

**MTH5117 Mathematical writing: Coursework 4**

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*DEADLINE: Sunday of week 6, at 23.55.*

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*ASSESSED PROBLEMS [with allocated marks].**Problem 1: 2,3,4,5 [20]. Problem 2: 5,9 [30].**Problem 3: 2,3 [30]. Problem 4: 2 [20].*

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**Problem 1.** Describe each item accurately, with a short phrase. [✓]

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| 1) $f^{-1}(0)$        | 2) $f(0)^{-1}$                       |
| 3) $f^{-1}(\{0\})$    | 4) $f _{\mathbb{Z}}$                 |
| 5) $(f \circ g)^{-1}$ | 6) $f(\mathbb{R}) \cap \mathbb{Q}$ . |

**Problem 2.** Consider the symbolic sentences:

1.  $\exists n \in \mathbb{Z}, -n \notin \mathbb{Z}$
2.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, 1/n \notin \mathbb{N}$
3.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, xy = yx$
4.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \sqrt{n} \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$
5.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, 2 | n(n+1)$
6.  $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}, e^x \in \mathbb{Q}$
7.  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{Z}, (2 \nmid n \wedge 2 \nmid m) \Rightarrow 2 | (m+n)$
8.  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, (x < y) \Rightarrow (x^2 < y^2)$
9.  $\forall y \in \mathbb{Z}, \exists x \in \mathbb{R}, \log(x) = y$ .

For each sentence

- (a) State whether it's true or false.
- (b) State it with words. [✓]
- (c) State its negation with symbols.
- (d) State its negation with words. [✓]

Be concise.

**Problem 3.** Each function definition contains an error. Explain what is the error, and how it should be corrected.

1.  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad x \mapsto \frac{1}{x^2 + x - 1}$
2.  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad x \mapsto \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$
3.  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \quad z \mapsto \# \left\{ \frac{a}{b} \in (0, 1) : b \leq n \right\}$
4.  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \quad n \mapsto n\mathbb{Z} \cap (n^2 + 1)\mathbb{Z}$ .

**Problem 4.** Answer the questions as clearly as you can.

[You may use symbols. Consider establishing some notation.]

1. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets. Why are the sets  $(A \setminus B)^2$  and  $A^2 \setminus B^2$  not necessarily equal? Under what conditions are they equal?
2. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function, and let  $A$  be a subset of  $X$ . Why are the sets  $A$  and  $f^{-1}(f(A))$  not necessarily equal? Under what conditions are they equal?