

MATH 108 Fall 2019 - Problem Set 5

due November 4

- Let \sim be the relation on \mathbb{R} defined by $x \sim y$ if and only if $x - y \in \mathbb{Z}$.
 - Prove that \sim is an equivalence relation.
 - Prove for all real numbers x, y, z, w that if $\bar{x} = \bar{z}$ and $\bar{y} = \bar{w}$ then $\overline{x + y} = \overline{z + w}$.
- 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 \preceq be the relation on \mathbb{Z}^2 defined by $(a, b) \preceq (c, d)$ if and only if $a \leq c$ and $b \leq d$.
 - Prove that \preceq is a partial order.
 - Find the greatest lower bound of $\{(1, 5), (3, 3)\}$.
 - Is \preceq a total order? Justify your answer.
- 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 $(A, |)$.