

Discrete Structures. CSCI-150. Spring 2014. Review.

Problem 1

First, prove that $k(k+1)$ is even for any $k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Then, for positive $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, prove that if n is odd then $8 \mid (n^2 - 1)$.

Problem 2

Modular exponentiation. Prove that $3^{23} \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$.

You are allowed to use a calculator only for computing multiplication, division, addition, and subtraction. Particularly, not allowed to use the power function.

Problem 3

Given two numbers,

$$a_0 = 133, \quad a_1 = 129,$$

Find $a_k = \gcd(a_0, a_1)$ and Bezout's coefficients x_k and y_k , i.e. the numbers such that the following equation is satisfied:

$$a_k = \gcd(a_0, a_1) = x_k a_0 + y_k a_1$$

If it's possible, find the multiplicative inverse of a_1 modulo a_0 .

(Note that the multiplicative inverse exists if and only if a_1 and a_0 are relative primes)

Problem 4

Given three sets

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}, \quad B = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \quad C = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\},$$

construct the following functions (or prove that they don't exist):

1. one-to-one function from A to B
2. one-to-one function from C to B
3. onto function from C to B
4. bijection from A to B

Problem 5

Draw the Hasse diagram for divisibility on the set $\{2, 4, 5, 6, 10, 12\}$.

Find the maximal elements. Find the minimal elements.

Construct a topological sort of this poset.

Problem 6

Find two incomparable elements in these posets.

- (a) $(\mathcal{P}(\{0, 1, 2\}), \subseteq)$, where $\mathcal{P}(X)$ denotes the powerset of X .
- (b) $(\{1, 2, 4, 6, 8\}, |)$

Problem 7

Given a multigraph G , does it have an Eulerian cycle? Does it have an Eulerian path? (A drawing of the graph will be supplied).

Problem 8

We define the complement G^c of a graph G as the graph on the same vertex set in which two vertices are joined by an edge if and only if they are not joined by an edge in G . Prove that it cannot happen that both G and G^c are disconnected.

Problem 9

How many leaves does a full 3-ary tree with 100 vertices have?

Problem 10

Use Huffman coding to encode these symbols with given frequencies:

A: 0.05, B: 0.07, C: 0.08, D: 0.10, E: 0.15, F: 0.25, G: 0.30.

What is the average number of bits required to encode a symbol?

Problem 11

By rolling a six-sided die 6 times, a strictly increasing sequence of numbers was obtained, what is the probability of such an event?

Problem 12

A project was implemented by three developers: Alice, Bob, and Carol. They used four languages: C, C++, Python, and JavaScript. The table summarizes what fraction of the code was written by each person in each language.

	C	C++	Python	JavaScript
Alice	5/24	1/8	1/6	0
Bob	1/24	1/8	1/12	0
Carol	0	0	1/12	1/6

You pick a piece of code at random.

- (a) Who is most likely to be the author of that piece of code?
- (b) Who is most likely to be the author given that it was written in JS?
- (c) Who is most likely to be the author given that it was written in C or C++?
- (d) What is the probability that it was written by Bob? Does the probability change if we know that the code is in Python? Are the events *Python* and *Bob* independent or not?
- (e) Are the events *Alice* and *C* independent?
- (f) The same question for *Carol* and *JS*.