

Math 2001 - Review for Midterm 2

See the handouts on the following topics on the course website. Section numbers below refer to Hammack's Book of Proof (3rd edition).

Counting.

- (1) Lists: with/without repetitions, permutations - factorials (3.4), subsets - binomials (3.5), integer solutions of $x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_n = k$ (3.8)
- (2) Binomial Theorem (3.6)
- (3) Inclusion-Exclusion (3.7)

Modular arithmetic.

- (1) Integers: divisibility, division algorithm, gcd, lcm (4.2), extended Euclidean algorithm (Sections 2,4 on handout Integers'), Bezout's identity and coefficients (Proposition 7.1)
- (2) congruence modulo n (5.2)

Proof methods.

- (1) direct proof (4), contrapositive proof (5), proof by contradiction (6), proof of if-and-only-if statements (7.1)
- (2) proof by induction (10.1)

Some additional practice problems.

- (1) (a) Compute $3 - 8 \pmod{11}$ and $16 \cdot 20 \pmod{11}$.
(b) Compute $\gcd(111, 33)$ and its Bezout coefficients.
- (2) Prove that $\sqrt[3]{2}$ is irrational.
- (3) Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Show that $a \equiv b \pmod{6}$ if and only if $a \equiv b \pmod{2}$ and $a \equiv b \pmod{3}$.
- (4) Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$. Show that $\gcd(a, a + 1) = 1$.
- (5) Give the first sentence (the assumptions) for the proofs of the following statements:
 - (a) Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $a|b$ and $b|a$, then $a = b$ or $a = -b$. (direct proof)
 - (b) Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + b^2$, then $a = 0$ or $b = 0$. (contrapositive proof)
 - (c) Let $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $4|x^2 + y^2$, then x and y are even. (proof by contradiction)