

# Mathematics 144, Winter 2022, Review for Examination 2

The examination will consist of five problems, most if not all of which are closely related to the ones given below.

1. Give an example of an infinite set  $A$  and an infinite subset  $C$  such that  $|A| = |C| = |A - C|$ .
2. Prove by induction that  $2^n < n!$  for  $n \geq 4$ .
3. Prove by induction that

$$\prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{k^2}\right) = \frac{n+1}{2n}.$$

4. Let  $A$  be the set of all continuous real valued functions on the unit interval  $[0, 1]$ , and define  $f \mathcal{R} g$  if and only if the difference function  $g(x) - f(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ . Prove that  $\mathcal{R}$  is a partial ordering but not a linear ordering.
5. For each  $k > 0$  let  $P_k$  be the set of subsets  $A \subset \mathbb{N}$  with exactly  $k$  elements. Prove that  $|P_k| = \mathbb{N}$ .
6. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be finite sets with  $p$  and  $q$  elements respectively. Explain why the number of binary relations  $\mathcal{R}$  from  $A$  to  $B$  (in other words  $a \mathcal{R} b$  is true or false for each  $a, b$ ) is equal to  $2^{pq}$ .
7. Prove that if  $\alpha > 0$  is a cardinal number in a sufficiently large set  $\mathcal{U}$  then there is a cardinal number  $\beta$  such that  $\beta^\beta > \alpha^\alpha$ .
8. Let  $S$  be a set and let  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{P}(S)$  be a family of pairwise disjoint subsets such that each subset in the family has infinitely many elements. Prove that there is a subset  $D \subset S$  such that for each  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  the intersection  $D \cap F$  has exactly two elements.
9. Recall that the disjoint union  $A \sqcup B$  of two sets  $A$  and  $B$  is defined to be  $A \times \{1\} \cup B \times \{2\}$ . Prove that there is a 1–1 correspondence from  $(A \sqcup B) \times C$  to  $(A \times C) \sqcup (B \times C)$  where  $A, B, C$  are arbitrary sets.