Mathematics 55 First Midterm Exam Professor K. A. Ribet September 25, 1997

## F295 Haas and 1 Leconte 3:40–5:00 PM

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

TA: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check that you have all 7 pages of this exam booklet. Write your name on each page. As you turn through the pages, look for the easy questions—do them first. This exam is 80 minutes long.

- This is a closed-book exam: no books, notes or calculators are allowed.
- You need not simplify your answers unless you are specifically asked to do so.
- It is essential to write legibly and *show your work*.
- If your work is absent or illegible, and your answer is not perfectly correct, then no partial credit can be awarded.
- Completely correct answers which are given without justification may receive little or no credit.

Problem	Maximum	Your Score
1	10	
2a-b	10	
2c and 3	11	
4	10	
5	8	
6	11	
Total	60	

At the conclusion of the exam, hand in this exam paper to your TA.

**1a** (4 points). Find the remainder when  $2^{55}$  is divided by the prime number 53.

**1b** (6 points). Suppose that f and g are functions  $S \to S$ , where S is the set of positive integers less than  $10^3$ . If the composition  $f \circ g$  is 1-1 and onto, must f and g be 1-1 and onto? (Give a short proof or a counterexample.)

In the following problems, it may be useful to know that  $203 \cdot 83 - 39 \cdot 432 = 1$ .

**2a** (5 points). Find an integer x such that  $83x \equiv 1 \mod 432$ .

**2b** (5 points). Find an integer y such that  $39y \equiv 4 \mod 203$ .

**2c** (6 points). Find an integer z such that  $z \equiv 2 \mod 39$  and  $z \equiv 3 \mod 203$ .

**3** (5 points). Can you conclude that A = B if A, B and C are sets such that  $A \cap C = B \cap C$  and  $A \cup C = B \cup C$ ? (Explain why or why not.)

**4** (10 points). Numbers  $A_n$  are defined as follows:

$$A_0 = 0;$$
  $A_1 = 1;$   $A_n = 5A_{n-1} - 6A_{n-2}$  for  $n \ge 2.$ 

Prove that  $A_n = 3^n - 2^n$  for all  $n \ge 0$ .

**5** (8 points). Suppose that  $f(x) = 5^x$  and  $g(x) = 10^x$ . Decide whether each of the following statements is true. (Logarithms are to the base e.)

(a) 
$$f(x) = O(g(x)).$$
  
(b)  $g(x) = O(f(x)).$   
(c)  $\log g(x) = O(\log f(x)).$   
(d)  $f(x) = O(\log g(x)).$ 

Explain your reasoning.

**6a** (6 points). Find an integer d such that  $(M^{11})^d \equiv M \mod 55$  for all integers M such that gcd(M, 55) = 1.

**6b** (5 points). Determine whether  $(\neg q \land (p \rightarrow q)) \rightarrow \neg p$  is a tautology.