

MTH5117 Mathematical writing: Coursework 3

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DEADLINE: Sunday of week 5, at 23.55.

ASSESSED PROBLEMS [with allocated marks].

Problem 1: 6, 7 [20]. Problem 2: 3, 5 [20].

Problem 3: 5, 6, 7, 8 [40]. Problem 4: 1, 2 [20].

Problem 1. Write each existence statement with symbols, using the quantifier \exists in each case.

1. The integer n is odd.
2. The set X has more than one element.
3. The sets X and Y have non-empty intersection.
4. The unit circle has a rational point.¹
5. The equation $f(x) = 0$ has a positive integer solution.
6. $z \in f(X)$.
7. The integers m and n are not coprime.
8. The integer n is not divisible by 3.

¹See web-book.

Problem 2. Write each existence statement with symbols, using the quantifier \forall (and, if appropriate, \exists), in each case.

1. The equation $f(x) = 0$ has no real solution.
2. The sets A and B are disjoint.
3. The open unit interval has no greatest element.
4. The set X has a greatest element.
5. The function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is constant.
6. Eventually, all terms of the integer sequence (a_1, a_2, \dots) become negative.

Problem 3. Write each symbolic sentence in two ways:

- $i)$ without any symbol, apart from f .
- $ii)$ with symbols only, using quantifiers. (You may assume that $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.)

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| 1. $f(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}$ | 2. $\#f(\mathbb{R}) = 1$ |
| 3. $0 \in f(\mathbb{Z})$ | 4. $f(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathbb{Q}$ |
| 5. $f(\mathbb{Z}) = \{0\}$ | 6. $f^{-1}(\mathbb{Z}) = \emptyset$ |
| 7. $f(\mathbb{R}) \supset \mathbb{Z}$ | 8. $f(\mathbb{Q}) \cap \mathbb{Q} = \emptyset$. |

Problem 4. Explain, clearly and concisely. [\neq , 30]

1. What is the difference between an equation and an identity?
2. What is the difference between an ordered pair and a set with two elements?