CS 206

Recitation - Section 4

Proof

- 1. **Direct Proof:** $p \to q$. Assume p is True, show q logistically follows.
- 2. Proof by Induction:

Base Case: when n = 1 the proposition is True

Induction Step: **Assume** n = k, the proposition is True. Then, to prove if the proposition holds when n = k, the proposition still holds when n = k + 1.

Conclusion: ...

- 3. **Proof by Contrapositive:** $p \to q \iff \neg q \to \neg p$. Therefore, if we want to prove p implies q, we can just prove the negation of q implies the negation of p.
- 4. **Proof by Contradiction:** Assume $\neg p$ is True, try to find a contradiction. Therefore, because $\neg p$ is False and $\neg p \lor p = T$, p must be True.
- 5. **Proof by Case Analysis:** Divide the problem (condition) into several smaller problems (conditions).

Counting

- Sum Rule
 - If A and B are disjoint sets, |A∪B| = |A| + |B|
 - If A1, A2, ..., An are disjoint sets, |A1∪A2∪...∪An| = |A1| + |A2| + ...+ |An|
- Partition Method
 - To find the size of a set A
 - Partition it into a union of disjoint sets A1, A2, ..., An
 - Use sum rule
- Difference Method
 - To find the size of a set A
 - Find a larger set S such that S = A∪B
 - A and B are disjoint
 - |A| = |S| |B|
- Product Rule
 - $|A \times B| = |A| \cdot |B|$
 - $|A1 \times A2 \times ... \times An| = |A1| \cdot |A2| \cdot ... \cdot |An|$

Problem 1

You have 6 marbles: 3 green, 2 red, 1 orange, that you want to give away to your 6 friends in sequence as you encounter them through out the day. How many different ways can you give out the 6 marbles? Use product rule.

Solution 1

Partition the sequence into subsets.

First set is number of ways you can give out the single orange marble: 6. Assume orange marble has been given to a friend, and now you have 5 friends left for green/red marbles.

Second set is number of ways you can give out 3 green marbles to your 5 remaining friends: 10 (by enumeration). Last set has size 1 since you have 2 friends left and 2 marbles of same color.

Since these sets are independent, then by product rule total number of sequences is 6*10*1=60.

Problem 2

How many bit strings of length 8 either start with '1' or end with '00'?

Solution 2

```
A = {8-bit strings start with '1'}
B = {8-bit strings end up with '00'}
Since A and B are not disjoint sets,
|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|
|A| = 2^7
|B| = 2^6
|A \cap B| = 2^5
|A \cup B| = 2^7 + 2^6 - 2^5
```

Problem 3

- Amateur station call signs in the US take the format of one or two letters (the prefix), then a numeral (the call district), and finally between one and three letters (the suffix). Assume all letters are uppercase and the numeral is a digit 0-9.
 - How many amateur station call signs are possible that contain at least four letters without a repeat letter?

Solution 3

- Case 1 1+3 10x26x25x24x23
- Case 2 2+2 10x26x25x24x23
- Case 3 2+3 10x26x25x24x23x22 ... and sum