

MATH 247 — FALL 2000 — TEST 2

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Total: 100 points. Do 5 out of 6 questions. You **MUST** do #6. EXPLAIN every answer. No books, notes, calculators or computers allowed on this test.

1 (20 points).

(a) [15 points] Prove without using calculus that the following function is a bijection:

$$f : (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x} - 1$$

(b) [5 points] Using part (a), construct a bijection $g : (-1, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (so that the interval $(-1, 1)$ has the same cardinality as \mathbb{R}).

2 (20 points). Suppose that $S = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$ is a countable set. Explain why each infinite subset of S is also countable.

3 (20 points). Let $[n]$ be the set $\{1, \dots, n\}$. Show that

$$\sum_{A \subseteq [n]} \sum_{B \subseteq [n]} |A \cap B| = n(2^{n-1})^2.$$

Hint: count in two ways the set of triples (x, A, B) , where $A, B \subseteq [n]$ and $x \in A \cap B$.

4 (20 points). Consider a standard 52-card deck.

- (a) [4 points] How many different 5-card hands are there? [You need not evaluate the binomial coefficient in your answer.]
- (b) [12 points] How many 5-card hands have at least three cards with the same rank?
- (c) [4 points] What is the *probability* that a random 5-card hand has at least three cards with the same rank?

5 (20 points). Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Prove that if $\sqrt[3]{k}$ is a rational number then $k = m^3$ for some $m \in \mathbb{N}$.

Hint: use the prime factorizations of one or more numbers.

- 6** (20 points). Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Remember we call integers x and y **congruent modulo** n if $x - y$ is divisible by n , and we write $x \equiv y \pmod{n}$.
- (a) [10 points] Prove that congruence modulo n is an equivalence relation on \mathbb{Z} .
- (b) [10 points] Prove using modular arithmetic that $n^5 + 4n$ is a multiple of 5.