

# 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 on this line)

Problem	Points	Score
your name	2	
1	10	
2	15	
3	18	
4	15	
5	20	
6	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). Use a truth table to decide whether this argument is valid.

$$\begin{array}{l} q \rightarrow p \\ \neg q \rightarrow r \\ \hline \neg p \\ \hline \therefore r \end{array}$$

SOLUTION:

p	q	r	$\neg p$	$q \rightarrow p$	$\neg q$	$\neg q \rightarrow r$		r
T	T	T	F					
T	T	F	F					
T	F	T	F					
T	F	F	F					
F	T	T	T	F				
F	T	F	T	F				
F	F	T	T	T	T	T	*	T
F	F	F	T	T	T	F		

2a (15 pts). Decide which of the following functions are one-to-one.

2a (5).  $f(x) = 3x \pmod 7$  from the set  $\{0,1,\dots,6\}$  to itself.

SOLUTION: yes

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$f(x)$	0	3	6	2	5	1	4

2b (5).  $f(x) = 4x \pmod 6$  from the set  $\{0,1,\dots,5\}$  to itself.

SOLUTION: no

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5
$f(x)$	0	4	2	0	4	2

2c (5).  $f(x) = \lfloor \pi x \rfloor \pmod 7$  from the set  $\{0,1,\dots,6\}$  to itself.

SOLUTION: yes

$x$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$f(x)$	0	3	6	2	5	1	4

3 (18 pts). Prove that  $\left| \left( \frac{-1}{2} \right)^n \right|$  asymptotically dominates  $2^n$ .

3a (6). First express  $\left| \left( \frac{-1}{2} \right)^n \right|$  as a product of  $n$  factors.

$$\text{SOL: } \left| \left( \frac{-1}{2} \right)^n \right| = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{2n-1}{2} = \prod_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{2j-1}{2} \right)$$

3b (6). Next find a value  $K$  for which  $\left| \left( \frac{-1}{2} \right)^K \right| > 2^K$ .

SOLUTION:  $K = 6$  is the smallest possible.

$$\left| \left( \frac{-1}{2} \right)^6 \right| = \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 9 \cdot 11}{2^6} > \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 2^2 \cdot 7 \cdot 2^3 \cdot 11}{2^6} = 77 > 2^6$$

3c (6). Prove that  $\left| \left( \frac{-1}{2} \right)^{K+r} \right| > 2^{K+r}$  for all  $r > 0$ .

$$\text{Proof: } \left| \left( \frac{-1}{2} \right)^{K+r} \right| = \left| \left( \frac{-1}{2} \right)^K \right| \cdot \prod_{j=K+1}^{K+r} \overbrace{\left( \frac{2j-1}{2} \right)}^{>2 \text{ for } j>6} > 2^K \cdot 2^r = 2^{K+r}$$

4a (10pts). Convert  $1246_7$  to a base-6 numeral.  
ZERO CREDIT unless your work is shown.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{SOL: } 1246_7 &= 6 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 7 + 2 \cdot 49 + 1 \cdot 343 \\ &= 6 + 28 + 98 + 343 = 475_{10}\end{aligned}$$

$$6 \overline{)475} \text{R}1 \quad 6 \overline{)79} \text{R}1 \quad 6 \overline{)13} \text{R}1 \quad 6 \overline{)2} \text{R}2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 2111_6$$

$$\text{Check: } 1 + 6 + 36 + 432 = 475_{10}$$

4b (5pts). Show that  $667_{77}$  is divisible by 19.

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Hint: First expand as a polynomial in 77, and then substitute  $77 = 4 \cdot 19 + 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{SOL: } 667_{77} &= 6 \cdot 77^2 + 6 \cdot 77 + 7 \\ &= 6 \cdot (4 \cdot 19 + 1)^2 + 6 \cdot (4 \cdot 19 + 1) + 7 \\ &= 6 \cdot (4^2 19^2 + 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 19 + 1) + 6 \cdot (4 \cdot 19 + 1) + 7 \\ &= 6 + 6 + 7 + 19M = 19 + 19M \text{ divisible by } 19\end{aligned}$$

5a (6). Calculate  $\gcd(3122, 833)$  by prime power factorization.

$$\text{SOL: } 3122 = 2 \cdot 1561 = 2 \cdot 7 \cdot 223$$

$$833 = 7 \cdot 119 = 7^2 \cdot 17$$

$$\gcd(3122, 833) = 7$$

5b (8). Calculate  $\gcd(3122, 833)$  by the Euclidean algorithm.

$$3122 = 833 \cdot 3 + 623$$

$$833 = 623 \cdot 1 + 210$$

$$\text{SOL: } 623 = 210 \cdot 2 + 203 \quad \gcd(3122, 833) = 7$$

$$210 = 203 \cdot 1 + 7$$

$$203 = 7 \cdot 29 + 0$$

5c (6). Find integers  $M$  and  $N$  such that

$$3122M + 833N = \gcd(3122, 833).$$

$$\text{SOL: Find } M, N \text{ s.t. } \frac{3122}{7}M + \frac{833}{7}N = \frac{\gcd(3122, 833)}{7} = 1$$

$$\text{i.e., } 446M + 119N = 1$$

$$4 \cdot 119 = 476 \quad 476 - 446 = 30$$

$$1 = 4 \cdot 30 - 119 = 4(4 \cdot 119 - 446) - 119 = \underline{\underline{15}} \cdot 119 - \underline{\underline{4}} \cdot 446$$

6a (10 pts). Calculate  $147^{810} \bmod 13$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SOL: } 147^{810} \bmod 13 &\equiv 147^6 \bmod 13 \quad (\text{since } 810 \equiv 6 \pmod{12}) \\ &\equiv 4^6 \bmod 13 \quad (\text{since } 147 \equiv 4 \pmod{13}) \\ &\equiv 3^3 \bmod 13 \equiv 27 \bmod 13 \equiv 1 \bmod 13 \end{aligned}$$

6b (5 pts). Find the multiplicative inverse of 13 mod 17.

$$\text{SOL: } \begin{array}{c|ccccc} x & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & \dots \\ \hline 13x \bmod 17 & 13 & 9 & 5 & 1 & \dots \end{array}$$

$$4 \cdot 13 = 52 \equiv 3 \cdot 17 + 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{17}$$

6c (5 pts). Find the multiplicative inverse of 41 mod 51.

Hint: Find  $M$  such that  $41M + 51N = 1$ .

$$\text{SOLUTION: } 5 \cdot 41 - 4 \cdot 51 = 1$$

Thus, 5 is the inverse of 41 mod 51.