

MAT 1362 – Fall 2020

Midterm Exam

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Your solutions should be submitted through [Brightspace](#) as a **single pdf file**. It is your responsibility to make sure that your handwriting is legible and that your scan is of high enough quality that it can be easily read. You should always justify your answer, unless otherwise specified.

This exam ends at 11:15am. You may not write anything on your pages after this time. You will then have until 11:25am to scan and submit your solutions on Brightspace.

QUESTION 1 (4 pts). Using induction, prove that

$$\sum_{n=5}^k \frac{1}{n^2 - 5n + 6} = \frac{k-4}{2k-4} \quad \text{for all } k \in \mathbb{Z}, k \geq 5.$$

QUESTION 2 (4 pts).

(a) Let P be the statement

$$(\exists n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ such that})(\forall m \in \mathbb{N}) n + 3m = 0$$

(i) Is the statement P true or false? Remember to justify your answer.

(ii) Write the negation of the statement P . Simplify your answer as much as possible; the symbol \neg should not appear in your answer.

(b) Let Q be the statement

$$(\forall n, m \in \mathbb{Z}) (n^2 < 0 \implies m \text{ is even}).$$

(i) Is the statement Q true or false? Remember to justify your answer.

(ii) Write the negation of the statement Q . Simplify your answer as much as possible; the symbol \neg should not appear in your answer.

QUESTION 3 (3 pts). Prove that

$$(A \cap B) \times C = (A \times C) \cap (B \times C)$$

for all sets A , B , and C .

QUESTION 4 (5 pts). Consider the relation on $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ given by

$$(a, b) \sim (c, d) \iff b - d = 4(a - c).$$

Prove that \sim is an equivalence relation.

QUESTION 5 (2 pts).

(a) Compute

$$[81] \odot ([72] \oplus [575])$$

in \mathbb{Z}_5 . Write your answer in the standard form: $[0]$, $[1]$, $[2]$, $[3]$, or $[4]$.

(b) What is the additive inverse of $[4]$ in \mathbb{Z}_{11} ? Write your answer in the standard form: $[0]$, $[1]$, \dots , $[9]$, or $[10]$. Remember to justify your answer.