DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS Assignment 3

**NB:** Please deposit your solutions in the appropriate box by 4 p.m. on the due date. Late assignments or assignments placed into incorrect boxes will not be marked. Use a mathematics department cover sheet. These are available from outside the Resource Centre. PLEASE SHOW ALL WORKING.

1. (a) Consider the partial ordering  $\leq$  on the set  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$  defined by  $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5), (6, 6), (2, 1), \}$ 

 $(2,3), (2,4), (2,5), (2,6), (3,4), (3,5), (3,6), (6,4), (5,4)\}.$ 

Draw the lattice diagram.

List the sets of maximal, minimal, greatest and least elements of A. (Some of these sets may be empty, or have several elements.) Give reasons.

- (b) Now let A be a set, and consider the power set of A,  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ , with the partial ordering  $\subseteq$ . Prove that  $A \in \mathcal{P}(A)$  is a maximal element of  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ . Does  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  have a greatest element? Give one example of a nonempty set A where  $\subseteq$  is a total ordering, and another where  $\subseteq$  is not a total ordering.
- **2.** Define a relation on  $\mathbb{Z}$  by  $a \sim b \iff (a b)/3 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Describe the set of relatives of  $1 \in \mathbb{Z}$  (ie the set  $T_1$ ).

Write down  $\mathcal{R}_{\sim} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z})$ , and justify your answer.

Prove that  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation by showing that  $\mathcal{R}_{\sim}$  is a partition of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

Describe the equivalence classes.

Hint: Recall (from a previous assignment) that every integer x can be written in exactly one of the following ways (with  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ): 3k, 3k + 1 or 3k + 2.

**3.** Let  $f: A \to B$  and  $g: B \to C$  be functions.

Prove that if both f and g are one-to-one, then  $g \circ f$  is one-to-one.

Let X and Y be subsets of A. Prove that  $f(X) \setminus f(Y) \subseteq f(X \setminus Y)$ .

Give an example where  $f(X) \setminus f(Y) \neq f(X \setminus Y)$ . (Be careful to define f properly and to show it is an example.)

4. Let  $X = [0,1) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  and  $Y = [1,3) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $f : X \to Y$  be defined by f(x) = 2x + 1.

Prove that f is a 1-1 correspondence.

The usual ordering  $\leq$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  gives orderings on X and Y. (In other words, we can compare elements of X, say, because they are real numbers.) Prove that f is an order isomorphism.

5. Let A be a set and consider the binary operation on  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  given by set difference:  $a * b = a \setminus b$  for  $a, b \in \mathcal{P}(A)$ .

Is this operation associative?

Is this operation commutative?

Give proofs or counterexamples.