

# CSCA67 Final Review

① If  $x > a > 0$ , then  $x^2 > a^2$

Proof:  $x > a$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x > a \\ x^2 > ax \end{array} \right\} \text{ since } x > a > 0$$

$$\therefore x^2 > ax > a^2$$

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② Prove  $\sqrt{2}$  is irrational

Contradiction:  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational

$$\sqrt{2} = \frac{p}{q} \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{2}q = p$$

$$2q^2 = p^2$$

$$q = x_1 \cdot x_2 \cdot x_3 \cdot x_4 \cdots x_n$$

$$p = y_1 \cdot y_2 \cdot y_3 \cdots y_k$$

$$2q^2 = (x_1 \cdot x_2 \cdot x_3 \cdot x_4 \cdots x_n)(x_1 \cdot x_2 \cdot x_3 \cdot x_4 \cdots x_n) \cdot 2$$

$$p^2 = \underbrace{(y_1 \cdot y_2 \cdot y_3 \cdots y_k)}_{2k} \underbrace{(y_1 \cdot y_2 \cdot y_3 \cdots y_k)}_{2n+1 \text{ prime}}$$

blue : concepts

yellow : keys

red : questions

odd  $\neq$  even

contradiction  $\checkmark$

QED.

③ Prove infinite prime number

Contradiction: finite prime number

$$p_1, p_2, p_3 \dots p_n$$

$$\text{consider } x = (p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdot p_3 \cdots p_n) + 1$$

none of our prime number divides

$\therefore x$  has a unique prime factor

$\therefore$  either  $x$  is prime or  $\exists$  other prime factor that not in the list we listed. Contradiction  $\checkmark$

QED.

$$S \rightarrow T \Leftrightarrow \neg S \vee T$$

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④ Prove if  $2^n - 1$  is prime then  $n$  is prime

Contrapositive: If not prime,  $n$  not prime  $\rightarrow 2^n - 1$  not prime

$$\text{Let } n = x \cdot y$$

$$x \geq 2, y \geq 2$$

$$2^n - 1 = 2^{x \cdot y} - 1 = (2^x)^y - 1$$

$$(2^x)^y - 1 = \underbrace{(2^x - 1)}_{\geq 3} \underbrace{[(2^x)^{y-1} + (2^x)^{y-2} + \cdots + (2^x) + 1]}_{\geq 4}$$

$$(2^x)^y - 1 \geq 4 \quad (\text{QED})$$

$$n = x \cdot y$$

$$x \geq 2$$

$$y \geq 2$$

$$(2^x)^y - 1 = \underbrace{(2^x - 1)}_{\geq 3} \underbrace{[(2^x)^{y-1} + (2^x)^{y-2} + \cdots + (2^x) + 1]}_{\geq 4}$$

PHP: If  $n$  items are put into  $m$  containers, with  $n > m$ , then at least one container must contain more than one item.

⑤ Show that given a set of  $n$  positive integers,  $\exists$  a non-empty subset whose sum is divisible by  $n$ .

Let the set be  $\{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, \dots, a_{n-1}, a_n\}$ .

we have 
$$\begin{aligned} s_1 &= a_1 \\ s_2 &= a_1 + a_2 \\ s_3 &= a_1 + a_2 + a_3 \\ s_i &= a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_i \\ s_n &= a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n \end{aligned}$$

Case 1: if any  $s_i$  is divisible by  $n$ , we are done

Case 2: no  $s_i$  divisible by  $n$ . So  $s_i = nq_i + r_i$   $1 \leq i \leq n$   
there are  $n-1$  possible values for  $r_i$

we have  $n$  sum,  $(n-1)$  possible value for " $r$ "  
By PHP, two of the sum have the same remainder.

$$\begin{aligned} s_m &= a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_m = nq_m + r \\ s_n &= a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n = nq_n + r \end{aligned} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} s_m \\ s_n \end{aligned}} \right\} r=r$$

$$s_m - s_n = n(q_m - q_n) \text{ which is divisible by } n. \quad \text{QED}$$

⑥ Chocolate (Strong Induction)

$S(n)$ :  $n \geq 1$ , break  $n$  square require  $n-1$

Base Case:  $S(1)$ ,  $1 \times 1$  requires  $1-1=0$  ✓

Inductive Hypothesis: Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , suppose that  $S(n)$  holds with less than  $n$ .

$\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 < k < n$ ,  $S(k)$ . (not a single  $k$  but for all  $k$  under the restriction)

Inductive Step: prove  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 < k < n \wedge S(k) \rightarrow S(n)$

assume there is a single and we break it into  $a$  squares and  $b$  square,

$0 < a < n$  and  $0 < b < n$  (by IH)

$a$  requires  $a-1$  total:  $(a-1) + (b-1) + 1 = a+b-1$

$b$  requires  $b-1$

$\therefore$  # of total break  $n-1$   
 $S(n)$  holds.

Sum rule:  $P(E \text{ or } F) = P(E) + P(F) - \underbrace{P(E \text{ and } F)}_{\text{overlap.}}$

$P(E|F)$ : the probability of  $E$  depend on previous  $F$