

# DISCRETE MATH<sup>1</sup> W3203 Quiz 1

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## SOLUTIONS

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Your Name (2 pts for legibly PRINTING your name)

Problem	Points	Score
your name	2	
1	13	
2	20	
3	20	
4	25	
5	20	

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Total            100

**SUGGESTION:** Do the EASIEST problems first!

**HINT:** Some of the solution methods involve highschool math as well as new methods from this class.

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<sup>1</sup> An example of the Reasonable Person Principle: A reasonable student expects to lose a lot of credit for neglecting to EXPLAIN an answer. Omit explanations at your own risk.

1 (13 pts). Decide whether these two propositions are equivalent.

SOLUTION: YES

$r$	$s$	$t$	$(s \vee r) \rightarrow (s \wedge \neg t)$	$(r \rightarrow s) \wedge [t \rightarrow \neg(r \vee s)]$
$T$	$T$	$T$	$F$	$F(\wedge F)$
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2 (20 pts). Consider the quantified predicate

$$(\forall x \in D)(\exists y \in D) \left[ (x \geq 1) \rightarrow (y^2 = x) \right]$$

where the domain  $D$  is a subset of the real numbers. Over which of the following possible domains  $D$  is this true?

EXPLAIN your answer.

2a (4).  $D =$  the real numbers.

SOL: TRUE. Every real  $x > 1$  has a real sq. root  $y$ .

2b (4).  $D =$  the rational numbers.

SOL: FALSE. Let  $x = 2$ . Then  $x > 1$ , but  $\sqrt{x}$  is irrational.

2c (4).  $D =$  the squares of the integers: 0, 1, 4, 9, 16, ... .

SOL: FALSE. Let  $x = 4$ . Then  $\sqrt{x} = 2 \notin D$ .

2d (4).  $D =$  the negative real numbers.

SOL: TRUE. The antecedent  $(x > 1)$  is always false.

2e (4).  $D = \{-1, 1\}$ .

SOL: TRUE.  $x=1$  is the only  $x \geq 1$ .  $\sqrt{1} = \pm 1$ .

3a (10 pts) To prove that  $4n^3 \in \mathcal{O}(n^3)$ , it is sufficient to verify the existential proposition  $(\exists M)(\forall n > M) \left[ 4n^3 < 9n^3 \right]$ . Verify that existential proposition.

SOLUTION: (a sample proof)

*The ineq.  $4n^3 < 9n^3 = 9n^3 - 27n^2 + 18n$*

*is equiv to  $5n^3 - 27n^2 + 18n > 0$ .*

*Now find  $M$  such that*

$$5M^3 - 27M^2 + 18M > 0$$

*and is increasing.*

*e.g., if  $5n^3 - 30n^2 + 25n > 7n$ , which is true if*

*$n^2 - 6n + 5 > \frac{7}{5}$ , and thus for all  $n > 6$ . Choose  $M = 6$ .*

*Or test with  $M = 5$  and prove increasing.*

3b (10). Now prove that  $4n^3 \in \mathcal{O}(n^3)$ .

SOLUTION: (a sample proof)

*Suff to prove  $4n^3 - 12n^2 + 8n < 4n^3$*

*simplifies to  $12n^2 - 8n > 0$*

*or to  $3n - 2 > 0$ . Use  $M = 2$ .*

4a (6pts). A number is called *perfect* if it is the sum of its proper divisors. Decide whether 496 is a perfect number.

SOLUTION:  $496 = 31 \cdot 2^4$

proper divisors are 1, 2, 4, 8, 16 (subtotal = 31)

and  $31 \cdot 1$ ,  $31 \cdot 2$ ,  $31 \cdot 4$ ,  $31 \cdot 8$  (subtotal =  $31 \cdot 15$ ).

Thus, 496 is perfect, because it equals the sum of its proper divisors.

4b (5pts). Convert the numeral  $1728_{10}$  to base 7.

SOLUTION:

$$1728 \div 7 = 246 \quad R6$$

$$246 \div 7 = 35 \quad R1$$

$$35 \div 7 = 5 \quad R0$$

$$5 \div 7 = 0 \quad R5$$

Thus,  $1728_{10} = 5016_7$

4c (7pts). Calculate  $15^{49} \bmod 11$ .

**SOLUTION:**

$$15^{49} \equiv 4^{49} \equiv 4^9 \pmod{11}$$

$$\equiv 2^{18} \equiv 2^8 \equiv 256 \pmod{11}$$

$$\equiv 3$$

4d (5pts). Show that 111112 is divisible by five.

**SOLUTION:** (sample proof)

$$1 + 12 + 12^2 + 12^3 \equiv$$

$$1 + 2 + 2^2 + 2^3 \pmod{5} \equiv$$

$$15 \pmod{5} \equiv 0$$

4e (2pts). Show that 111111112 is divisible by five.

**SOLUTION:**

111112 divides 111111112

5 divides 111112 by (4d).

5a (6). Calculate  $\gcd(429, 969)$  by prime power factorization.

**SOLUTION:**

$$429 = 3 \cdot 11 \cdot 13$$

$$969 = 3 \cdot 17 \cdot 19$$

$$\gcd = 3$$

5b (8). Calculate  $\gcd(429, 969)$  by the Euclidean algorithm.

**SOLUTION:**

$$969 \quad 429 \quad 2 \quad 111$$

$$429 \quad 111 \quad 3 \quad 96$$

$$111 \quad 96 \quad 1 \quad 15$$

$$96 \quad 15 \quad 6 \quad 6$$

$$15 \quad 6 \quad 2 \quad 3$$

$$6 \quad 3 \quad 2 \quad 0$$

$$\gcd = 3$$

5c (1). Find integers  $M$  and  $N$  such that  $0 < 43M + 23N < 23$ .

**SOLUTION:**

$$43 \cdot (-1) + 23 \cdot 2 = 3$$

5d (5). Find integers  $M$  and  $N$  such that  $43M + 23N = 1$ .

**SOLUTION:**

$$1 = 3 \cdot 8 + 23 \cdot (-1)$$

$$= [43 \cdot (-1) + 23 \cdot 2] \cdot 8 + 23 \cdot (-1)$$

$$= 43 \cdot (-8) + 23 \cdot 15 = 1 \quad M=-8, N=15$$