

# MATH 108 Winter 2019 - Problem Set 5

due February 22

- Using modular arithmetic, prove that for all positive integers  $n$ ,
  - $10^n - 1$  is divisible by 3.
  - $n^4 + 2n^3 - n^2 - 2n$  is divisible by 4.
  - $1^n + 2^n + 3^n + 4^n$  is a multiple of 5 or one less than a multiple of 5.
- The “Cancellation Law” for  $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$  is the statement: For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $xy \equiv xz \pmod{m}$  and  $x \not\equiv 0 \pmod{m}$  then  $y \equiv z \pmod{m}$ .
  - Prove that if  $m$  is prime then the Cancellation Law for  $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$  is true.
  - Prove that if  $m$  is composite then the Cancellation Law for  $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$  is false.
- Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . In the poset  $(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}), \subseteq)$ , prove that the greatest lower bound of  $\{A, B\}$  is  $A \cap B$ .
- Let  $A$  be the set of divisors of 36,  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 12, 18, 36\}$ . Draw the Hasse diagram for the poset  $(A, |)$ .
- For each function  $f$ , determine if it is injective. If yes, find a *left-inverse* of  $f$ , which is a function  $g$  such that  $g \circ f$  is the identity.
  - $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $f(x) = (x, x)$ .
  - $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x, y) = x + y$ .
  - $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  defined by  $f(x) = 2x$ .
  - $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = e^x$ .
  - $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \{0\}$  defined by  $f(x) = 0$ .
- For each function  $f$  in Problem 5, determine if it is surjective. If yes, find a *right-inverse* of  $f$ , which is a function  $g$  such that  $f \circ g$  is the identity.
- Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$ .
  - Prove that if  $g \circ f$  is injective then  $f$  is injective.
  - Find an example of  $f$  and  $g$  where  $g \circ f$  is injective but  $g$  is not injective.
- For each pair of sets, find a bijection from the first to the second.
  - $\mathbb{N}_1$  and  $\mathbb{N}_0$ .
  - $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\mathbb{C}$ .
  - $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{N}_0$ .
  - $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid -1 < x < 1\}$  and  $\mathbb{R}$ .