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## Second Examination

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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	20	
2	20	8	
3	20	20	
4	20	10	
5	20	20	
Total	100	78	7/8

## 1. Probability.

A parking lot has a row of  $n$  parking spaces;  $k$  cars arrive and park in random spaces. An SUV, which needs two adjacent empty parking spaces, arrives. What is the probability that the SUV can park? (Hint: The hardest element of this problem was problem 3 of the first exam.)

$$\binom{n}{n-k} = \binom{n}{k} \text{ arrangements of empty spaces}$$

↑ choose  $n-k$  empty from  $n$  spaces

$k+1$  places to insert  $n-k$  empty spaces between  $k$  cars

$$\binom{k+1}{n-k} \text{ arrangements where SUV cannot park}$$

insert  $n-k$  empty into  $k+1$  potential slots

$$|U| = \binom{n}{k}$$

$$|U - \text{SUV}| = \binom{k+1}{n-k}$$

$$P(\text{SUV can't park}) = \frac{\binom{k+1}{n-k}}{\binom{n}{k}}$$

$$P(\text{SUV CAN park}) = 1 - \frac{\binom{k+1}{n-k}}{\binom{n}{k}}$$



## 2. Probabilistic Analysis of Duels

Two people,  $P$  and  $Q$ , stand opposite each other, each with a loaded pistol. Their duel proceeds in rounds: at each round  $P$  fires a single shot at  $Q$ , whereupon  $Q$  dies if hit. If  $P$  misses,  $Q$  fires a single shot at  $P$ , whereupon  $P$  dies if hit. Suppose they have, respectively, probabilities  $p$  and  $q$  of hitting (and thus killing) their opponent and these probabilities remain constant as the duel progresses. Assume that  $P$  fires first and that they never run out of bullets.  $\rightarrow \infty$

- (a) Prove that the probability that  $P$  kills  $Q$  at the  $k$ th shot is  $p[(1-p)(1-q)]^{k-1}$ .  
 (b) Compute the probability that  $P$  survives, killing  $Q$ .  $\rightarrow$  on any round  $k$   
 (c) Compute the expected number of shots that  $P$  fires.

a)  $p[(1-p)(1-q)]^{k-1}$

$\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
 $p$  kills  $Q$  on  $k^{\text{th}}$  shot AND  $p$  misses all previous  $k-1$  shots AND  $q$  misses all previous  $k-1$  shots

RULE OF PRODUCT

COMBINATORIAL  
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b)  $P(P \text{ kills } Q) = \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} p[(1-p)(1-q)]^{k-1}$   $\leftarrow$  Product of probabilities

c) Expected shots by  $P = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k p[(1-p)(1-q)]^{k-1}$   $\leftarrow$  Sum of probabilities

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## 3. Conditional Probability.

From the discussion in the lecture on February 23 we have:

$$P(BC) = \Pr\{\text{breast cancer in one's forties}\} = \frac{40}{10000}$$

$$P(+|BC) = \Pr\{\text{positive mammogram among breast cancer patients}\} = \frac{32}{40}$$

$$P(+) = \Pr\{\text{positive mammogram among all women}\} = \frac{1028}{10000}$$

Use Bayes' theorem to find the conditional probability that a woman in her forties does have breast cancer, given that she had a negative mammogram?

$$P(BC|+) = \frac{P(BC)P(+|BC)}{P(+)}$$

BAYES' THM

$$P(E|F) = \frac{P(E)P(F|E)}{P(F)}$$

$$\begin{cases} P(-) = 1 - P(+) \\ P(-|BC) = 1 - P(+|BC) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(BC|-) &= \frac{P(BC)P(-|BC)}{P(-)} = \frac{P(BC) \cancel{(1 - P(+|BC))}}{1 - P(+)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{40}{10,000} \left(1 - \frac{32}{40}\right)}{1 - \frac{1028}{10,000}} = \frac{\frac{40}{10,000} \left(\frac{8}{40}\right)}{\frac{8,972}{10,000}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{40}{10,000} \left(\frac{8}{40}\right) \left(\frac{10,000}{8,972}\right)$$

$$P(BC|-) = \frac{8}{8,972}$$



## 4. Linear Recurrences

Fill in the ten missing entries in the following table:

$$\phi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\hat{\phi} = \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

Annihilator	Growth Rate	Sample Recurrence
$(E+2)(E-4)$	$\Theta(4^n)$ ✓	$S_n = 2S_{n-1} + 8S_{n-2}$ ✓
$(E-5)$ ✓	$\Theta(5^n)$	$S_n = 5S_{n-1}$ ✓
$(E^2-1)(E-1)^3$ ✓	$\Theta(n^2)$ ✗	$S_n = S_{n-2} + n^2$
$(E-2)^2$	$\Theta(n2^n)$ ✓	$S_n = 4S_{n-1} - 2S_{n-2}$ ✗
<u>does not work</u> ✗	$\Theta(3^{-n}) = \Theta(1/3^n)$	$S_n = \frac{1}{3S_{n-1}}$ ✗
$(E-\phi)(E-\hat{\phi})(E-1)^2$	$\Theta(F_n)$ ✗	$S_n = S_{n-1} + S_{n-2} + n$

↑  
 $F_n$  is the Fibonacci sequence

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$$(E^2-1) = (E-1)(E+1)$$

$$E^2 - 4E + 2$$

$$E^2 - 2E + 1$$

## 5. Divide-and-Conquer Multiplication of Integers

- (a) On March 23 Professor Reingold presented an algorithm to multiply two  $n$ -digit numbers in time  $T(n)$  defined by

$$T(1) = 1$$

$$T(n) = 3T(n/2) + Kn$$

for some value of  $K$  and he showed that  $T(n) = cn + \hat{c}n^{\lg 3} = \Theta(n^{\lg 3}) \approx \Theta(n^{1.57})$ . The TA saw a way to modify the algorithm so that the time required would be described by

$$T(1) = 1$$

$$T(n) = 10T(n/4) + kn$$

where  $k$  is much, much smaller than  $K$ . Reingold said that the TA's algorithm is inferior. Explain why.

- (b) The TA then improved his algorithm so that it would only take time

$$T(1) = 1$$

$$T(n) = 25T(n/8) + 2^Kn$$

What was Reingold's reaction (and why)?

a) let  $n = 4^i$  and  $t_i = T(4^i)$

$$t_i = 10t_{i-1} + k4^i$$

$$(E-10)(E-10)$$

$n = 2^i$ ,  $t_i = T(2^i)$

$$t_i = 10t_{i-2} + k2^i$$

$$(E-2)(E^2-10)$$

$$T(n) = cn + \hat{c}n^{\log 10} \approx \Theta(n^{\log 10}) \geq \Theta(n^{\log 3})$$

The value of  $k$  has far less impact than the coefficient of the recurrence on the time complexity.

b) let  $n = 2^i$  and  $t_i = T(2^i)$

$$t_i = 25t_{i-3} + 2^k 2^i = 25t_{i-3} + 2^{k+i}$$

$$(E-2)(E^3-25)$$

$$T(n) = cn +$$

See back



$$a) \quad T(n) = 10T(n/4) + kn$$

$\uparrow$        $\uparrow$        $\uparrow$   
 $a$        $b$        $f(n)$

$$\frac{a f(n/b)}{f(n)} = \frac{10 kn}{4 kn} = \frac{10}{4} = \frac{5}{2} > 1$$

MASTER THM:  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_4 10}) > \Theta(n^{\log 3})$

$f(n)$  cancels out, so  $k$  does not impact the overall time complexity.

(However, the  $a$  &  $b$  vals of 10 & 4 increase complexity)

$$b) \quad T(n) = 25T(n/8) + 2^k n$$

$\uparrow$        $\uparrow$        $\uparrow$   
 $a$        $b$        $f(n)$

$$\frac{a f(n/b)}{f(n)} = \frac{25(2^k n)}{8 \cdot 2^k n} = \frac{25}{8} > 1$$

MASTER THM:  $T(n) = \Theta(n^{\log_8 25}) < \Theta(n^{\log 3})$

The professor would approve of this algorithm, as it decreases the time complexity