

## Math 100A Homework 4

1. CH 3.9 PROB. 2 You deal a pile of cards, face down, from a standard 52-card deck. What is the least number of cards the pile must have before you can be assured that it contains at least five cards of the same suit?

*Solution.* Let  $n$  be the number of cards that you have, now sort the  $n$  number of cards into 4 different groups that represent the 4 different suits. The division principle says that one group contains  $\lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil$  at least 5 cards of the same suit. Therefore  $\lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil \geq 5$  will be true when there is at least 5 cards of the same suit. This inequality is true when  $\frac{n}{4} > 4$ . Therefore you need  $n > 4 \cdot 4 = 16$ , so when  $n = 17$  you know you have at least  $\lceil \frac{17}{4} \rceil = \lceil 4.25 \rceil = 5$  cards of the same color.

2. CH 3.9 PROB. 6 Given a sphere  $S$ , a great circle of  $S$  is the intersection of  $S$  with a plane through its center. Every great circle divides  $S$  into two parts. A hemisphere is the union of the great circle and one of these two parts. Show that if five points are placed arbitrarily on  $S$ , then there is a hemisphere that contains four of them.

*Solution.* The problem calls for the division of two groups where  $n$  things must go into those two groups. Therefore by the division principle  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$  with at least 4 arbitrary points in one hemisphere. This can be shown by  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \geq 4$  will be true with such conditions when  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil > 3$ . Therefore you need  $n > 3 \cdot 2 = 6$  points so that there is a hemisphere that contains at least 4 of them. When  $n = 7$  the division principle shows  $\lceil \frac{7}{2} \rceil = \lceil 3.5 \rceil = 4$  points on  $S$ .

3. CH 3.10 PROB 6 Five cards are dealt off of a standard 52-card deck and lined up in a row. How many such lineups are there in which all 5 cards are of the same suit?

*Solution.* There are 13 cards in a suit with 4 different possible suits. Therefore there are 4 cases in which the first five cards dealt are of the same suit. This can be shown with the multiplication principle by case 1 where  $13 \cdot 12 \cdot 11 \cdot 10 \cdot 9 = 154440$ . Case 2  $13 \cdot 12 \cdot 11 \cdot 10 \cdot 9 = 154440$ . Case 3  $13 \cdot 12 \cdot 11 \cdot 10 \cdot 9 = 154440$ . Case 4  $13 \cdot 12 \cdot 11 \cdot 10 \cdot 9 = 154440$ . Now by implementing the addition principle and adding the 4 cases together results in  $154440 + 154440 + 154440 + 154440 = 617,760$  possible lineups.

4. CH 4 PROB 6 Suppose  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $a|b$  and  $a|c$ , then  $a|(b+c)$ .

*Solution.* Proof. Suppose  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$  where  $a|b$  and  $a|c$ . By definition 4.4  $b = a \cdot d$  and  $c = a \cdot e$  for some  $d, e \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $(b+c) = (a \cdot d + a \cdot e) = a(d+e)$ .

Therefore  $a \mid (b + c)$  since  $a \mid a(d + e)$ . ■

5. CH 4 PROB 8 . Suppose  $a$  is an integer. If  $5 \mid 2a$ , then  $5 \mid a$ .

*Solution.* Proof. Suppose  $a$  is an integer where  $5 \mid 2a$ . By definition 4.4  $2a = 5 \cdot d$  for some  $d$  that is an integer. Then  $a = \frac{5d}{2}$  and  $5 \mid 2a = 5 \mid (2 \cdot \frac{5d}{2})$  which is the same as saying  $5 \mid 5d$ . Likewise,  $a = 5 \cdot (\frac{d}{2})$

Therefore  $5 \mid a$  since  $5 \mid (5 \cdot (\frac{d}{2}))$ . ■

6. CH 4 PROB 10 . Suppose  $a$  and  $b$  are integers. If  $a \mid b$ , then  $a \mid (3b^3 - b^2 + 5b)$ .

*Solution.* Proof. Suppose  $a, b$  are integers where  $a \mid b$ . By definition 4.4  $b = a \cdot d$  for some  $d$  that is an integer. Then  $(3b^3 - b^2 + 5b) = 3(ad)^3 - (ad)^2 + 5(ad) = 3(a^3d^3) - a^2d^2 + 5ad$ . Thus by factoring  $3(a^3d^3) - a^2d^2 + 5ad$  becomes  $a \cdot (3(a^2d^3) - ad^2 + 5d)$  where  $(3(a^2d^3) - ad^2 + 5d)$  is an integer by definition.

Therefore  $a \mid (3b^3 - b^2 + 5b)$  since  $a \mid a \cdot (3(a^2d^3) - ad^2 + 5d)$ . ■

7. CH 4 PROB 14 If  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $5n^2 + 3n + 7$  is odd. (Try cases.)

*Solution.* Proof. Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  can be divided into two cases for when  $n$  is either even or odd in parity.

Case 1. Suppose  $n$  is even. Then  $n = 2a$  for some  $a$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$  by definition of an even integer. So  $5n^2 + 3n + 7 = 5(2a)^2 + 3(2a) + 7 = 20a^2 + 6a + 7$  which is the same as  $20a^2 + 6a + 7 = 2(10a^2 + 3a + 3) + 1$ . Here  $2(10a^2 + 3a + 3) + 1$  is of the form  $2b+1$  where  $b$  is some integer, then by definition  $2(10a^2 + 3a + 3) + 1$  is odd when  $n$  is an even number.

Case 2. Suppose  $n$  is odd. Then  $n = 2a + 1$  for some  $a$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$  by definition of an odd integer. So  $5n^2 + 3n + 7 = 5(2a + 1)^2 + 3(2a + 1) + 7 = 20a^2 + 26a + 15$  which is the same as  $20a^2 + 6a + 7 = 2(10a^2 + 13a + 7) + 1$ . Here  $2(10a^2 + 13a + 7) + 1$  is of the form  $2b+1$  where  $b$  is some integer, then by definition  $2(10a^2 + 13a + 7) + 1$  is odd when  $n$  is an odd number.

Therefore  $5n^2 + 3n + 7$  is always odd for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  by both cases. ■

8. CH 4 PROB 24 If  $n$  in  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $n \geq 2$ , then the numbers  $n!+2, n!+3, n!+4, n!+5, \dots, n!+n$  are all composite. (Thus for any  $n \geq 2$ , one can find  $n - 1$  consecutive composite numbers. This means there are arbitrarily large “gaps” between prime numbers.)

*Solution.* Proof. Suppose  $n$  in  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $n \geq 2$ . Since  $n! = n(n - 1)!$  the expression  $n! + n$  is equal to  $n(n - 1)! + n = n \cdot ((n - 1)! + 1)$ . Here after factoring out  $n$  from the expression results in  $n \cdot ((n - 1)! + 1) = n \cdot b$ . Then  $b = ((n - 1)! + 1)$  where  $b$  is a natural number by definition. Let  $x = n \cdot ((n - 1)! + 1)$  by definition  $x$  is composite if and only

if  $x = n \cdot ((n-1)! + 1) = n \cdot b$  for  $1 < n, b < x$ . Thus  $((n-1)! + 1) < n \cdot ((n-1)! + 1)$  is true since  $n \geq 2$ . So when  $n = 2$ ,  $((2-1)! + 1) < 2 \cdot ((2-1)! + 1)$  becomes  $2 < 4$ . Thus without loss of generality the same applies to values of  $n$  that are greater than 2.

Therefore the numbers  $n! + 2, n! + 3, n! + 4, n! + 5, \dots, n! + n$  are all composite since  $x = n! + n = n \cdot ((n-1)! + 1)$  where  $x$  is a composite number. ■