

**Math 270 Basic Discrete Math**  
**Practice Test 4**  
Sections 5.8, 5.9, 6.1, 8.1, 8.2, 8.3

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**Directions:** Answer the problems below. You may use scientific (non-graphing) calculators, but no other electronic devices. Show all work.

1. Let  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$  be the sequence defined recursively as follows:

$$a_1 = 9, a_2 = 21, \text{ and for all } k \geq 3, a_k = 5a_{k-1} - 6a_{k-2}.$$

Find an explicit formula for  $a_n$ .

2. In this problem, let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ . Answer a.-c. below.

a. Describe a relation  $R$  on  $A$  which is reflexive but is not symmetric by (i) drawing the digraph for  $R$  and (ii) listing the elements of  $R$  in set-roster notation.

b. Draw the digraph for an equivalence relation  $S$  on  $A$  which has three distinct equivalence classes:  $\{1, 2\}$ ,  $\{3\}$ , and  $\{4, 5, 6\}$ . (You only need to draw the digraph.)

c. Let  $T$  be the equivalence relation on  $A$  given by

$$xTy \iff 3|(x^2 - y^2).$$

What are  $T$ 's distinct equivalence classes?

3. Answer parts a. and b. below.

a. Let the universe  $\mathcal{U} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$  and let

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \quad B = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}, \quad \text{and} \quad C = \{3, 6, 9\}.$$

Calculate each of the following:

i.  $A \cup B =$

ii.  $B \cap C =$

iii.  $(A \cup B) - C =$

iv.  $A \cap B \cap C =$

v.  $(A \cup B)^c =$

b. Draw a Venn diagram for three sets  $A, B, C$  which satisfy the following conditions:

$$A \subseteq B, \quad A \cap C \neq \emptyset, \quad B \cap C \neq \emptyset.$$

4. Define a set  $S$  of integers recursively as follows:

I. Base:  $3 \in S$ .

II. Recursion: if  $k \in S$ , then

II(a)  $k + 6 \in S$

III. Restriction: Nothing is in  $S$  other than objects defined in I, II above.

Use structural induction to prove that every integer  $n \in S$  is divisible by 3.

5. Answer parts a.-c. below.

a. Define the sets

$$A = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n = 4a + 1 \text{ for some } a \in \mathbb{Z}\}, \text{ and}$$
$$B = \{m \in \mathbb{Z} \mid m = 4b + 3 \text{ for some } b \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

Are  $A$  and  $B$  disjoint? Why or why not?

b. Express the power set  $\mathcal{P}(\{1, 2, 3\})$  in set-roster notation.