

**Homework-Assignment 1**      **Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Write-up your solution carefully including all the details of the proof. Due Wednesday September 2.**

1. (5 points)

Let  $A, B$  be two sets. Show that  $(A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A) = (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$ .

2. (5 points) Let  $a, b$  be two positive integers. Show that  $ab = (a, b)[a, b]$ .

3. (5 points)

Show by using mathematical induction that

$$1^2 + 3^2 + \cdots + (2n - 1)^2 = \frac{n(4n^2 - 1)}{3}$$

for all positive integers  $n$ .

4. (5 points)

Let  $A$  be a set and  $f, g : A \rightarrow A$  two functions such that  $f \circ g$  is onto. Prove that  $f$  is onto.

5. (5 points) (for graduate students only)

Let  $A$  be a set with  $m$  elements and  $B$  a set with  $n$  elements. How many functions  $f : A \rightarrow B$  are there? Fully explain.