

3) (10 pts) ANL (Summations)

Using the fact that if $x \neq 1$, then $\sum_{i=0}^n x^i = \frac{x^{n+1}-1}{x-1}$, for positive integers n , determine the following summation, in terms of n (assume n is a positive integer):

$$\sum_{i=2n+1}^{3n} 4^i$$

First, notice that we can factor out 4^{2n+1} from each term of our summation. Next, we can re-index the summation by noticing that inside the new sum, the terms are $4^0 + 4^1 + \dots + 4^{n-1}$. Formally, we set $j = i - (2n+1)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=2n+1}^{3n} 4^i &= 4^{2n+1} \sum_{i=2n+1}^{3n} 4^{i-(2n+1)} \\ &= 4^{2n+1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} 4^j \\ &= 4^{2n+1} \left(\frac{4^n - 1}{4 - 1} \right) \\ &= \frac{4^{3n+1} - 4^{2n+1}}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Another way to solve the sum is to take the sum from $i=1$ to $3n$, and subtract from it the same sum from $i=1$ to $2n$. If we proceed in this way, we'll get $\frac{4^{3n+1}-1}{4-1} - \frac{4^{2n+1}-1}{4-1}$, after evaluating both sums. Notice that both terms equal to one-third (first -, second +) cancel out and that we arrive at the same answer as above.

Grading Method #1: 3 pts factor out, 3 pts rewrite sum, 3 pts apply formula, 1 pt final answer (note, final answer can be factored form instead.)

Grading Method #2: 2 pts split sum, 3 pts apply formula first sum, 3 pts apply formula second sum, 2 pts algebra to get to final answer

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Section II B

ALGORITHMS AND ANALYSIS TOOLS

SOLUTION

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1	5	DSN	
2	10	ALG	
3	10	DSN	
TOTAL	25		

You must do all 3 problems in this section of the exam.

Problems will be graded based on the completeness of the solution steps and not graded based on the answer alone. Credit cannot be given unless all work is shown and is readable. Be complete, yet concise, and above all be neat. For each coding question, assume that all of the necessary includes (stdlib, stdio, math, string) for that particular question have been made.