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**INTRODUCTION TO PROOFS**

MATH 10010

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*This paper contains two sections, Section A and Section B. Please use a separate answer booklet for each section.*

*Section A contains **five** short questions. **ALL** answers will be used for assessment. This section is worth 40% of the marks for the paper.*

*Section B contains **two** longer questions. **ALL** answers will be used for assessment. This section is worth 60% of the marks for the paper.*

*Calculators are **not** permitted in this examination.*

*On this examination, the marking scheme is indicative and is intended only as a guide to the relative weighting of the questions.*

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## Section A: Short Questions

A1. (2+2+4 marks)

(i) Negate the following statement:

$$p \in \mathbb{P} \implies (d \in \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } d \mid p \implies d = 1 \vee d = p)$$

(ii) State the contrapositive of the following statement:

$$\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, \gcd(a, b) = c \implies \exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that } a = cx \wedge b = cy$$

(iii) Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be statements. Using a truth table, show that  $\neg(P \wedge Q)$  is equivalent to  $\neg P \vee \neg Q$ .

A2. (2+2+2+2 marks)

Define  $f : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  by  $f((m, n)) = (m + n, n)$ , and define  $g : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  by  $g((m, n)) = (m - n, n)$ .(i) Let  $(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ . Determine  $(g \circ f)((m, n))$ .(ii) Let  $(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ . Determine  $(f \circ g)((m, n))$ .

(iii) What can we conclude from (i) and (ii)? Justify your answer.

(iv) Let  $V = \{(2n, 0) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Find  $g^{-1}[V]$ .

A3. (4+2+2 marks)

(i) Find  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $x \equiv 2 \pmod{10}$  and  $x \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$ .

(ii) Does 0 divide 0? Justify your answer.

(iii) Let  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  be distinct primes. Determine  $\text{lcm}(p_1, p_2)$ . Justify your answer.

A4. (2+2+2+2 marks)

(i) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets. What is the Cartesian Product of  $A$  and  $B$ ?(ii) Let  $A$  be a set. What is the power set  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  of  $A$ ?(iii) Let  $A = \{\emptyset\}$  and  $B = \{\pi\}$ .(a) Find  $\mathcal{P}(A) \times \mathcal{P}(B)$ .(b) Define an equivalence relation  $\sim$  on  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  by  $M \sim N$  if and only if  $(M, N) \in \mathcal{P}(A) \times \mathcal{P}(A)$ . Find  $[\emptyset]_{\sim}$ .

A5. (2+3+3 marks)

(i) State (without proof) which of the following sets have the same cardinality:

$$\mathbb{R}_+, \quad \mathbb{Q}, \quad \{0, 1\}, \quad \mathbb{N}, \quad (2, 3)$$

(ii) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets. Prove that if  $A$  and  $B$  are countable, then  $|A| = |B|$ .(iii) Find a partition  $P$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  such that  $P = \{A, B, C\}$ , where  $|A| = |B| = |C|$ . Justify your answer.

### Section B: Longer Questions

Please start a new booklet for Section B.

B1. (i) (4+4+2 marks)

We define the *floor function*  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  by  $f(x) = \lfloor x \rfloor = \max\{m \in \mathbb{Z} : m \leq x\}$ .

- (a) Prove or disprove that  $f$  is injective.
- (b) Prove or disprove that  $f$  is surjective.
- (c) Is  $f$  bijective? Justify your answer.

(ii) (2+8 marks)

- (a) Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and let  $V \subseteq Y$ . What is the definition of the inverse image of  $V$  under  $f$ ?
- (b) Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and let  $U, V \subseteq Y$ . Prove that  $f^{-1}[U] \cap f^{-1}[V] = f^{-1}[U \cap V]$ .

(iii) (10 marks)

Let  $R$  be an equivalence relation on a non-empty set  $X$ . Then the *inverse relation* of  $R$  is given by  $R^{-1} = \{(a, b) : (b, a) \in R\}$ . Prove that  $R^{-1}$  is an equivalence relation on  $X$ .

B2. (i) (2+8 marks)

- (a) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets. What does it mean for  $A$  and  $B$  to have the same cardinality?
- (b) Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be injective, and let  $A \subseteq X$  be a non-empty set. Show that  $|A| = |f[A]|$ .

(ii) (6+4 marks)

- (a) Define  $f : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  by  $f((m, n)) = 5^m 11^n$ . Prove that  $f$  is injective.
- (b) Let  $\mathbb{P}$  be the set of all primes. Explain why  $\bigcup_{p \in \mathbb{P}} p\mathbb{N} = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$ .

(iii) (2+8 marks)

- (a) Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be statements. State the truth table for  $P \iff Q$ .
- (b) Let  $a_1 = a_2 = 1$  and  $a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n \geq 3$ . Let  $P(n)$  be the following statement:

$$3 \mid n \text{ if and only if } a_n \in 2\mathbb{N}.$$

Prove that  $P(n)$  holds for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .