

Math 232 Exam II

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Question 1: Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Prove that if $|x - 3| < a$ and $|x - 3| < \frac{b}{c}$, then

$$|x^2 - 7x + 12| < \frac{(a + 4)b}{c}$$

Question 2: Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $a \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$. Show

that $a^3 \equiv 8 \pmod{5}$.

Question 3: Prove that there exists no $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $n^2 + n + 1$ is even.

Question 4: Prove or disprove

- (1) The sum of a rational number and an irrational number is irrational.
- (2) The sum of two irrational numbers is irrational.

Question 5: State and prove the general principle of mathematical induction.

Question 6: Use induction to prove that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2n - 1) = n^2$$

Question 7: Let A be a nonempty set. Define the following terms:

- (1) a relation on A
- (2) an equivalence relation on A
- (3) an equivalence class $[a]$, for $a \in A$

Question 8: Let $H = \{2^m : m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. A relation R on \mathbb{Q}^+ is defined by $a R b$ if $\frac{a}{b} \in H$.

- (1) Show that R is an equivalence relation.
- (2) Describe in a set notation the elements of $[3]$.