#### Problem 0

I certify that I fully read the mathematical background chapter.

#### Problem 1

1.1

$$\varphi(x) = (\neg x_0 \land \neg x_1) \lor (\neg x_0 \land \neg x_2) \lor (\neg x_1 \land \neg x_2).$$

This satisfies the given requirements, as when the majority of the variables are false,  $\varphi(x)$  will be true.

# Problem 2

2.1 An expression  $\psi(n,k)$  such that for every natural numbers  $n,k,\psi(n,k)$  is true if and only if k divides n.

$$\forall_{n,k\in\mathbb{N}} \ \psi(n,k) \wedge (\exists_{m\in\mathbb{N}} (k\times m=n)).$$

2.2 An expression  $\psi(n)$  such that for every natural number n,  $\psi(n)$  is true if and only if n is a power of three.

We first define the following function:

power\_of\_three(n) := 'There is a k such that if k divides n, then either k = 1 or k = 3.

$$\forall_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \ \psi(n) \land (\text{power\_of\_three}(n)).$$

# Problem 3

3.1  $S = \{x \in \{0, 1\}^{100} : \forall_{i \in \{0, \dots, 98\}} x_i = x_{i+1}\}:$ 

This is the set of sequences of length 100 consisting of only 0's or 1's. Therefore, this set contains only two (2) elements, namely  $x = 000 \cdots 0$  and  $x = 111 \cdots 1$ .

3.2  $T = \{x \in \{0,1\}^* : |x| > 1 \text{ and } \forall_{i \in \{2,\dots,|x|-1\}} \forall_{j \in \{2,\dots,|x|-1\}} i \cdot j \neq |x|\}$ :

This is the set of finite length strings such that the string lengths are prime numbers.

# Problem 4

- 4.1 Since there are 64 terms in set S, and only 25 terms in set T, there cannot exists a one-to-one relation between these sets.
- 4.2 S has  $100^3$  distinct elements, while T has  $2^{100}$  distinct elements. A function from T to S is an onto function if and only if for every element  $y \in S$ , there is at least one  $x \in T$  such that f(x) = y. Since  $2^{100} > 100^3$ , |T| > |S|, which means we can map every element in S to an element in T. Therefore, we conclude that there is a one to one function from T to S.
- 4.3 The number of elements in set S is  $2^{10^6}$ , while there are infinite number of functions that can map  $\{0,1\}^{100}$  to  $\{0,1\}$ . Since a function has a unique output, we need at least as many elements in S as the number of elements in T. Therefore, there cannot exist an onto relation from S to T.

# Problem 5

5.1 From the principle of inclusion and exclusion (PIE), we find,

$$|A \cup B \cup C| = |A| + |B| + |C| - |A \cap B| - |A \cap C| - |B \cap C| + |A \cap B \cap C|$$
  
=  $|A| + |B| + |C| - (|A \cap B| + |A \cap C| + |B \cap C| - |A \cap B \cap C|)$  (1)

Since  $(|A \cap B| + |A \cap C| + |B \cap C| \ge |A \cap B \cap C|)$ , we find that

$$(|A\cap B|+|A\cap C|+|B\cap C|-|A\cap B\cap C|)\geq 0.$$

Therefore, Equation 1 reduces to,

$$|A \cup B \cup C| \leq |A| + |B| + |C|$$

5.2 As in the case of Problem 5.1, using the principle of inclusion and exclusion (PIE), we find,

$$|A \cup B \cup C| = |A| + |B| + |C| - |A \cap B| - |A \cap C| - |B \cap C| + |A \cap B \cap C|$$
 (2)

Since the last term on the RHS of Equation 2,  $|A \cap B \cap C| \geq 0$ , we conclude that

$$|A \cup B \cup C| \ge |A| + |B| + |C| - |A \cap B| - |A \cap C| - |B \cap C| \quad \Box$$

Problem 6

- 6.1 If G is a directed acyclic graph (DAG), then it has at least one topological ordering. Since G has n vertices, and G is a DAG, it has n-1 edges. It is given that the path length from u to v is n-1, which implies that the vertex u can be considered as the first vertex in the topological ordering. Then the vertex v is the last vertex in the topological ordering, with the remaining n-2 vertices found along the path from u to v. Therefore, the above unique topological ordering of G contains all the n vertices, the first vertex u has no in-neighbors.
- 6.2 Consider an initially empty set S. Let us remove a vertex v and its neighbors from the given graph G. Since each vertex in G has degree at most 4, v has at most 4 neighbors, which implies that we removed at most 5 vertices from G. Add v to S. Repeat this step until there is no more vertices left in G.

Since we removed at most 5 vertices from G during each step in the above process, and since G contains 1000 vertices, we would have repeated the above step at least 1000/5 = 200 times. During each of these at least 200 steps, we added one vertex to S, which implies that at the end of the above steps, S will contain at least 200 vertices.

Having established that S contains at least 200 vertices, we now claim that no two vertices in S are neighbors of one another. We prove this claim by contradiction as follows. Consider any two arbitrary vertices  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  in S and assume that they are neighbors of one another in G. Let us say, without loss of generality, that we removed  $v_1$ , along with its neighbors, from G first. Since  $v_2$  is a neighbor of  $v_1$ , we would have also removed it from G. Now, according to the steps of building S described in the first paragraph, we only add  $v_1$  to S and not its neighbors. This means if  $v_1$  was added to S, then  $v_2$  was removed from G, but not added to S. Therefore it must be that  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are not neighbors in G.

# Problem 7

7.1  $f(n) = n(\log n)^3$  and  $g(n) = n^2$ .

- f = O(g).
- $g \neq O(f)$ .

7.2  $f(n) = n^{\log n}$  and  $g(n) = n^2$ .

- $f \neq O(g)$ .
- g = O(f).

7.3 
$$f(n) = \binom{n}{[0.2n]}$$
 and  $g(n) = 2^{0.1n}$ .

- $f \neq O(g)$ .
- g = O(f).