

**Homework for MTH 310**  
**Fall 2017**

**Textbook:**

*Abstract algebra, an introduction*, by Thomas W. Hungerford, Third edition

**Homework for week 08/30-09/01:**

*Due Wednesday 09/06*

- 08/30:

1) Prove the following statements:

- (i) For every integer  $x$ , if  $x$  is even, then for every integer  $y$ ,  $xy$  is even.
- (ii) For every integer  $x$  and  $y$ , if  $x$  is odd and  $y$  is odd then  $x + y$  is even.
- (iii) For every odd integer  $n$ ,  $n^3$  is odd.

2) Form the negation of each statement in question 1)

3) Find out whether the statement:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, ((\exists y \in \mathbb{Z}, \text{ such that } x = 3y + 1) \implies (\exists y \in \mathbb{Z}, \text{ such that } x^2 = 3y + 1))$$

is true or false, then prove it.

4) Prove that the statement:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, (x \text{ odd} \implies \exists y \in \mathbb{Z}, \text{ such that } x^2 = 8y + 1)$$

is true.

- 09/01: Chap 1.1, ex 1,2 and 5 + set-theory exercises:

5) Explain why if  $A \subset B$  and  $B \subset C$  then  $A \subset C$ .

6) Show that  $A \setminus (B \cup C) = (A \setminus B) \cap (A \setminus C)$

**Homework for week 09/06-09/08:**

*Due Monday 09/11*

- 09/06: Chapter 1.2: ex 1,2,4,8

- 09/08: Chapter 1.3: ex 1,5,15,19,20

**Quiz on Friday 09/08**

*Covers Logic and Proof/Set theory + Chapter 1.1 and 1.2*

**Homework for week 09/11-09/15:**

*Due Monday 09/18*

- Chapter 2.1: ex 1,5,12

- Chapter 2.2: ex 2,4,8, Chap 2.1: ex 15
- Chapter 2.3: ex 4,8,12

**Homework for week 09/18-09/22:**

*Due Monday 09/25*

- 09/18: Chapter 3.1: ex 2,11,17
- 09/20: Chapter 3.1: ex 6,9, Chapter 3.2: ex 8
- 09/22: Chapter 3.2: ex 12,20,32

**Quiz on Friday 09/22**

*Covers Chapter 1.3, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3*

**Homework for week 09/25-09/29:**

*Due Monday 10/02*

- 09/25: Chapter 3.2: ex 30,36, Chapter 3.3: ex 8,12
- 09/27: Chapter 3.3: ex 24,35,36
- 09/29: Chapter 3.3: ex 10,32,38

**Homework for week 10/02-10/06:**

*Due Monday 10/09*

- 10/02: Chapter 3.1: ex 38, Chap 3.2: ex 40, Chap 3.3: ex 29, Chap 4.1: ex 6
- 10/04: Chapter 4.1: ex 2,4,10, Chap 1.2: ex 30, Chap 1.3: ex 32

**Quiz on Friday 10/06**

*Covers Chapter 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3*

**Exam 1 on Wednesday 10/11**

*Covers Chapter 1, 2 and 3*

List of suggested review exercises for each chapter:

- Chap 1.1: ex 11
- Chap 1.2: ex 12,14
- Chap 1.3: ex 7,27,30
- Chap 2.1: ex 10,18
- Chap 2.2: ex 9
- Chap 2.3: ex 16,18
- Chap 3.1: ex 7,16
- Chap 3.2: ex 3,6,13
- Chap 3.3: ex 11,27,31

**Homework for week 10/13-10/20:**

*Due Monday 10/23*

- 10/13: Chapter 4.1: ex 19, Chapter 4.2: ex 2,4
- 10/16: Chapter 4.2: ex 5,14, Chapter 4.3: ex 2
- 10/18: Chapter 4.3: ex 12,20, Chapter 4.4: ex 2,4
- 10/20: Chapter 4.4: ex 10,16,24

**Homework for week 10/23-10/27:**

*Due Monday 10/30*

- 10/23: Chapter 4.5: ex 2,4,5
- 10/25: Chapter 4.5: ex 6,8,16,18
- 10/27: Chapter 4.6: ex 2,4

**Quiz on Friday 10/27**

*Covers Chapter 4.1 to 4.4*

**Homework for week 10/30-11/03:**

*Due Monday 11/06*

- 10/30: Chapter 4.6: ex 1(b),3(b), Chapter 5.1 ex 1,2
- 11/01: Chapter 5.1: ex 4,6,8,10

**Exam on Wednesday 11/08**

*Covers Chapter 4 and 5.1*

List of suggested review exercises:

Chapter 4.1: ex 5,7,11,13

Chapter 4.2: ex 3,7,10,15,16

Chapter 4.3: ex 3,4,11,20

Chapter 4.4: ex 1,3,9

Chapter 4.5: ex 1,13,19

Chapter 4.6: ex 1,2,3,4

Chapter 5.1: ex 3,5,11

**Homework for week 11/10-11/17:**

*Due Monday 11/20*

- 11/10: Chapter 5.2: ex 2,6,14
- 11/13: Chapter 5.3: ex 2,4,6
- 11/15: Chapter 5.3: ex 8,10
- 11/17: Chapter 6.1: ex 4,6,10

**Homework for week 11/20-11/22:**

*Due Monday 11/27*

- 11/20: Chapter 6.1: ex 8,16,20,24,26

- 11/22: Chapter 6.1: ex 22,36

**Homework for week 11/27-12/01:**

*Due Monday 12/04*

- 11/27: Chapter 6.2: ex 4,8,10,12

- 11/29: Chapter 6.2: ex 22,27, Chapter 6.3: ex 8

- 12/01: Chapter 6.3: ex 4,6,10

**Quiz on Friday 12/01**

*Covers Chapters 5.2, 5.3, 6.1, 6.2*

**Final Exam on Tuesday 12/12**

*Covers Chapter 1 to 6.*

Important notions:

Chapter 1: Divisibility, gcd, the fundamental theorem of arithmetics.

Chapter 2: Definition of congruence mod  $n$  and congruence classes. Modular arithmetic: computing sums, products, powers of elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ . Structure of  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ : units, zero divisors,  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  field iff  $p$  prime.

Chapter 3: Definition of rings. Showing that a subset is a subring. Definition of units, zero divisors, homomorphisms, isomorphisms. Showing that a map is an homomorphism. Obstructions for two rings being isomorphic (commutativity, characteristic, number of units/zero divisors...).

Chapter 4: Long polynomial division. Euclidian algorithm for gcd in  $F[x]$ . Arithmetics in  $F[x]$ . Remainder theorem. Rational root test, Eisenstein criterion. Irreducible polynomials in  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  and  $\mathbb{C}[x]$ .

Chapter 5: Congruence mod  $p(x)$  and congruence classes. Computations in rings  $F[x]/(p(x))$ . Structure of  $F[x]/(p(x))$ : units,  $F[x]/(p(x))$  field iff  $p(x)$  irreducible.

Chapter 6: Definition of ideals; checking that a subset of a ring is an ideal. Quotient rings. Kernel of a morphism. 1st isomorphism theorem. Prime and maximal ideals, definition and characterization of their quotient rings.

List of suggested review exercises (some we have already seen, others are new):

Chapter 1.3: ex 7,17

Chapter 2.1: ex 5,6

Chapter 2.3: ex 2,4

Chapter 3.1: ex 16,22,24

Chapter 3.2: ex 3,32

Chapter 3.3: ex 21,22

Chapter 4.1: ex 5

Chapter 4.2: ex 5

Chapter 4.3: ex 10,13,22,23

Chapter 4.4: ex 8,11,12,25

Chapter 4.5: ex 5,14,18

Chapter 4.6: ex 5

Chapter 5.1: ex 1,3

Chapter 5.2: ex 1,2,3,4,8,9

Chapter 5.3: ex 1,5,11

Chapter 6.1: ex 37,40,44,45

Chapter 6.2: ex 13,21,23

Chapter 6.3: ex 2,14,15,16,19,20