

**MATHEMATICS 271 L01 FALL 2007**  
**ASSIGNMENT 5**

**Due at 12:00 noon on Friday, November 30, 2007.** Your assignment must be handed in at the beginning of the lab on December 8. Assignment must be understandable to the marker ( i.e., logically correct as well as legible ), and must be done by the student in his / her own words. Answer all questions, but only one question per assignment will be marked for credit. Please make sure that: (i) the cover page has **only** your student ID number, (ii) your name and ID number are on the top right corners of **all** the remaining pages, and (iii) **STAPLE** your papers.

**1.** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a function and let  $\mathcal{S}$  be a relation on  $B$ . Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the relation on  $A$  defined by “For all  $x, y \in A$ ,  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{R}$  if and only if  $(f(x), f(y)) \in \mathcal{S}$ .” Prove or disprove each of the following statement.

- (a) If  $\mathcal{S}$  is an equivalence relation on  $B$  then  $\mathcal{R}$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ .
- (b) If  $\mathcal{R}$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$  then  $\mathcal{S}$  is an equivalence relation on  $B$ .
- (c) If  $\mathcal{S}$  is antisymmetric then  $\mathcal{R}$  is antisymmetric.
- (d) If  $f$  is one-to-one and  $\mathcal{S}$  is antisymmetric then  $\mathcal{R}$  is antisymmetric.

**2.** Let  $n \geq 1$  be an integer. Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the relation on  $A$  defined by “For all  $x, y \in A$ ,  $(x, y) \in \mathcal{R}$  if and only if  $ax \equiv ay \pmod{n}$ .”

- (a) Prove that  $\mathcal{R}$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ . Note that you may want to use some result in question 1.
- (b) Let  $n = 3$  and  $a = 2$ . Describe the equivalence classes of  $\mathcal{R}$ .
- (c) Let  $n = 4$  and  $a = 2$ . Describe the equivalence classes of  $\mathcal{R}$ .
- (d) Find some integers  $n$  and  $a$  so that  $\mathcal{R}$  has exactly 5 equivalence classes.
- (e) Prove that for all integer  $n$ , there exists an integer  $a$  so that  $\mathcal{R}$  has exactly 1 equivalence class.

**3.** Let  $n \geq 1$  be an integer. Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

- (a) Prove that if  $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$  and  $b \equiv d \pmod{n}$  then  $ab \equiv cd \pmod{n}$ .
- (b) Prove that if  $b$  is an inverse of  $a$  modulo  $n$ , and  $k = b \pmod{n}$  then  $k$  is an inverse of  $a$  modulo  $n$ .
- (c) Use Euclid’s Algorithm to find  $\gcd(2007, 271)$ , and find integers  $x$  and  $y$  so that  $\gcd(2007, 271) = 2007x + 271y$ .
- (d) Use the result in part (c) to find an inverse of 271 modulo 2007.
- (e) Find an integer  $m$  so that  $1 \leq m < 2007$  so that  $m$  is an inverse of 271 modulo 2007.