1. (a) (3 marks) Let E(x) := x is even. Then

$$(a) \iff (\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z})(E(ac) \land E(ab) \land E(bc) \implies E(a) \land E(b) \land E(c)).$$
$$\neg(a) \iff (\exists a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z})(E(ac) \land E(ab) \land E(bc) \land (O(a) \lor O(b) \lor O(c))).$$

(1) Take a = 2 = b and c = 1.

(2) Then ac = 2 = bc and ab = 4 are even but c is odd.

Thus a = 2, b = 2 and c = 1 is a counterexample to the statement (a).

(b) (3 marks) Let O(x) := x is odd. Then

$$(b) \iff (\exists xy \in \mathbb{Z})(E(xy) \land O(x) \land O(y)).$$
$$\neg(b) \iff (\forall x, y \in \mathbb{Z})(E(xy) \implies (E(x) \lor E(y))).$$

Suppose, for a contradiction that x and y are both odd but xy is even for some  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then x = 2k + 1 and y = 2t + 1 for some  $k, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus

$$xy = (2k+1)(2t+1) = 4kt + 2k + 2t + 1 = 2(2kt + k + t) + 1.$$

Since 2kt + k + t is an integer, it follows that xy is odd, which is impossible.

**2.** (1 mark) For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $P_n$  be the statement that  $7 \mid (4^{2n} - 2^n)$ .

## (2 mark)

Base case: When n = 1, we have  $4^{2n} - 2^n = 16 - 2 = 14 = 7 \times 2$ , so  $7 \mid (4^{2n} - 2^n)$ .

## (4 mark)

Inductive step: Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and suppose  $P_k$  is true, that is,  $4^{2k} - 2^k = 7m$ , for some integer m. Then  $4^{2k} = 7m + 2^k$  and

$$4^{2(k+1)} - 2^{k+1} = 4^{2k+2} - 2^{k+1}$$
  
=  $16 \times 4^{2k} - 2 \times 2^{k}$   
=  $16 \times (7m + 2^{k}) - 2 \times 2^{k}$   
=  $16 \times 7m + 14 \times 2^{k}$   
=  $7(16m + 2 \times 2^{k}),$ 

so it is divisible by 7. It follows that  $P_{k+1}$  is true and by mathematical induction,  $P_n$  is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

3. (1 mark) For n ∈ N with n ≥ 4, let P<sub>n</sub> be the statement that n! > 2<sup>n</sup>.
(2 mark)

Base case: When n = 4, we have 4! = 24 and  $2^n = 16$ , so  $n! > 2^n$ , that is  $P_4$  is true. (4 mark)

Inductive step: Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $k \geq 4$  and suppose  $P_k$  is true, that is,  $k! > 2^k$ . Then

$$(k+1)! = (k+1) \times k!$$
  
>  $(k+1) \times 2^k$  as  $k! > 2^k$   
>  $2 \times 2^k$  as  $k+1 > 4$   
=  $2^{k+1}$ .

so  $P_{k+1}$  is true. By induction,  $P_n$  is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n \ge 4$ .

**4.** (3 marks) For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  let  $P_n$  be the statement that  $x^n$  is even if and only if x is even.

**Base:**  $P_1$  is the statement that x is even if and only if x is even, which is clearly true.

(5 marks) [Inductive step:] Suppose  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and suppose  $P_k$  is true, in other words  $x^k$  is even if and only if x is even.

Suppose x is even, so that x = 2t for some  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ . So  $x^{k+1} = x \cdot x^k = 2(t2^k)$  is even.

Suppose  $x^{k+1}$  is even. From Question 1 (b) of this assignment, we know that for  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  if ab is even then either a or b is even. Now  $x^{k+1} = x \cdot x^k$  is even, so x is even or  $x^k$  is even. If x is even, then  $P_{k+1}$  is true. On the other hand, if  $x^k$  is even, then by the induction hypothesis, x is even as well. Thus  $P_{k+1}$  is always true. Hence, by complete induction,  $P_n$  is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

5. (2 marks) Compute  $x_1 = 3, x_2 = 18 = 2 \times 3^2, x_3 = 3 \times 3^3, x_4 = 4 \times 3^4$ . We conjecture that

$$x_n = n3^n$$
.

(2 marks) For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $P_n$  be the statement that  $x_n = n3^n$ .

- **Base:**  $P_1$  is the statement that  $x_1 = 3$ , which is true;  $P_2$  is the statement that  $x_2 = 2 \cdot 3^2 = 18$ , which is also true.
- (4 marks) [Inductive step:] Suppose  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $k \ge 2$  and suppose  $P_1 \land \ldots \land P_k$  is true, in other words  $x_i = i3^i$  for  $1 \le i \le k$  Then

$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+1} &= 6x_k - 9x_{k-1} \\ &= 6k3^k - 9(k-1)3^{k-1} \\ &= 2k3^{k+1} - (k-1)3^{k+1} \\ &= (2k-k+1)3^{k+1} \\ &= (k+1)3^{k+1}, \end{aligned}$$

so  $x_{k+1} = (k+1)3^{k+1}$ , in other words  $P_{k+1}$  is true.

Hence, by complete induction,  $P_n$  is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

## 6. (3 marks each)

- (a) Note that  $\rho = \{(x, y) \in A \times A : 2x + y = 0\} = \emptyset$  since both x < 0 and y < 0. So  $\rho$  is symmetric, antisymmetric and transitive. But  $\rho$  is not reflexive because  $(-1, -1) \notin \rho$ .
- (b) Not reflexive:  $(0,0) \notin \rho$ . Symmetric:  $(x,y) \in \rho \iff x+y=1 \iff y+x=1 \iff (y,x) \in \rho$ ; Not antisymmetric:  $0\rho 1 \wedge 1\rho 0$  but  $1 \neq 0$ . Not transitive:  $0\rho 1 \wedge 1\rho 0$  but  $(0,0) \notin \rho$ .
- (c) Not reflexive:  $(b,b) \notin \rho$ . Not symmetric:  $(a,c) \in \rho$  but  $(c,a) \notin \rho$ . Not antisymmetric:  $(a,b) \in \rho \land (b,c) \in \rho$  but  $a \neq c$ . Not transitive:  $(b,a) \in \rho \land (a,b) \in \rho$  but  $(b,b) \notin \rho$ .
- (d) **Reflexive**: for all  $x \in D$ , |x x| = 0 < 2. **Symmetric**:  $(x, y) \in \rho \iff |x - y| < 2 \iff |y - x| < 2 \iff (y, x) \in \rho$ . **Not antisymmetric**:  $1\rho 0 \land 0\rho 1$  but  $0 \neq 1$ . **Not transitive**:  $1\rho 2 \land 2\rho 3$ , that is, |1 - 2| < 2 and |2 - 3| < 2, but  $|x - z| = |1 - 3| = 2 \not< 2$ , namely  $x \not/ pz$ .
- 7. (a) (2 marks) Let  $Q = A \times A$ . It is easy to check that Q is an equivalents relation and  $R \subseteq Q$ .
  - (b) (5 marks) For any  $x \in A$ , if  $Q \in \Omega$ , then  $(x, x) \in Q$  since Q is reflexive. Thus  $(x, x) \in S$  and so S is reflexive.

If  $(x, y) \in S$ , then  $(x, y) \in Q$  for any  $Q \in \Omega$ , so that  $(y, x) \in Q$  as Q is symmetric. Thus  $(y, x) \in S$  and so S is symmetric.

If  $(x, y) \in S$  and  $(y, z) \in S$ , then  $(x, y) \in Q$  and  $(y, z) \in Q$  for any  $Q \in \Omega$ , so that  $(x, z) \in Q$  as Q is transitive. Thus  $(x, z) \in S$  and so S is **transitive**.

It follows that S is an equivalence relation.

For any  $(x, y) \in R$  and any  $Q \in \Omega$ ,  $(x, y) \in Q$  as  $R \subseteq Q$ . Thus  $(x, y) \in S$  and  $R \subseteq S$ .

- (c) (3 marks) If X is an equivalence relation containing R. Then  $X \in \Omega$ . For any  $(x, y) \in S$ ,  $(x, y) \in Q$  for any  $Q \in \Omega$ . In particular,  $(x, y) \in X$  and so  $S \subseteq X$ .
- 8. (a) (1 mark) ~ is reflexive because 8 | 3x + 5x = 8x for any x ∈ Z.
  (3 marks) ~ is symmetric. Suppose x ~ y. Then 8 | 3x + 5y, so 3x + 5y = 8m for some m ∈ Z, and

$$8 \mid 3y + 5x = 8x + 8y - (3x + 5y) = 8(x + y - m).$$

Thus  $y \sim x$ .

(3 marks) ~ is transitive. Suppose  $x \sim y$  and  $y \sim z$  for  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $8 \mid 3x + 5y$  and  $8 \mid 3y + 5z$ , so  $8 \mid 3x + 5z = (3x + 5y) + (3y + 5z) - 8y$  and  $x \sim z$ .

(b) (**3 marks**)

$$x \in [0] \iff 8 \mid 5x + 3 \cdot 0 = 5x \iff 8 \mid x.$$

Thus  $[0] = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} : x = 8t, \exists t \in \mathbb{Z}\} = 8\mathbb{Z}.$ 

9. (a) (3 marks) We have the lattice diagrams



- (b) (2 marks) maximal elements =  $\{15, 20, 8, 18\}$ ; minimal elements =  $\{5, 2\}$ .
- (c) (3 marks) Let  $S = \{15, 18\}$ . Then S has no upper bound and no lower bound.
- (d) (2 marks) 2 is the greatest lower bound of  $\{4, 6, 10\}$ .
- (e) (2 marks)  $\{2, 4, 20\}$  is totally ordered, since  $2 \mid 4 \mid 20$ . Thus it is totally ordered.