



MATH 105

EXAMINER: Prof. S.M. Rees, EXTENSION 44063.

TIME ALLOWED: Two and a half hours.

Full marks will be obtained by complete answers to all questions in Section A and three questions in Section B. The best 3 answers in Section B will be taken into account.

SECTION A

1. Write down each of the following statements in ordinary English (apart from equations and and inequalities), and determine whether each one is true.

- a) $x \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow x^2 + 2x + 1 \geq 0$.
b) $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $n \leq p \forall p \in \mathbb{Z}$. [6 marks]

2. Negate each of the following statements, using logical symbols where possible.

- a) $x < 0 \vee x \geq 2$.
b) $\sin x < x \forall x \in (0, 1)$. [4 marks]

3. Identify which of the following sets is equal to the empty set. Write each of the others as either a single interval — if this is possible — or a union of two intervals.

- a) $[-3, 7] \cap (-1, 8) \cap [-4, 6]$
b) $([-4, 1] \cup (3, 8]) \cap [2, 3]$.
c) $([-5, 1] \cup (3, 7)) \cap ([-3, 0] \cup (2, 6))$. [6 marks]

4. In each of the following, find the set of all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the inequalities. The set might be empty.

- a) $x^2 + x > 2$.
b) $x^2 + x + 2 < 0$. [6 marks]

5. Let x_n be defined inductively for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ by $x_0 = 1$ and $x_{n+1} = 3x_n - 4$. Prove by induction that $x_n = 2 - 3^n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

[5 marks]

6. Let $a = 572$ and $b = 385$. Using the Euclidean algorithm or otherwise, find:

- (i) the g.c.d. d of a and b ;
- (ii) integers r and s such that $a = dr$ and $b = ds$;
- (iii) integers m and n such that $d = ma + nb$;
- (iv) the l.c.m. of a and b .

[9 marks]

7. Write down what it means for a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ to be injective. Define the image of a function $f : X \rightarrow Y$, and define what it means for $f : X \rightarrow Y$ to be a bijection. Find the images of the following functions, and also determine whether the functions are injective:

- a) $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = x^{-2}$;
- b) $f : [-\pi/2, \pi/2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = \sin^2 x$.

[10 marks]

8. State the inclusion/exclusion principle for two sets A_1 and A_2 .

10 web retailers are selling Series 1 or Series 2 Dr Who DVD's. Series 1 is sold by 9 of them and Series 2 by 8.

- (i) Determine how many of the retailers are selling both Series 1 and Series 2, and how many sell just Series 1, or just Series 2.
- (ii) Now suppose that 7 of these 10 retailers also sell Series 3, and that 6 retailers sell all three series. Determine how many sell exactly two of the three series.

Hint: Only the inclusion/exclusion principle for A_1 and A_2 is needed.

[9 marks]

SECTION B

9. An equivalence relation \sim on X (where $x \sim y$ means “ x is equivalent to y ”) is *reflexive*, *symmetric* and *transitive*. Define what each of these three terms means.

- (i) Let $X = \mathbb{Z}$ and let \sim be the relation defined on X by $m \sim n \Leftrightarrow m - n$ is even. Show that \sim is an equivalence relation on X , determine the number of equivalence classes, and write down a representative of each equivalence class.
- (ii) Let X be the set of all polynomials $f(x)$ of degree at most one with integer coefficients, that is

$$X = \{a_0 + a_1x : a_0, a_1 \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

Define $f(x) \sim g(x) \Leftrightarrow f(x) - g(x) = c_0 + c_1x$ for even integers c_0 and c_1 . Show that \sim is an equivalence relation. Determine the number of equivalence classes of \sim , and write down a representative of each equivalence class.

[15 marks]

10. Let x_n be defined inductively for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ by

$$x_0 = 1, \quad x_{n+1} = 3 - \frac{7}{3 + x_n}.$$

- (i) Prove by induction that $1 \leq x_n < 2$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
- (ii) Show that

$$x_{n+2} - x_{n+1} = \frac{7(x_{n+1} - x_n)}{(3 + x_n)(3 + x_{n+1})},$$

and hence, or otherwise, show by induction that x_n is an increasing sequence.

- (iii) Prove by induction that, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$|x_{n+1} - x_n| \leq \left(\frac{7}{16}\right)^n \frac{1}{4}.$$

[15 marks]

11. Define what it means for $A \subset \mathbb{Q}$ to be a *Dedekind cut*.
Determine which (if any) of the following is a Dedekind cut.

- a) $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Q} : x \leq 6.5\}$;
- b) $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Q} : 7 < x\}$;
- c) $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Q} : x^2 - 3x + 1 < 0\}$.

Now let A be a Dedekind cut, and define

$$2A = \{2x : x \in A\}, \quad -A = \{-x : x \in A\}.$$

Show that $2A$ is a Dedekind cut and that $-A$ is not one.

[15 marks]

12. Define what it means for a set A to be *finite, of cardinality n* , and what it means for A to be *countable*.

State which of the following sets A , B , C and D are countable and which are uncountable. No proofs are required.

- a) $A = [0, 1]$.
- b) $B = [0, 1)$.
- c) $C = \mathbb{Z}$.
- d) $D = \mathbb{N}^2$.

Show that there is an injective map $g : A \rightarrow B$ and an injective map $h : B \rightarrow A$. State the Schröder-Bernstein Theorem, and explain how it applies for A and B as above.

By considering $\{(m, n) \in \mathbb{N}^2 : m+n = p\}$ or otherwise, write \mathbb{N}^2 as a countable union of finite sets.

[15 marks]