

# Final Examination

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### Multiple choice problems

There are 20 problems below. Enter their solutions in the grid at the bottom of the next side. Note the following conventions:  $p, q$ , and  $r$  are propositions;  $R, S$ , and  $T$  are finite sets;  $f$  is a function; and  $G = (V, E)$  is a graph.

1. 1 point Which of the following is equivalent to  $p \iff q$ ?  
A.  $p \iff \neg q$    B.  $\neg p \iff q$    C.  $\neg p \iff \neg q$    D. None of the mentioned
2. 1 point  $p \implies (p \vee q)$  is a tautology.  
A. **True**   B. False
3. 1 point Which of the following is *not* equivalent to the statement,  $(p \wedge q) \implies (q \vee r)$ ?  
A.  $(p \implies q) \vee (q \implies r)$    B.  $(p \implies r) \vee (q \implies q)$    C.  $\neg(p \wedge q) \implies \neg(q \vee r)$   
D. True
4. 1 point The premises  $(p \wedge q) \vee r$  and  $r \implies s$  lead to which statement?  
A.  $p \wedge r$    B.  $p \vee s$    C.  $p \vee q$    D.  $r \wedge s$
5. 1 point The predicate logic statement corresponding to, “The product of two negative real numbers is positive.”, assuming a domain of  $\mathbb{R}$ , is  
A.  $\exists x \forall y ((x < 0) \wedge (y < 0) \implies (xy > 0))$    B.  $\exists x \exists y ((x < 0) \wedge (y < 0) \wedge (xy > 0))$   
C.  $\forall x \exists y ((x < 0) \wedge (y < 0) \wedge (xy > 0))$    D.  $\forall x \forall y ((x < 0) \wedge (y < 0) \implies (xy > 0))$
6. 1 point In a direct proof of the statement, “If  $n$  is an odd integer then  $n^2$  is an odd integer.”, using the predicate  $P(n)$  for “ $n$  is an odd integer”, we need to show that  
A.  $\exists n (P(n) \implies P(n^2))$    B.  $\forall n (P(n)) \implies \forall n (P(n^2))$    C.  $\forall n (P(n)) \implies \exists n (P(n^2))$   
D.  $\forall n (P(n) \implies P(n^2))$
7. 1 point Which of the following is *not* a subset of  $S = \{\}$ ?  
A.  $S$    B.  $\{\}$    C.  $\emptyset$    D.  $\{\emptyset\}$

8. 1 point  $S \times T = T \times S$ .  
A. True    **B. False**
9. 1 point If  $R \subseteq S$ , then  $R \times T \subseteq S \times T$ .  
**A. True**    B. False
10. 1 point Given that  $|R \cup S| = |R \cap S|$ , which of the following *need not* be true?  
A.  $R \subseteq S$     B.  $|R| = |S|$     **C.  $S = \emptyset$**     D.  $R - S = \emptyset$
11. 1 point Let  $S_1, S_2, S_3, \dots, S_{100}$  be 100 sets such that  $|S_i| = i$  and  $S_i \subseteq S_{i+1}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq 99$ . What is the cardinality of  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{100} S_i$ ?  
A. 99    **B. 100**    C. 101    D. 102
12. 1 point Given  $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  where  $f(x) = x^2 + 3$ , the range of  $f$  is  
A.  $\mathbb{Z}$     B.  $\mathbb{Z}^+$     **C.  $\mathbb{Z}^+ - \{0, 1, 2\}$**     D.  $\mathbb{Z}^+ \cup \{3\}$
13. 1 point Given  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $f(x) = 3x - 5$ , what is a possible expression for  $f^{-1}(x)$ ?  
A.  $\frac{1}{3x-5}$     **B.  $\frac{x+5}{3}$**     C. does not exist since  $f$  is not a bijection    D. none of the mentioned
14. 1 point The value of  $\sum_{i=1}^{100} (-1)^i$  is  
A. -1    **B. 0**    C. 1    D. 2
15. 1 point The value of  $\sum_{i=1}^{100} (f(i) - f(i-1))$  is  
A.  $f(0)$     B.  $f(1)$     C.  $f(100)$     **D.  $f(100) - f(0)$**
16. 1 point In an inductive proof of the statement, " $P(n) : \sum_{i=1}^n 2^i = f(n)$ ", the inductive step will have to show that  
A.  $f(k+1) = f(k) + 2^k$     **B.  $f(k+1) = f(k) + 2^{k+1}$**     C.  $f(k+1) = f(k+1) + 2$   
D.  $f(k+1) = \sum_{i=1}^k 2^i + \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} 2^i$
17. 1 point If  $G$  is finite, then the number of elements of  $V$  that have odd degree is  
**A. even**    B. odd    C. indeterminate - depends on  $G$     D. infinite
18. 1 point  $G$  is an undirected graph with 26 edges and with the degree of each vertex equal to 4 or more. What is the maximum possible value of  $|V|$ ?  
A. 7    B. 10    **C. 13**    D. 43
19. 1 point If  $G$  is a simple graph with  $n$  vertices, the minimum possible value of  $|E|$  is  
**A. 0**    B. 1    C.  $n - 1$     D.  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$
20. 1 point If  $G$  is a simple graph with  $n$  vertices, the maximum possible value of  $|E|$  is  
A. 0    B. 1    C.  $n - 1$     **D.  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$**

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
11.	12.	13.	14.	15.	16.	17.	18.	19.	20.

## Written problems

Attempt the following 4 problems in the answer sheet. Submit the entirety of this problem sheet with the answer sheet when done.

### 1. Cardinality

[15 points]

For each of the following cases, provide example sets  $A$  and  $B$  that are uncountable and show the value of  $A \cap B$ .

- (a) 5 points  $A \cap B$  is finite.

**Solution:** Let  $A = [0, 1]$ ,  $B = [1, 2]$ . Then  $A \cap B = \{1\}$ .

- (b) 5 points  $A \cap B$  is countably infinite.

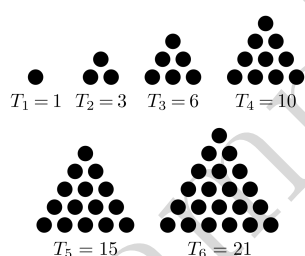
**Solution:** Let  $A = [0, 1] \cup \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $B = [1, 2] \cup \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $A \cap B = \mathbb{Z}$ .

- (c) 5 points  $A \cap B$  is uncountable

**Solution:** Let  $A = B = [0, 1]$ . Then  $A \cap B = [0, 1]$ .

### 2. Sequences and Summation

[15 points]



The first six terms of the sequence  $[T_n]$  are pictured in the figure. Find

- (a) 5 points a recurrence relation for the sequence.  
 (b) 5 points a closed form for the sequence, which does not contain a summation symbol.  
 (c) 5 points the sum of the first  $k$  terms of the sequence, where  $k$  is a positive integer.

**Solution:**

(a)  $T_n = T_{n-1} + n$ ,  $T_1 = 1$

(b) We see that  $T_1 = 1, T_2 = 1 + 2, T_3 = 1 + 2 + 3, T_4 = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4, \dots$   
 Thus,  $T_n = \sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ .

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^k T_i &= \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{i(i+1)}{2} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^k i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^k i \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6} + \frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{12} (k(k+1)(2k+1) + 3k(k+1)) \\
&= \frac{k(k+1)(2k+4)}{12}
\end{aligned}$$

**3. Induction**

[10 points]

- (a) 5 points Use mathematical induction to prove that if a set,  $A$ , has  $n$  elements, where  $n$  is an integer greater than or equal to 2, then it has  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$  subsets of cardinality 2. For example, the set  $A = \{x, y, z\}$  has  $\frac{3 \cdot 2}{2} = 3$  subsets of cardinality 2, which are:  $\{x, y\}, \{x, z\}, \{y, z\}$ .

**Solution:** For ease of notation, let us denote the number of subsets of  $A$  that have cardinality 2 as  $s_n$  where  $|A| = n$ .

Then,  $P(n) : s_n = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ , where  $n \geq 2$ .

*Proof.* **Basis Step** We consider  $P(2)$ .

When  $A$  has 2 elements, it has only 1 subset of cardinality 2, i.e. itself.

According to  $P(2)$ ,  $s_2 = \frac{2 \cdot 1}{2} = 1$ .

$\therefore$  the base case holds.

**Inductive Step** We consider  $P(k+1)$  which claims that  $s_{k+1} = \frac{(k+1)k}{2}$ .

From the IH, we have that  $s_k = \frac{k(k-1)}{2}$ .

Consider a set,  $A$  with  $k$  elements and a set,  $B = A \cup \{e\}$  where  $e \notin A$ .

Then  $|B| = k+1$ . Let us consider its subsets that have cardinality 2.

All the subsets of  $A$  are also subsets of  $B$ .

So,  $s_{k+1}$  is  $s_k$  plus the new formed by adding  $e$ .

The new subsets of cardinality 2 will be those that contain  $e$  and each of the  $k$  elements of  $A$ .

Thus,  $s_{k+1} = \frac{k(k-1)}{2} + k = \frac{k(k+1)}{2}$ .

□

- (b) 5 points Let  $A$  be a set of ordered pairs of integers defined recursively as follows.

**Basis step**  $(0, 0) \in A$

**Recursive step** If  $(a, b) \in A$ , then the following also belong to  $A$ :  $(a, b+1), (a+1, b+1)$ , and  $(a+2, b+1)$

Use structural induction to show that  $a \leq 2b$  whenever  $(a, b) \in A$ .

**Solution:**  $P(n) : (a, b) \in A \implies a \leq 2b$

*Proof.* **Basis Step**  $(a, b) = (0, 0)$  and  $0 \leq 2 \cdot 0$ .  
 $\therefore$  the base case holds.

**Recursive Step** Assume that  $(a, b) \in A$  and  $a \leq 2b$ .  
 We obtain  $(a', b')$  from  $(a, b)$  and show that  $a' \leq 2b'$ .  
 There are 3 cases for  $(a', b')$ .

Case 1:  $(a', b') = (a, b + 1)$   
We know that  $a \leq 2b$ .  
 Then  $a \leq 2b + 2 = 2(b + 1)$   
 $\therefore a' \leq 2b'$

Case 2:  $(a', b') = (a + 1, b + 1)$   
We know that  $a \leq 2b$ .  
 Then  $a + 1 \leq 2b + 2 = 2(b + 1)$   
 $\therefore a' \leq 2b'$

Case 3:  $(a', b') = (a + 2, b + 1)$   
We know that  $a \leq 2b$ .  
 Then  $a + 2 \leq 2b + 2 = 2(b + 1)$   
 $\therefore a' \leq 2b'$

□

#### 4. Graphs

[5 points]

Show that in a simple graph with at least two vertices, there must be two or more vertices of the same degree. For example, in the complete graph,  $K_5$ , the degrees are 4, 4, 4, 4, and 4, and there are 5 vertices with the same degree.

**Solution:** We prove the statement through contradiction. We show that the negation, i.e., all vertices in a simple graph have distinct degrees, leads to a contradiction.

*Proof.* In a simple graph with  $n$  vertices, the minimum and maximum possible degrees are 0 and  $(n - 1)$ .

Consider an assignment (a bijection) between the  $n$  vertices and the possible degrees.

Let  $v_{min}$  be the vertex with degree 0, and  $v_{max}$  be the vertex with degree  $(n - 1)$ .

$v_{min}$  is not connected to any vertex.

$v_{max}$  is connected to every vertex except itself, i.e., it is connected to  $v_{min}$ . ⊥

□

Good luck!

## 1 Some useful formulas and definitions

**Definition 1.1** (Finite Set). Let  $S$  be a set. If there are exactly  $n$  distinct elements in  $S$  where  $n$  is a nonnegative integer, we say that  $S$  is a finite set and that  $n$  is the cardinality of  $S$ . The cardinality of  $S$  is denoted by  $|S|$ .

**Definition 1.2** (Equality of Cardinality). The sets  $A$  and  $B$  have the same cardinality if and only if there is a one-to-one correspondence from  $A$  to  $B$ . When  $A$  and  $B$  have the same cardinality, we write  $|A| = |B|$ .

**Definition 1.3** (Countable Set). A set that is either finite or has the same cardinality as the set of positive integers is called countable. A set that is not countable is called uncountable.

**Definition 1.4** (Mathematical Induction). To prove that  $P(n)$  is true for all positive integers  $n$ , where  $P(n)$  is a propositional function, we complete two steps:

Basis Step: We verify that  $P(1)$  is true.

Inductive Step: We show that the statement  $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$  is true for all positive integers  $k$ .

**Definition 1.5** (Structural Induction). To prove that  $P(n)$  is true for a recursively defined structure, we complete two steps:

Basis Step: Show that  $P(n)$  holds for all elements specified in the basis step of the recursive definition.

Recursive Step: Show that if  $P(n)$  holds for each of the elements used to construct new elements in the recursive step of the definition, then  $P(n)$  holds for these new elements.

**Definition 1.6** (Graph). A graph  $G = (V, E)$  consists of  $V$ , a nonempty set of vertices (or nodes) and  $E$ , a set of edges. Each edge has either one or two vertices associated with it, called its endpoints. An edge is said to connect its endpoints.

**Definition 1.7** (Simple Graph). A graph in which each edge connects two different vertices and where no two edges connect the same pair of vertices is called a simple graph.

**Definition 1.8** (Degree). The degree of a vertex in a graph is the number of edges incident with it, except that a loop at a vertex contributes twice to the degree of that vertex. The degree of the vertex  $v$  is denoted by  $\deg(v)$ .

### Closed Forms of some Common Summations

Sum	$\sum_{k=0}^n ar^k (r \neq 0)$	$\sum_{k=1}^n k$	$\sum_{k=1}^n k^2$	$\sum_{k=1}^n k^3$	$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k,  x  < 1$	$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} kx^{k-1},  x  < 1$
Formula	$\frac{a(r^{n+1}-a)}{r-1}, r \neq 1$	$\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$	$\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$	$\frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}$	$\frac{1}{1-x}$	$\frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$