

# Discrete Structures. CSCI-150. Fall 2013.

## Homework 3.

Due Wed. Sep 25, 2013.

### Problem 1

A *palindrome* is a string whose reversal is identical to the string.

- (a) How many bit strings of length 4 are palindromes?
- (b) How many bit strings of length 5 are palindromes?
- (c) How many bit strings of length 6 are palindromes?
- (d) How many bit strings of length  $n$  are palindromes?

(You can provide two formulas: One when  $n$  is even, and another when it's odd).

### Problem 2

How many bit strings of length 10 either begin with three 0s or end with two 0s?

Answer: 352.

### Problem 3

- (a) How many bit strings of length 10 contain five consecutive 0s?

Answer: 112.

- (b) How many bit strings of length 10 contain either five consecutive 0s or five consecutive 1s?

Answer: 222.