

# Homework 12

Math 300, Fall 2022

This homework is due on Friday, November 11. (Turn in your answers to questions 1–6.)

0. (*This problem is not to be turned in.*) Read Sections 7.2 and 7.3.

(a) Give an example of a partition of  $\mathbb{R}$  that consists of 5 sets.

(b) Section 7.2 #4, 7

(c) Section 7.3 #2(d)

1. (a) List all partitions of the set  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ . (No proof necessary.)

(b) How many equivalence relations on  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  are there? Explain your answer.  
(*Hint:* Use your answer to (a).)

2. For any real number  $r$ , consider the following parabola:

$$P_r = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \mid y = x^2 + r\}.$$

(a) Draw  $P_{-1}$ ,  $P_0$ , and  $P_2$  (as subsets of  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ ).

(b) Does the set of all parabolas  $P_r$  form a partition of  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ ? Prove your answer.

(c) Is there an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  for which the equivalence classes are the parabolas  $P_r$ ? If so, define this equivalence relation. If not, explain why not.

3. Section 7.2 #4(b,c,f), 6

4. Section 7.3 #1(a), 2(a,b,c)

# Writing Assignment 8

Math 300

This homework is due on **Monday, November 21** (in class).

- Extend your draft to include *all* sections of your final paper:
  1. the introduction (what will your paper be about?),
  2. the mathematical background (define and/or explain all unfamiliar terms),
  3. *three* sections developing main ideas, and
  4. a short discussion or conclusion.
- *Edit your draft in response to all comments received.*
- The required length is at least seven pages, excluding figures and bibliography.
- Your draft must meet the following style requirements:
  - double-spaced, 12-point font, 1-inch margins
  - pages must be numbered
  - figures from other sources must be credited
- *Please print 2 copies of your draft.*
- If you do **not** turn in this draft, you will receive a 5% penalty on the final paper.

IMPORTANT: The final report is due on *Monday, December 5* emailed to the instructor, by 9 pm. (The rubric was given earlier in the semester, and is available on the course website.)