

**MATHEMATICS 271 L01 FALL 2008**  
**ASSIGNMENT 5**

**Due at 12:00 noon on Monday, December 1, 2008.** 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  $\mathcal{R}$  be the relation on  $\mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+$  defined by:

“For any  $(a, b), (c, d) \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $(a, b) \mathcal{R} (c, d)$  if and only if  $ab = cd$ .”

- (a) Prove that  $\mathcal{R}$  is an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+$ .
- (b) List all elements of  $[(10, 10)]$  (the equivalence class of  $(10, 10)$ ).
- (c) Is there an equivalence class of  $\mathcal{R}$  which has exactly 11 elements. Prove your answer.
- (d) Is there an equivalence class of  $\mathcal{R}$  which has exactly 271 elements. Prove your answer.

2. Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 10\}$ .

- (a) How many symmetric relations are there on  $A$ ?
- (b) How many antisymmetric relations are there on  $A$ ?
- (c) How many relations on  $A$  are there which are both symmetric and antisymmetric?
- (d) How many relations on  $A$  are there which are neither symmetric nor antisymmetric?

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  $\gcd(2008, 271)$ , and find integers  $x$  and  $y$  so that  $\gcd(2008, 271) = 2008x + 271y$ .
- (d) Use the result in part (c) to find an inverse of 271 modulo 2008.
- (e) Find an integer  $m$  so that  $1 \leq m < 2008$  so that  $m$  is an inverse of 271 modulo 2008.