

### Quiz 4: Sets

**Question 1.** Define the universe  $U$  to be all possible remainders when we divide by 360:  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 359\}$ . Also define 3 subsets in this universe:

$$\begin{cases} K_2 &= \{x \in U \mid x \text{ divisible by } 2\}, \\ K_3 &= \{x \in U \mid x \text{ divisible by } 3\}, \\ K_5 &= \{x \in U \mid x \text{ divisible by } 5\}, \end{cases}$$

Denote by  $\Phi$  the subset of  $U$  containing all numbers that are mutually prime with 360 (no common divisors greater than 1):  $\Phi = \{1, 7, 11, 13, \dots, 359\}$ . Which set equality is valid regarding the subset  $\Phi$ :

- (A)  $\Phi = (K_2 \cup K_3 \cup K_5)$   
 (B)  $\Phi = (K_2 \cap K_3 \cap K_5)$   
 (C)  $\Phi = (\overline{K_2} \cup \overline{K_3} \cup \overline{K_5})$   
 (D)  $\Phi = (\overline{K_2} \cap \overline{K_3} \cap \overline{K_5})$   
 (E)  $\Phi = (\overline{K_2 \cap K_3} \cup \overline{K_2 \cap K_5} \cup \overline{K_3 \cap K_5})$

Pick your answer as a single letter like this: G

**Question 2.** Find the size of the set you constructed in the previous example.

Write your answer as a single non-negative integer like this: 17

**Question 3.** We have the following sets:

$A$  is the set of all finite sequences of even positive numbers (such as  $(6, 22, 10, 14, 2, 6)$ , and so on)

$B$  is the set of all infinite nondecreasing lists of even positive numbers (such as  $(40 \leq 40 \leq 42 \leq 46 \leq \dots)$ , and so on)

$C$  is the set of all infinite nonincreasing lists of even positive numbers (such as  $(64 \geq 58 \geq 58 \geq 54 \geq \dots)$ , and so on).

Clearly, all three sets are infinite. Determine their cardinalities - which list of cardinalities is equal to the list  $(|A|, |B|, |C|)$ ?

- (A)  $(|\mathbb{N}|, |\mathbb{N}|, |\mathbb{N}|)$ . (B)  $(|\mathbb{N}|, |\mathbb{R}|, |\mathbb{N}|)$ . (C)  $(|\mathbb{N}|, |\mathbb{N}|, |\mathbb{R}|)$ . (D)  $(|\mathbb{N}|, |\mathbb{R}|, |\mathbb{R}|)$ . (E)  $(|\mathbb{R}|, |\mathbb{R}|, |\mathbb{R}|)$ .

Pick your answer as a single letter like this: G

**Question 4.** Let  $f(x) = (x^2) \bmod 11$ . Find the set  $f(S)$  if  $S = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ .

Write the list of elements of  $f(S)$  as a sorted list like this: 1, 2, 3

**Question 5.** How many 2-element sets are there in the powerset  $\mathcal{P}(\{A, B, C, D, E\})$ ?

Write your answer as a non-negative integer like this: 17

**Question 6.** Given two sets  $A = \{x, y\}$  and  $B = \{x, \{x\}\}$ , check, if statements are true or false:

- (A)  $x \subseteq B$ .  
 (B)  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{P}(B)$ .  
 (C)  $\{x\} \subseteq A - B$ .  
 (D)  $|\mathcal{P}(A)| = 4$ .

Write your answer as a sorted list of letters (which are true) like this: A, B, C, D

**Question 7.** We define functions  $g : A \rightarrow A$  and  $f : A \rightarrow A$ , where  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  by listing all argument-value pairs:  $f = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 1)\}$ ,  $g = \{(1, 3), (2, 1), (3, 4), (4, 2)\}$ . Find the value pairs for the function  $(f \circ g)^{-1}$ .

Write your answer as a comma-separated list like this: (1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4)

**Question 8.** Find the value of this infinite sum:  $1 - 1/3 + 1/9 - 1/27 + 1/81 - \dots$

Write your answer as a simple fraction: P/Q

**Question 9.** It is known that the function  $f(n) = n^3 + 88n^2 + 3$  is in  $O(n^3)$  - its asymptotic growth is as fast as the growth of the function  $g(n) = n^3$ .  $\exists C \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,

$(n > n_0 \rightarrow |f(n)| \leq C \cdot |g(n)|)$  Find the smallest positive integer  $C$  that would satisfy the above definition, and for your  $C$  find the smallest possible  $n_0$ .

Write your answer  $(C, n_0)$  as a pair of two numbers like this: 17, 17

**Question 10.** "Big O notation" allows to arrange functions according to their growth rate for large  $n$ . Identify, which list of functions is such that the first element of this list is in the big-O of the next element of that

list and so on. (Intuitively, the first element in the list is the slowest growing function, the last element is the fastest growing one.)

(1)  $\log(n^{10})$ , (2)  $(\log n)^2$ , (3)  $\log \log n$ , (4)  $n \log n$ , (5)  $\log(n!)$ , (6)  $\log 2^n$ .

Write your answer as a comma-separated list like this: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

**Question 11.** Digits of all rational numbers  $P/Q$  in  $(0; 1)$  are eventually periodic: they infinitely repeat some group of digits (the period) starting from some place. For example, the fraction  $11/205 = 0.05(36585)$  has period of 5 digits and a pre-period "05" of just two digits. Find the predicate logic expression that tells that sequence of digits  $d(1), d(2), d(3), \dots$  is eventually periodic (it may have pre-period of any length, including length zero).

(A)  $\exists N \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \exists T \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,

$(n \geq N - 1 \rightarrow d(n) = d(n + T))$ .

(B)  $\exists N \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \exists T \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,

$(n \geq N - 1 \rightarrow d(n) = d(n + T))$ .

(C)  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \exists N \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \exists T \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,

$(n \geq N - 1 \rightarrow d(n) = d(n + T))$ .

(D)  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \forall N \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \exists T \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,

$(n \geq N - 1 \rightarrow d(n) = d(n + T))$ .

Pick your answer as a single letter like this: G

## Answers

### Question 1. Answer (D).

Any number that is mutual prime with  $360 = 2^3 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5$  is not divisible by any of the primes 2, 3, 5. And also vice versa. This set is expressed as intersection of the complements:

$$\Phi = (\overline{K_2} \cap \overline{K_3} \cap \overline{K_5})$$

### Question 2. Answer: 96.

$$\begin{aligned} |\Phi| &= 360 \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) = \\ &= 360 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{4}{5} = 96. \end{aligned}$$

In the above formula we start with all 360 elements; then we throw out one half (all that are divisible by 2); then from the remaining ones we throw out one third (all that are divisible by 3); finally from the remaining numbers we throw out one fifth (all that are divisible by 5). Since divisibility by 2 does not affect divisibility by 3 and 5 (they are independent), all the ratios can be multiplied.

Another solution: Since we know the sizes of each set of numbers divisible by 2, 3, 5:

$$|K_2| = 180, |K_3| = 120, |K_5| = 72.$$

We can express their union by *inclusion-exclusion principle*:

$$\begin{aligned} |K_2 \cup K_3 \cup K_5| &= |K_2| + |K_3| + |K_5| - \\ &- |K_2 \cap K_3| - |K_2 \cap K_5| - |K_3 \cap K_5| + |K_2 \cap K_3 \cap K_5| = \\ &= 180 + 120 + 72 - 60 - 36 - 24 + 12 = 264. \end{aligned}$$

We then apply De Morgan's law to find the count of all elements that are *outside* that union of  $K_2 \cup K_3 \cup K_5$ :

$$|\overline{K_2} \cap \overline{K_3} \cap \overline{K_5}| = |\overline{K_2 \cup K_3 \cup K_5}| = 360 - 264 = 96.$$

### Question 3. Answer: B.

- *A* (the set of all finite sequences of even natural numbers can be enumerated with numbers from  $\mathbb{N}$ ). You can encode every such sequence in a finite alphabet of 13 symbols, using just digits, commas and parentheses. For example, (6, 22, 10, 14, 2, 6). The shortest encoding is (1) –it consists of just three symbols: two parentheses and a digit. There can be only finite number of such lists of length 3; we sort the all lexicographically (i.e. in some alphabetical order), and assign them numbers. After that we enumerate all lists writeable with 4 symbols (sorted lexicographically) and so on. Eventually all the sequences will be sorted.
- *B* (the set of all infinite nondecreasing sequences of even numbers) has cardinality  $\mathbb{R}$ . You can repeat the diagonalization argument: Assume from the contrary that the elements from *B* can be enumerated: we get infinitely many infinite sequences  $b_1, b_2, \dots$ . Then take the first element from  $b_1$  (and pick some even number that is bigger than that); then take the second element from  $b_2$  (and pick some even number that is bigger than that; plus it is bigger than all the previously picked numbers), and so on. You can also encode any subset  $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  as such sequence (simply arrange all the elements in increasing order and multiply them by 2 to get even numbers). We get that *B* has at least as many elements as  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ .
- *C* (the set of all nonincreasing infinite sequences can be enumerated). Since the sequence is non-increasing, it can have only finitely many places where it actually decreases; since natural numbers cannot decrease infinitely. We can encode all the “constant runs” of the sequence as pairs:

$$\begin{aligned} (64, 58, 58, 54, 50, 50, 50, 50, 2, 2, \dots) &\rightarrow \\ \rightarrow ((64, 1), (58, 2), (54, 1), (50, 4), (2, \infty)). \end{aligned}$$

As we saw before, all the finite sequences that are encoded in an alphabet of 14 symbols (10 digits, 2 parentheses, commas and infinity) can be enumerated.

**Question 4.** Answer: 0, 1, 3, 4, 5, 9.

We can square each number, compute the remainder and sort the results (and eliminate duplicates).

**Question 5.** Answer: 6.

The set  $\{\{A, B\}, C, D, E\}$  has 4 elements (A, B are always glued together). There are 6 ways to select two out of four elements. (Can be computed as a binomial coefficient  $C_4^2 = \frac{4!}{2!2!}$  or simply by listing all the 6 pairs.

**Question 6.** Answer: B, D.

$x$  cannot be a subset of  $A$  (since it is not a set itself).  $\{x\}$  is not a subset of  $A - B = \{y\}$ .

**Question 7.**

Answer: (1, 3), (2, 2), (3, 4), (4, 1).

We first compute  $f \circ g$  (to get  $(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x))$  we first apply  $g$ , then  $f$ ):

$$f \circ g = \{(1, 4), (2, 2), (3, 1), (4, 3)\}.$$

The inverse happens, if we switch the order in all these pairs (4 maps back to 1 etc.)

$$(f \circ g)^{-1} = \{(1, 3), (2, 2), (3, 4), (4, 1)\}.$$

**Question 8.** Answer: 3/4.

The sum of the infinite geometrical progression is  $b_1/(1 - q)$ . In our case:

$$\frac{1}{1 - (-1/3)} = \frac{1}{4/3} = \frac{3}{4}.$$

**Question 9.** Answer: 2, 88. Clearly,  $f(n) = |n^3 + 88n^2 + 3|$  cannot be smaller than  $C \cdot |n^3|$ , if  $C = 1$ , because  $88n^2$  is always positive and makes  $f(n)$  larger than simply  $n^3$ .

If we take  $C = 2$ , then the inequality starts to hold for all  $n > 88$ . It is possible to prove that for such  $n$ :

$$\begin{aligned} n^3 + 88n^2 + 3 &= n^2(n + 88) + 3 = \\ &= n^2(n + n) + n^2(88 - n) + 3 = 2n^3 + n^2(88 - n) + 3 \leq 2n^3. \end{aligned}$$

The last inequality is true, since  $n^2(88 - n) + 3 < 0$  for any  $n > 88$ .

**Question 10.** Answer: 3, 1, 2, 6, 4, 5 (or 3, 1, 2, 6, 5, 4).

Logarithm of a logarithm is a very slowly growing function;  $\log n^{10}$  is just equal to 10 times  $\log n$ .  $(\log n)^2 = \log^2 n$  is slightly faster than a logarithm.

Finally  $\log 2^n$  is simply  $n$ ; but both  $\log(n!)$  and  $n \log n$  grow slightly faster than  $n$ ; they are "Big-O" of each other:

$$n \log n \text{ is in } O(\log n!);$$

$$\log n! \text{ is in } O(n \log n).$$

It does not matter, in which order we list them.

To verify all these claims, you need to prove various limits:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log n}{\log n} = 0,$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log n}{(\log n)^2} = 0,$$

and so on. Most of these limits are easy to find (L'Hospital's Rule and so on). With  $\log n!$  you might need to use integrals to estimate the sum of  $\log 1 + \log 2 + \dots + \log n$ .

*Note.* Unless noted otherwise, all logarithms in our course are base 2.

**Question 11.** Answer: A. Clearly the  $N$  and  $T$  should not depend on  $n$ ; so they are the first quantifiers.

(B) describes a sequence of digits where some digit repeats itself infinitely often (which is true for any sequence of digits).

(C) describes the set of all sequences; one can always pick  $N$  that is larger than  $n$ , then the condition is trivially true.

(D) describes a sequence where each digit appears infinitely often.