This final exam has **8 questions** on **14 pages**, for a total of 100 marks.

*Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes*

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Please read the following points carefully before starting to write.

- Read all the questions carefully before starting to work.

- With the exception of Q1, you should give complete arguments and explanations for all your calculations; answers without justifications will not be marked.

- Continue on the back of the previous page if you run out of space.

- Attempt to answer all questions for partial credit.

- This is a closed-book examination. **None of the following are allowed**: documents, cheat sheets or electronic devices of any kind (including calculators, cell phones, etc.)

- You may not leave during the first 30 minutes or final 15 minutes of the exam.
1. Short answer questions: an answer without proof is sufficient.

(a) Let \(A, B\) and \(C\) be subsets of \(\mathbb{R}\). Negate the following statement:
\[
\forall a \in A \exists b \in B, \text{ s.t. } \forall c \in C, \quad (c - 3 < b) \implies (c^2 - 9 < a).
\]

(b) State the definition that the sets \(A\) and \(B\) have equal cardinality.

(c) Let \(\mathbb{R}\) be the universal set. For \(n \in \mathbb{N}\), let \(S_n\) be the interval \(S_n = (-1/n, n^2 + 1]\). Find \(\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} S_n\). (Here, we think of the real line \(\mathbb{R}\) as the universal set.)
2. Determine whether the following statements are True or False. If a statement is True, provide a brief explanation why (you can refer to anything covered in class). If a statement is False, provide a counterexample.

5 marks  (a) The set \( \{ p/q : p \text{ and } q \text{ are prime} \} \) is denumerable.

4 marks  (b) There exists a bijective function between the set of all rational numbers and the set of all irrational numbers.

4 marks  (c) \( \sqrt{2} - 3\sqrt{3} \) is irrational.
(d) Given two arbitrary real numbers $a$ and $b$, if $a$ and $b$ are both irrational then $a - b$ is irrational.

(e) Let $S$ denote the set of all sequences $a_1a_2a_3a_4a_5\ldots$ where, for all $i \in \mathbb{N}, a_i \in \{0, 1\}$. A student was asked to prove that $|S \times S| = |S|$. The student wrote the following: Write $S = \{s_1, s_2, \ldots\}$. Then

$$S \times S = \{(s_1, s_1), (s_1, s_2), \ldots; (s_2, s_1), (s_2, s_2), \ldots; \ldots; (s_n, s_1), (s_n, s_2), \ldots; \ldots\}.$$ 

This set of pairs can be arranged in a table: in the first row, put the pairs $(s_1, s_1), (s_1, s_2), (s_1, s_3), \ldots$, in the second row – the pairs where the first elements is $s_2$, and so on. As discussed in class, we have an algorithm to list all the elements in this table as a single list, and thus we get that the cardinality of this set of pairs is the same as the cardinality of the set $S$.

Is this proof correct or not? If right, no explanation is needed; if wrong, briefly explain why.
3. (a) Prove that for all integers \( n \), \( n^3 \equiv (n + 3)^3 \mod 9 \).

(b) Prove that for every integer \( n \geq 0 \), the sum \( n^3 + (n + 1)^3 + (n + 2)^3 \) is divisible by 9.
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4. Let $a \in \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$. Prove that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

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\sum_{k=1}^{n} a^k = \frac{a^{n+1} - a}{a - 1}.
$$
5. Suppose that $f : A \to B$ is a function and let $C$ be a subset of $A$.

5 marks (a) Prove that $f(A) - f(C) \subseteq f(A - C)$.

5 marks (b) Find a counterexample for $f(A - C) \subseteq f(A) - f(C')$. 

6. (a) Let \( f : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \) be a function defined as \( f(a, b) := 4a + 6b \). Explicitly describe the set \( S := \text{range}(f) \). Prove your answer.
4 marks

(b) Let $f$ be the same function as in part (a), and let $g : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ be the function $g(x) = x^2$. Explicitly describe the composite function $g \circ f$. 
7. (a) Prove that if $G$ is a connected graph with $n$ vertices, then $G$ has at least $n - 1$ edges.
(b) Prove that if a connected graph with \( n \) vertices has exactly \( n - 1 \) edges, then it is a tree.
8. Let $S$ and $T$ be two arbitrary sets. Prove that if the sets $S - T$ and $T - S$ have the same cardinality, then the sets $S$ and $T$ have the same cardinality.