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First Examination

CS 330 Discrete Mathematics
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11:25am–12:40pm, Wednesday, September 18, 2013
IT 6C7-1 (sixth floor of IIT Tower, 35th & State)

Print your name and student ID, *neatly* in the space provided below; print your name at the upper right corner of *every* page. Please print legibly.

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Do all five problems in this booklet. *All problems are equally weighted, so do not spend too much time on any one question.*

Show your work! You will not get partial credit if the grader cannot figure out how you arrived at your answer.

Question	Points	Score	Grader
1	20		
2	20		
3	20		
4	20		
5	20		
Total	100		

1. Mathematical Induction.

Suppose we have a statement S_n and we know the following facts:

- (a) S_1 is true.
- (b) If S_n is true, then so is S_{n-1} .
- (c) If S_n is true, then so is S_{2n} .

Prove by induction that S_n is true for all integers $n \geq 1$.

2. Growth rates.

- (a) Does $\binom{2n}{n}$ grow slower than, the same as, or faster than n^n ? Prove your answer.
- (b) Does $n(H_n)^2$ grow slower than, the same as, or faster than $n \log_2 n$? Prove your answer.

3. Algorithms.

- (a) Suppose you compute 2^n using the following recursive function:

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FUNCTION PowerOfTwo(n)
  BEGIN
    IF n=0 THEN RETURN 1;
    ELSE RETURN PowerOfTwo(n-1) + PowerOfTwo(n-1);
  END
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Analyze the number of additions needed to compute 2^n .

- (b) Show how to compute 2^n in $O(n)$ additions.
- (c) Using (b), analyze the number of additions to compute the sum $\sum_{i=0}^k 2^i$.

4. Rules of Sum Product.

Use the rules of sum and product to give combinatorial interpretations of the identity

$$\left[\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \right]^2 = \sum_{k=0}^{2n} \binom{2n}{k} = 2^{2n} = 4^n.$$

(*Hint:* Consider the number of ways to select a subset of a set of n couples. Note that you must give combinatorial interpretations for all four expressions.)

5. Binomial Coefficients.

Find the coefficient of x^2 in each of the following polynomials. You need not simplify powers, factorials, or binomial coefficients.

- (a) $(1 + 2x)^{2013}$
- (b) $(1 - x)^{-2013}$
- (c) $(1 - x^3 + x^9 - x^{27} + \dots)^{2013}$
- (d) $(1 - 2013x)^{2n+1}$