

Homework 5 - Math 300 C - Spring 2016 - Dr. Matthew Conroy

1. Prove that there are infinitely many positive integers that are not the sum of two cubes (hint: look at the situation modulo 7).
2. Prove that $20 \mid 3^{5427} - 7$.
3. Prove that $35 \mid 14^{7800} - 21$.
4. Suppose $f : A \rightarrow C$ and $g : B \rightarrow C$. Prove that if $A \cap B = \emptyset$, then $f \cup g : (A \cup B) \rightarrow C$.
5. Suppose R is a relation on a set A . Is it possible that R is both a function (i.e., $R : A \rightarrow A$) and an equivalence relation? Answer this question as specifically as possible by completing and proving the statement “ R is a function and an equivalence relation iff ...”.
6. Let S and T be sets and $f : S \rightarrow T$. Define a relation R on S by

$$(a, b) \in R \Leftrightarrow f(a) = f(b).$$

Prove that R is an equivalence relation.

7. Let A, B and C be sets. Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $g : B \rightarrow C$.
 - (a) Prove that if f and g are onto, then $g \circ f$ is onto.
 - (b) Prove that if $g \circ f$ is onto, then g is onto.
 - (c) If $g \circ f$ is onto, is f necessarily onto? Prove your answer.
8. Let A be the set of subsets of \mathbb{R} . Define a function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow A$ by

$$f(x) = \{z \in \mathbb{R} : |z| > x\}.$$

Is f one-to-one? Is f onto?

9. Suppose A, B and C are sets. Suppose $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $g : B \rightarrow C$.
 - (a) Prove that if f is onto and g is not one-to-one, then $g \circ f$ is not one-to-one.
 - (b) Prove that if f is not onto and g is one-to-one, then $g \circ f$ is not onto.