

# HMMT February 2022

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## Combinatorics Round

1. Sets  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  satisfy  $|A| = 92$ ,  $|B| = 35$ ,  $|C| = 63$ ,  $|A \cap B| = 16$ ,  $|A \cap C| = 51$ ,  $|B \cap C| = 19$ . Compute the number of possible values of  $|A \cap B \cap C|$ .
2. Compute the number of ways to color 3 cells in a  $3 \times 3$  grid so that no two colored cells share an edge.
3. Michel starts with the string  $HMMT$ . An operation consists of either replacing an occurrence of  $H$  with  $HM$ , replacing an occurrence of  $MM$  with  $MOM$ , or replacing an occurrence of  $T$  with  $MT$ . For example, the two strings that can be reached after one operation are  $HMMMT$  and  $HMOMT$ . Compute the number of distinct strings Michel can obtain after exactly 10 operations.
4. Compute the number of nonempty subsets  $S \subseteq \{-10, -9, -8, \dots, 8, 9, 10\}$  that satisfy  $|S| + \min(S) \cdot \max(S) = 0$ .
5. Five cards labeled 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 are laid in a row in that order, forming the five-digit number 13579 when read from left to right. A swap consists of picking two distinct cards, and then swapping them. After three swaps, the cards form a new five-digit number  $n$  when read from left to right. Compute the expected value of  $n$ .
6. The numbers 1, 2,  $\dots$ , 10 are randomly arranged in a circle. Let  $p$  be the probability that for every positive integer  $k < 10$ , there exists an integer  $k' > k$  such that there is at most one number between  $k$  and  $k'$  in the circle. If  $p$  can be expressed as  $\frac{a}{b}$  for relatively prime positive integers  $a$  and  $b$ , compute  $100a + b$ .
7. Let  $S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \mid 0 \leq x \leq 11, 0 \leq y \leq 9\}$ . Compute the number of sequences  $(s_0, s_1, \dots, s_n)$  of elements in  $S$  (for any positive integer  $n \geq 2$ ) that satisfy the following conditions:
  - $s_0 = (0, 0)$  and  $s_1 = (1, 0)$ ,
  - $s_0, s_1, \dots, s_n$  are distinct,
  - for all integers  $2 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $s_i$  is obtained by rotating  $s_{i-2}$  about  $s_{i-1}$  by either  $90^\circ$  or  $180^\circ$  in the clockwise direction.
8. Random sequences  $a_1, a_2, \dots$  and  $b_1, b_2, \dots$  are chosen so that every element in each sequence is chosen independently and uniformly from the set  $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 100\}$ . Compute the expected value of the smallest nonnegative integer  $s$  such that there exist positive integers  $m$  and  $n$  with

$$s = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i = \sum_{j=1}^n b_j.$$

9. Consider permutations  $(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{2022})$  of  $(0, 1, \dots, 2022)$  such that

- $a_{2022} = 625$ ,
- for each  $0 \leq i \leq 2022$ ,  $a_i \geq \frac{625i}{2022}$ ,
- for each  $0 \leq i \leq 2022$ ,  $\{a_i, \dots, a_{2022}\}$  is a set of consecutive integers (in some order).

The number of such permutations can be written as  $\frac{a!}{b!c!}$  for positive integers  $a, b, c$ , where  $b > c$  and  $a$  is minimal. Compute  $100a + 10b + c$ .

10. Let  $S$  be a set of size 11. A random 12-tuple  $(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{12})$  of elements of  $S$  is chosen uniformly at random. Moreover, let  $\pi: S \rightarrow S$  be a permutation of  $S$  chosen uniformly at random. The probability that  $s_{i+1} \neq \pi(s_i)$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq 12$  (where  $s_{13} = s_1$ ) can be written as  $\frac{a}{b}$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are relatively prime positive integers. Compute  $a$ .