

MATH 110 FINAL EXAM

Date: May 18, 2005, Time: 9:00-11:00

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- 1 Check that there are 5 questions on your booklet.
- 2 Show all your work. Correct answers without sufficient explanation may not get full credit.

1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL
15	25	20	20	20	100

Problem 1. (15 points) Among the many rooms in an old house, there is a ghost in each room that has an even number of doors. If the house has only one entrance, prove that a person entering from outside can always reach a room in which there is no ghost.

Problem 2. (a)(15 points) For

$$A = \{(-4, -20), (-3, -9), (-2, -4), (-1, -11), (-1, -3), (1, 2), (1, 5), (2, 10), (2, 14), (3, 6), (4, 8), (4, 12)\}$$

define the relation R on A as follows:

$$R = \{(a, b), (c, d) \mid ad = bc\}.$$

Is R an equivalence relation on A ? Explain. If yes, find the equivalence classes $[(2, 14)]$ and $[(-3, -9)]$.

(b) (10 points) If $|B| = 30$ and the equivalence relation R on B partitions B into three disjoint equivalence classes B_1 , B_2 , and B_3 , where $|B_1| = |B_2| = |B_3|$, what is $|R|$?

Problem 3. (20 points) Let S be a set of five positive integers the maximum of which is at most 9. Prove that the sum of the elements in all the nonempty subsets of S cannot be distinct.

Problem 4. (a) (10 points) Let f and g be homomorphisms from a group (G, \circ) to a group (H, \star) . Is

$$K = \{x \in G \mid f(x) = g(x)\}$$

a subgroup of G ? Explain.

(b) (10 points) Let (G, \circ) be a group that consists of 8 elements, i.e. $|G| = 8$. Show that there is an element $a \in G$ such that $a \circ a = e$, where e is the identity element in G and $a \neq e$.

- Problem 5.** (a) (10 points) Let H and K be subgroups of a group G . Show that if $|H| = 10$ and $|K| = 21$, then $H \cap K = \{e\}$, where e is the identity element of G .
- (b) (10 points) Let (G, \circ) be a cyclic group that consists of 7 elements, i.e. $|G| = 7$. How many distinct generators does G have? Explain.