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Quiz 3

Directions: You have 15 minutes to complete this quiz. Read each problem carefully. There are two problems on the back of this page.

1. (2 points) Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a \neq 0$. State the definition of the phrase:

" a divides b ".

What is the notation we use for this phrase?

" a divides b " means $b = ak$ for some integer k .

We use the notation $a \mid b$.

2. (3 points) Let $a, b, m \in \mathbb{Z}$, $m \geq 2$.

- (a) State the definition of the phrase:

" a is congruent to b modulo m ".

What is the notation we use for this phrase?

" a is congruent to b modulo m " means $m \mid a - b$.

We write $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$.

- (b) Give an example of two integers that are congruent modulo 3.

$$4 \equiv 7 \pmod{3} \quad \text{since } 3 \mid (4-7)$$

- (c) Give an example of two integers that are not congruent modulo 4.

$$1 \not\equiv -6 \pmod{4} \quad \text{since } 4 \nmid (1 - (-6)).$$

3. (3 points) Let $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Prove: If $5|x$ and $5|x+y$, then $5|y$.

Proof: Assume that $5|x$ and $5|y+x$. Then $x=5k$ and $x+y=5l$ for some $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$. Therefore

$$5l = x+y = 5k+y,$$

so $y = 5l - 5k = 5(l-k)$. Since $l-k \in \mathbb{Z}$, we see that $5|y$, as desired. \square

4. (2 points) Let A, B and C be sets.

Prove: $A \times (B \cap C) \subseteq (A \times B) \cap (A \times C)$

Proof Let $z \in A \times (B \cap C)$. Then z is an ordered pair and we write $z = (a, d)$, where $a \in A$ and $d \in B \cap C$.

Then $d \in B$ and $d \in C$, so we know that

$$(a, d) \in A \times B \quad \text{and} \quad (a, d) \in A \times C.$$

Hence $(a, d) \in (A \times B) \cap (A \times C)$.

We conclude that $A \times (B \cap C) \subseteq (A \times B) \cap (A \times C)$. \square