

ECE345 HW1

Homework Group #85

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1 Question 1 Examples of this is a second test

a.

Theorem. Give a combinatorial argument to prove that

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} 2^k = 3^n$$

Proof. Proof by combinatorial Argument

imagine you have a bucket with three balls in it, where each ball is either red, green, or blue.

let's say each time you pick one of the balls out of the bucket, you make a dash on a piece of paper in whatever color the ball is, and then put the ball back. Assume that you write the dashes in order so that after repeating this process n times, you end up with a sequence of n dashes in order, where each dash is either red, green, or blue.

since each dash was one of three possible choices, there are 3^n possible sequences that you can draw with this process.

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b. Time complexity: $\mathcal{O}(n)$

Proof. (\Leftarrow) Assume by Contradiction,

(\Rightarrow)

□

2 Question 2 Example Pseudocode

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1: function GALE-SHAPLEY( $E, S$ )
2:   initialize all employers in  $E$  and students in  $S$  to unmatched
3:   while an unmatched employer with at least one student on its preference list remains do
4:     choose such an employer  $e \in E$ 
5:     make offer to next student  $s \in S$  on  $e$ 's preference list
6:     if  $s$  is unmatched then
7:       Match  $e$  with  $s$                                 ▷  $s$  accepts  $e$ 's offer
8:     else if  $s$  prefers  $e$  to their current employer  $e'$  then
9:       Unmatch  $s$  and  $e'$                                 ▷  $s$  rejects  $e'$ 
10:      Match  $e$  with  $s$                                 ▷  $s$  accepts  $e$ 's offer
11:     end if
12:     cross  $s$  off  $e$ 's preference list
13:   end while
14:   report the set of matched pairs as the final matching
15: end function
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3 Question 3

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Figure 1: Example image

4 Question 4 Induction

a.

Theorem. *Some theorem here.*

Proof. Proof by induction

Base Step: When $n = 1$, is true.

Induction Hypothesis: Suppose is true

Induction Step: Consider when

□

b. Time complexity: $\mathcal{O}(n)$

Proof. (\Leftarrow) Assume by Contradiction,

(\Rightarrow)

□

5 Question 5 Probability

a.

Theorem. *Some theorem here.*

Proof. Proof by induction

Base Step: When $n = 1$, is true.

Induction Hypothesis: Suppose is true

Induction Step: Consider when

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b. Time complexity: $\mathcal{O}(n)$

Proof. (\Leftarrow) Assume by Contradiction,

(\Rightarrow)

□

6 Question 6 Graphs, Proof by Contradiction

Proof. Assume by Contradiction,

Assume $d(u, w) + d(w, v) < d(u, v)$.

This implies that there is a path from u to v via w whose total distance is less than the direct distance between u and v .

However, by the definition of $d(u, v)$, it is the shortest distance between u and v . Therefore, no other path, including one through w , can have a smaller distance.

This contradiction arises from our assumption, so the assumption must be false. Hence, we conclude that $d(u, w) + d(w, v) \geq d(u, v)$. \square

7 Question 7 Trees, Proof by induction

Definition: A *stable parent* is defined as a node with two leaves. Let:

- n be the number of nodes,
- l be the number of leaves,
- p be the number of stable parents.

Proof. Proof by induction.

Assume the inductive hypothesis:

$$l_n = p_n + 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad l_{n+1} = p_{n+1} + 1$$

We will now consider two cases:

Case 1: Add a child to a leaf.

- Since the leaf gains a child, while a new leaf is added, we have $l_{n+1} = l_n$.
- Since no node with 1 child gains another child, $p_{n+1} = p_n$.
- Therefore, $l_{n+1} = l_n = p_n + 1 = p_{n+1} + 1$.

Case 2: Add a child to a node with 1 child already.

- Since no leaf stops being a leaf, you have simply added a leaf, so $l_{n+1} = l_n + 1$.
- Since the node with 1 child gains another child, a new stable parent is formed, so $p_{n+1} = p_n + 1$.
- Therefore, $l_{n+1} = l_n + 1 = p_{n+1} + 1 = p_n + 1 + 1$.

Base case: For $n = 1$, we have:

- 1 node implies 1 leaf and 0 stable parents.
- Thus, $l_1 = 1$ and $p_1 = 0$.
- Therefore, $1 = 0 + 1$, which satisfies $l_1 = p_1 + 1$.

Q.E.D.