

# EXAM III

Math 109 / Music 109A, Spring 2011

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Each problem is worth 10 points.

1. Define a (commutative) ring  $R$  and show that  $0 \cdot x = 0$ , for any  $x \in R$ .  
Use this to show that  $(-1) \cdot x = -x$ , for any  $x \in R$ .

2. Determine whether these subsets of  $\mathbb{Z}$  are ideals. If so, express them in the form  $n\mathbb{Z}$ , where  $n$  is a positive integer. Justify your answers.

(a) the positive integers

(b)  $100\mathbb{Z} + 30\mathbb{Z}$

3. Prove that there are infinitely many prime numbers.
4. List the units of the ring  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$  and explain the implication this has for keyboard intervals.
5. Give the prime factorizations of these integers, writing the primes in ascending order, as in  $2^3 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 7^2$ .
- (a) 75      (b) 64      (c) 242      (d) 52      (e)  $14 \times 10^{23}$

6. On the staff system below, write the keyboard's best approximation for harmonics 1 through 11 for the indicated note. For the 11th harmonic, indicate how sharp or flat (to the nearest cent) the keyboard's approximation is.



7. Find the value  $\gamma$  for which the pitch associated to the periodic function  $h(t) = d \sin(\gamma t + \beta)$ , where  $t$  is time in seconds, is  $E_4^b$ .

8. Find the period, frequency, amplitude, and phase shift for the function

$$g(t) = 3 \sin(880\pi t) + 4 \cos(880\pi t)$$

and express it in the form  $d \sin(\alpha t + \beta)$ , giving a decimal approximation for  $\beta$ .

9. A certain vowel sound has a formant which amplifies frequencies within 350 Hz of 2900 Hz. An alto singer sings the vowel at  $A_3$ . Which harmonics are amplified?

10. We established that the square wave, defined on  $[0, 2\pi)$  by

$$s(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } 0 \leq t < \pi \\ -1, & \text{for } \pi \leq t < 2\pi \end{cases}$$

has Fourier series

$$s(t) = \sin t + \frac{1}{3} \sin(3t) + \frac{1}{5} \sin(5t) + \cdots$$

Draw the graph of  $s(t)$ . Give the values of the Fourier coefficients  $C, A_k, B_k$  for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , and indicate the amplitude and phase shift of each harmonic. By evaluating an integral using areas, verify that the value of  $B_1$  is what you have determined it to be.