

**Problem session November 15, SF2736, fall 13. Please prepare!**

1. Is the following information sufficient to find the relation  $\mathcal{R}$ :
  1. The relation  $\mathcal{R}$  is an equivalence relation on  $M = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .
  2.  $\{(1, 2), (2, 3), (2, 4), (5, 6)\} \subseteq \mathcal{R}$ .
  3.  $(2, 6) \notin \mathcal{R}$ .
2. Let  $M = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$ . Describe all equivalence relations  $\mathcal{R}$  on  $M$  such that
 
$$\{(1, 5), (1, 4), (2, 3), (3, 6)\} \in \mathcal{R}.$$
3. What is the mistake in the following proof for that a relation  $\mathcal{R}$  which is symmetric and transitive must be reflexive: If  $a\mathcal{R}b$  then by symmetry  $b\mathcal{R}a$  and hence by transitivity  $a\mathcal{R}b$  and  $b\mathcal{R}a$  implies that  $a\mathcal{R}a$
4. Assume that  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow A$  are such that

$$(g \circ f)(x) = x \quad \text{for all } x \in A .$$

Does this imply that  $f$  and  $g$ , respectively, are either injective, surjective or bijective?

5. (a) Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$ ,  $g : B \rightarrow C$  and  $h : C \rightarrow D$ . Is it always true that for every  $x \in A$

$$((h \circ g) \circ f)(x) = (h \circ (g \circ f))(x) .$$

- (b) Find two functions  $f : A \rightarrow A$  and  $g : A \rightarrow A$  such that

$$f \circ g \neq g \circ f .$$

- (c) Show that if  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $g : B \rightarrow C$  are bijective functions then the function  $g \circ f : A \rightarrow C$  is a bijective function.
6. (a) Show that a union of any finite family of countable infinite sets is a countable infinite set.
- (b) Can the union of a countable infinite family of countable sets be countable infinite.
- (c) Is the set of bijective maps from  $Z^+$  to  $Z^+$  an infinite countable set?

7. Assume that  $A$  is a given countable infinite set and let  $B$  be the set of all real numbers  $x$  that are solutions to some polynomial equation

$$a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_nx^n = 0,$$

where  $a_i \in A$ , for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ . Is the set  $B$  countable infinite?

8. Let  $S$  be a set of five positive integers the maximum of which is at most 9. Show that the sums of the elements in all the nonempty subsets of  $S$  cannot all be distinct.
9. Show that to any sequence  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{p+1}$  of  $p + 1$  positive integers there exists at least one subsequence

$$a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_t} ,$$

such that

$$a_{i_1} + a_{i_2} + \dots + a_{i_t} \equiv 0 \pmod{p} .$$