

1. (15) Define the following terms:

a.  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ ,

This denotes a function from  $X$  to  $Y$ . That is a subset of  $X \times Y$  such that the following two conditions are true:

for all  $x \in X$  there is a  $y \in Y$  such that  $(x, y) \in f$

if  $(x, y_1)$  and  $(x, y_2)$  are in  $f$  then  $y_1 = y_2$ .

b.  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ ,

This means that  $m$  divides  $a - b$ .

c. the integers  $a$  and  $b$  are relatively prime.

Two integers are relatively prime if their greatest common divisor is 1.

2. (15) Let  $N$  denote the set of natural numbers. Define a relation  $R$  on  $N$  by

$$(m, n) \in R,$$

if  $m|n$  or  $n|m$ . That is, the natural numbers  $m$  and  $n$  are related if one of them divides the other.

a. Determine if the relation is reflexive.

The relation is reflexive, for if  $m \in N$ , then  $m$  divides  $m$ , so  $(m, m) \in R$ .

b. Determine if the relation is symmetric.

The relation is symmetric, for if  $(m, n) \in R$ , then either  $m$  divides  $n$  or  $n$  divides  $m$ , and this is the same as saying either  $n$  divides  $m$  or  $m$  divides  $n$ , or  $(n, m) \in R$ .

c. Determine if the relation is transitive.

The relation is not transitive as the following example shows.

$(8, 4) \in R$  and  $(4, 12) \in R$ , but  $(8, 12)$  is not in  $R$ .

3. (10) Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$ .

a. Explain how  $f$  defines a function, denoted by  $f$  again, from  $P(A)$ , the power set of  $A$  to  $P(B)$  the power set of  $B$ .

If  $S \in P(A)$ , then  $f(S) = \{f(a) : a \in S\} \subseteq B$ . That is,  $f(S) \in P(B)$ .

b. Explain how  $f$  defines a function, denoted by  $f^{-1}$ , from  $P(B)$  to  $P(A)$ .

If  $Q \in P(B)$ , then  $f^{-1}(Q) = \{a \in A : f(a) \in Q\} \subseteq A$ . So  $f^{-1}(Q) \in P(A)$ .

4. (10) We saw that it is possible to express any natural number in a base besides 10. If  $N = 53,024$  in base 10, and we write it in base 3 we have

$$N = b_n 3^n + b_{n-1} 3^{n-1} + \cdots + b_1 3 + b_0,$$

where each of the  $b_i$ 's are integers between 0 and 2. For the given  $N$  determine  $b_1$  and  $b_0$ .

If  $N = b_n 3^n + b_{n-1} 3^{n-1} + \cdots + b_1 3 + b_0$ ,  $N - (b_1 3 + b_0)$  must be divisible by 9. That is,  $N$  is congruent to  $b_1 3 + b_0 \pmod{9}$ . Dividing  $N$  by 9 we get

$$53,024 = 5,891 \times 9 + 5.$$

Hence  $b_1 3 + b_0 = 5$ . And 5 in base three is 12. So  $b_1 = 1$  and  $b_0 = 2$ .

5. (13) Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: Y \rightarrow X$  be two functions with the property that

$$(f \circ g)(y) = y,$$

for every  $y \in Y$ . Show that  $g$  must be one-to-one.

Suppose  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are such that  $g(y_1) = g(y_2)$ . This implies

$$y_1 = f(g(y_1)) = f(g(y_2)) = y_2.$$

Thus,  $g$  is a one-to-one function.

6. (12) Let  $a$  and  $n$  be relatively prime integers with  $n > 1$ . Show there is an integer  $b$  such that

$$ab \equiv 1 \pmod{n}.$$

Since  $a$  and  $n$  are relatively prime (their greatest common divisor is 1), there are integers  $x$  and  $y$  such that

$$1 = ax + ny.$$

That is,  $1 - ax$  is divisible by  $n$ , or

$$ax \equiv 1 \pmod{n},$$

and we have found our  $b$ .