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(COL 202) Discrete Mathematics

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Minor 1

Duration: 120 minutes

(50 points)

Beware: Be clear in your writing. If you use a statement proved in class or in the problem set, then write down the entire statement before using it. You will not get a new sheet, so make sure you are certain when you write something (maybe use a dark pencil). Make a judicious decision of which tool(s) to use to get a clean and short answer that fits in the space. If you cheat, you will surely get an F in this course.

1. ($4 \times 3 = 12$ points) In this question, each sub-question will have zero or more correct answers. You are to circle each correct answer and leave uncircled each incorrect answer. Each problem is worth 3 points and you get points if and only if you circle all of the correct answers and none of the wrong ones. There are no partial points.
 - (a) Let w , b and n be propositions where w is “I walk to work”, g is “I work in Gurgugram”, n is “I work at night”. The sentence “When I work nights and I work in Gurgugram, I don’t walk to work” could be written using propositions and logical connectives as:
 - (1) $(n \wedge g) \implies \neg w$
 - (2) $(n \vee g) \iff n$
 - (3) $n \implies \neg(w \wedge g)$
 - (4) $\neg(w \wedge g) \vee n$
 - (b) Identify the *tautologies* among the following:
 - (1) $(a \implies b) \iff (\neg a \implies \neg b)$
 - (2) $(a \implies b) \iff (\neg b \implies \neg a)$
 - (3) $(a \implies b) \implies a$
 - (4) $(a \wedge b \wedge c) \iff (b \wedge c \wedge a)$
 - (c) Identify those formulae which are *satisfiable*.
 - (1) $(a \vee b) \wedge (a \vee \neg b) \wedge (\neg a \vee b) \wedge (\neg a \vee \neg b)$
 - (2) $(a \wedge b) \wedge (a \wedge \neg b)$
 - (3) $(a \implies b) \implies (\neg b \implies \neg a)$
 - (4) $(a \wedge b) \implies (a \wedge \neg b)$
 - (d) For countably infinite sets A and B , $A \cap B$ can be
 - (1) Countably infinite
 - (2) Uncountable
 - (3) Finite
 - (4) Empty
2. ($3 \times 4 = 12$ points) Answer the following questions with a brief justification.
 - (a) Arrange the following functions in a sequence f_1, f_2, \dots, f_7 so that $f_i = O(f_{i-1})$. Additionally, if $f_i = \Theta(f_{i+1})$, indicate that: $n \log n, (\log \log n)^{\log n}, (\log n)^{\log \log n}, n \cdot 2^{\sqrt{\log n}}, (\log n)^{\log \log n}, n^{1+\frac{1}{\log n}}, n^2$. Assume that all the logarithms are to the base 2.
 $n^{1+\frac{1}{\log n}} = O((\log n)^{\log \log n}) = O(n \log n) = O(n \cdot 2^{\sqrt{\log n}}) = O(n^2) = O((\log \log n)^{\log n})$
 - (b) How many different ways can you choose 18 muffins from a choice of apple, blueberry, chocolate-chip and date muffins, if there are 9 apple, 8 blueberry, 6 chocolate chip, but an unlimited number of date muffins. You can use either inclusion-exclusion or generating functions. For generating functions approach, you can as in Section 16.2.6 in the LLM Book. From inclusion-exclusion, you should get

$$\binom{18+3}{3} - \left(\binom{8+3}{3} + \binom{9+3}{3} + \binom{11+3}{3} \right) + \left(0 + \binom{1+3}{3} + \binom{2+3}{3} \right) - 0$$
 - (c) Count the number of integer solutions to $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 10, x_1 \geq -2, x_2 \geq 0, x_3 \geq 0, x_4 \geq 0$. This is the same as the number of non-negative solutions to $y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4 = 12$ which is exactly $\binom{12+3}{3}$
3. (6 points) How many 6-character passwords can be made using only the characters from the set $\{A, B, C, D, E, F, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ if
 - (a) The password must contain at least one letter and at least one digit (repeats allowed). $10^6 - 6^6 - 4^6$

- (b) The password contains four letters and two digits (in any order and repeats allowed). $\binom{6}{4} \cdot 6^4 \cdot 4^2$
- (c) No character is used more than once. $10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5$
- (d) No two letters are adjacent, no two digits are adjacent, and no character is used more than once. Briefly explain your answers for each of the cases. $2 \times (6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4) \times (4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2)$
4. (5 points) An 8×8 chessboard is colored in the usual way, but that's boring, so you decide to fix this. You can take any row, column, or 2×2 square, and reverse the colors inside it, switching black to white and white to black. Prove that it's impossible to end up with 63 white squares and 1 black square.
- Any of these operations changes the total number of white squares by an even number. In the case of a row or column, it goes from having k white squares to having $8 - k$ white squares, for a change of $8 - 2k = 2(4 - k)$. In the case of a 2×2 square, we go from k white squares to $4 - k$ white squares, for a change of $4 - 2k = 2(2 - k)$. Since we start with an even number of white squares, the number of white squares always remains even, so it is impossible to end with 63 white squares.
5. (5 points) Recall that for $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $[a, b] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid a \leq x \leq b\}$ and $(a, b) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid a < x < b\}$. Find a bijection from $[0, 1]$ to $(0, 1)$.
- Sorry about the mistake in notation - the correct notation for open and closed sets is just the opposite of what I have here, that is $[0, 1] = (0, 1) \cup \{0, 1\}$. This question involves a nice trick: First we identify some nice countable subset S in both $[0, 1]$, $(0, 1)$:
- $$\begin{aligned} [0, 1] &= \{0, 1, 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, \dots\} \cup S \\ (0, 1) &= \{1/2, 1/3, 1/4, \dots\} \cup S \end{aligned}$$
- Now notice that $S = [0, 1] \setminus \{0, 1, 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, \dots\}$. Now the bijection f just maps all elements x in S to x itself, 0 to $1/2$, and $x = 1/n$ to $1/(n+2)$ (this includes mapping 1 to $1/3$).
6. (5 points) If $A = \{a_0, a_1, \dots\}$ and $B = \{b_0, b_1, \dots\}$ are countably infinite sets, Show that their product $A \times B$ is also a countable set by showing how to list the elements of $A \times B$. There at least 3 possible solutions: Proof 1 is as follows: For a fixed $a \in A$, let $B_a = \{(a, b) \in A \times B \mid b \in B\}$. Since B is countable, each B_a is countable. Note that $\cup_{a \in A} B_a$ is the countable union of countable sets, and hence is countable (we have seen this in class/tutorials). Since $A \times B = \cup_{a \in A} B_a$, we have that $A \times B$ is countable. For Proofs 2 and 3 [here](#).
7. (5 points) Find a closed form for $S = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2n}{3^{n+1}}$
- Check this [Stackexchange Post](#). Note that we have deducted marks if you have been careless with manipulation by doing arithmetic with infinity (subtract $S/3$ from S without first proving convergence (where the formal method would have been to define the m -th partial sum and then find its limit). You shouldn't raise a regrade request for this.