

## MATH 174, ANSWERS TO PRACTICE PROBLEMS FOR TEST 2

1.  $1 + 3 + 3^2 + 3^3 + \cdots + 3^{99} + 3^{100} = \sum_{k=1}^{101} 3^{k-1}$
2.  $1 - 3 + 3^2 - 3^3 + \cdots - 3^{99} + 3^{100} = \sum_{k=1}^{101} (-3)^{k-1}$
3.  $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{22} = \frac{5}{11}$
4. 2460
5.  $\frac{1}{5}(2^{12} - 1)$
6.  $(A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$
7.  $(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$   
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8. False
9. False
10. (a)  $\{a\}$   
 (b)  $\{c\}$
11.  $\{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2)\}$
12. Yes. Every integer  $n$  can be written uniquely in the form  $4q + r$  where  $q$  is an integer and  $r \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ . The integer  $n$  is in  $B$  precisely when  $r = 0$  and is in  $C$  precisely when  $r = 2$ . Since  $4q + 0 = 2(2q)$ ,  $4q + 1 = 2(2q) + 1$ ,  $4q + 2 = 2(2q + 1)$ , and  $4q + 3 = 2(2q + 1) + 1$ , we see that  $n$  is odd precisely when  $r$  is 1 or 3. In other words,  $n$  is in  $A$  precisely when  $r = 1$  or  $r = 3$ . It follows that every integer belongs to exactly one of  $A$ ,  $B$ , or  $C$  so that  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  form a partition of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .
13.  $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{a, b\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$
14. 21
15.  $A[56]$
16. 60
17. 36
18. 60
19. -9
20. 1 11 55 165 330 462 462 330 165 55 11 1
21.  $-2^5 \binom{8}{5} = -1792$
22. (a) 49  
 (b) 36  
 (c) 4  
 (d)  $\sum_{k=1}^8 k^2 = 204$

23. Let  $P(n)$  be the statement that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \geq \boxed{\sqrt{n}}.$$

We prove that  $P(n)$  is true for every positive integer  $n$  by using **induction**. We first show that  $\boxed{P(1)}$  is true. Since  $\sqrt{1} = 1$ , we see that  $1/\sqrt{1} \geq \sqrt{1}$ . Thus,  $\boxed{P(1)}$  is in fact true. Next, we suppose that  $k$  is an integer  $\geq 1$  such that  $\boxed{P(k)}$  is true. This is called our induction hypothesis. Thus, our induction hypothesis is asserting that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k-1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} \geq \boxed{\sqrt{k}}.$$

From the induction hypothesis, we obtain that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k-1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}} \geq \sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}}.$$

Observe that  $\sqrt{k(k+1)} > \sqrt{k^2} = k$  so that

$$\sqrt{k(k+1)} + 1 > k + 1.$$

Dividing by  $\sqrt{k+1}$ , we deduce that

$$\boxed{\sqrt{k}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}} > \boxed{\sqrt{k+1}}.$$

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We have shown that if  $P(k)$  is true, then  $\boxed{P(k+1)}$  is true. This completes the induction argument. Therefore,  $P(n)$  is true for every integer  $n \geq 1$ . ■