

## DISCRETE MATHEMATICS

# Midterm Exam T3 2021

**Instruction**

- Write your name
- Read the questions carefully.
- This exam is open book, open notes and open internet. You are however not allowed to get help from other human being on exam via any means. (Ex: Talking to a cat for moral support is allowed.)
- Upload the PDF on canvas by the deadline specified on canvas.
- There are 6 problems. Each problem worths 100 points. 600 points in total. You only need to get 540 points to get full score.
- Attempt all problems, state your reasons *clearly* and *legibly*, because partial credits will be given.

Question	Full Score	Your Score
1	100	
2	100	
3	100	
4	100	
5	100	
6	100	

Total:

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## Useful Formula and Definitions

### Asymptotics

Definiton	Definition	Intuition
Asym. Equal	$f \sim g$ iff $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 1$	$f \underbrace{\equiv}_{x \rightarrow \infty} g$
Big Oh	$f \in O(g)$ iff $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} < \infty$	$f \underbrace{\leq}_{x \rightarrow \infty} g$
Little Oh	$f \in o(g)$ iff $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 0$	$f \underbrace{<}_{x \rightarrow \infty} g$
Little Omega	$f \in \omega(g)$ iff $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \rightarrow \infty$	$f \underbrace{>}_{x \rightarrow \infty} g$
Big Omega	$f \in \Omega(g)$ iff $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} > 0$	$f \underbrace{\geq}_{x \rightarrow \infty} g$
Theta	$f \in \Theta(g)$ iff $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = c, c \neq 0$	$f \underbrace{=}_{x \rightarrow \infty} g$

### Sum

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 = \left( \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^2$$

### Integral

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1} x^{n+1} \quad \text{if } n \neq -1$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln(x)$$

### Quadratic

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

1. Easy stuff(100 points. 20 each.)

(a) Draw truth table for

$$(P \rightarrow \sim R) \wedge (P \vee R)$$

(b) Asymptotic Behavior.  $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 1$ ,  $g(x) = 2x^3$ . Indicate whether the following statements are true or false.

i.  $f \in \Theta(g)$

ii.  $f \in O(g)$

(c) Find the closed form formula for the following sum:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n (x^i + 5y^{i+1})$$

where  $x, y$  are constants.

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(d) Disprove the following theorem.

$x^2 > x$  for all  $x$  in positive integer.

(e) Use integral bound to find the *lowerbound* for the following sum.

$$\sum_{x=1}^n \frac{1}{x^3}$$

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2. Easy Proof

(a) (50 points) For any  $a, b \in I$ ,  $a^2b + ab^2$  is always even.

(b) (50 points) Show that If  $a|b$  and  $b|c$  then  $a|c$ .

Ex:  $a=3$   $b=54$   $c=108$ . 54 is divisible by 3 and 108 is divisible by 54 then 3 divides 108

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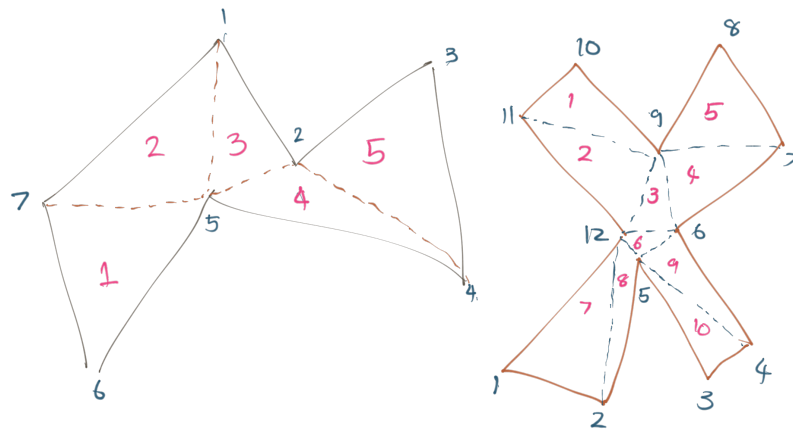
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3. (100 points) Show that  $\forall n \geq 2$

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{4}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n}$$

4. Any  $n$ -gon (loose definition is a closed shape with  $n$  corners) can be triangulated into  $n-2$  triangles.

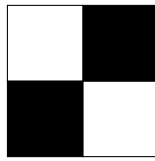
Ex: The figure below shows a 7-gon triangulated into 5 triangles and a 12-gon triangulated into 10 triangles.



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5. (100 points) Consider a  $2 \times 2$  black and white board show below.



Each turn you can pick a **side**(left, right, top, bottom) then flip color of the two squares on that side. Ex: if you pick left then the two squares on the left will be flipped.

Show that no matter what sequence of move you choose, you can't get it to have exactly 1 white square left.



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6. (100 points) Solve the following recurrence. Just find the solution. No need to prove it using induction.:

(a) (30 points)  $T(n) = T(n - 1) + n; T(1) = 2$

(b) (30 points)  $T(n) = 3T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 3; T(1) = 3$

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(c) (40 points)  $T(n) = 18T(n-1) - 77T(n-2); T(0) = 5, T(1) = 47$