y \\x &= \frac{2y}{y-3}\end{aligned}$$

Since $f(2y/(y-3)) = y$, we see that f is surjective.