

# Final Exam

RBS, Discrete Structures

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## Problem 1

By  $U$  we denote the set of all positive integers between 1 and 120. This is our *universe* in which we define several subsets:

$$\begin{cases} A = \{x \in U \mid 2 \mid x\}, \\ B = \{x \in U \mid 3 \mid x\}, \\ C = \{x \in U \mid 5 \mid x\}, \\ X = \{x \in U \mid 2 \mid x \vee 3 \mid x\}, \\ Y = \{x \in U \mid (3 \mid x \wedge 5 \mid x) \vee \neg(2 \mid x)\}. \end{cases}$$

**(A)** Express  $X$  using the sets  $A, B, C$  (using set union  $V \cup W$ , set intersection  $V \cap W$ , set complement  $\bar{V}$  operations).

**(B)** Express  $Y$  using the sets  $A, B, C$  in a similar way.

**(C)** Find  $|X|$  - the size of the set  $X$ .

**(D)** Find  $|Y|$  - the size of the set  $Y$ .

## Problem 2

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be sets with sizes  $|A| = 8$  and  $|B| = 5$  and  $|A \cap B| = 3$ .

Calculate the largest and the smallest possible values for each of the following set sizes:

**(A)**  $|A \cup B|$ .

**(B)**  $|A \times (B \times B)|$ .

**(C)**  $|\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(A \cap B))|$  - the powerset of a powerset of  $A \cap B$ .

**(D)**  $|A \oplus B|$  - the symmetric difference of the sets  $A$  and  $B$ .

## Problem 3

Consider the following recurrent sequence:

$$\begin{cases} a_0 = 3 \\ a_1 = 4 \\ a_{n+2} = 5a_{n+1} - 6a_n, \text{ if } n \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

Assume that  $b_n$  is another sequence satisfying the recurrence rule

$$b_{n+2} = 5b_{n+1} - 6b_n, \text{ if } n \geq 0$$

(The first two members  $b_0, b_1$  are not known.)

**(A)** Write the first 6 members of this sequence  $(a_1, \dots, a_6)$ .

**(B)** Write the characteristic equation for this sequence.

**(C)** Write the general expression for an arbitrary sequence  $b_n$  satisfying the recurrent expression as a sum of two geometric progressions (you can leave unknown coefficients in your answer; just explain which ones they are).

**(D)** Write the formula to compute  $a_n$  (that would satisfy the initial conditions  $a_1 = 3$  and  $a_2 = 4$ ).

## Problem 4

Consider this code snippet in Python:

```
n = 1000
sum = 0
for i in range(1, n*n+1):
    for j in range(1, i+1):
        sum += i % j
```

And a similar one in R:

```
n <- 1000
sum <- 0
for (i in 1:(n*n)) {
  for (j in 1:i) {
    sum <- sum + i %% j
  }
}
```

**(A)** Explain in human language what this algorithm does.

**(B)** Denote by  $f(n)$  the number of times the variable `sum` is incremented. Write the Big-O-Notation for  $f(n)$ . Find a function  $g(n)$  such that  $f(n)$  is in  $O(g(n))$ . (If there are multiple functions, pick the one with the slowest growth.)

**(C)** Express the function  $f(n)$  precisely - how many times `sum` is incremented in terms of variable  $n$ .

## Problem 5

Let  $A$  be the set of all positive divisors of the number 120 (including 1 and 120 itself).

**(A)** What is the multiplication of all numbers in the set  $A$ ?

**(B)** Express this number as the product of prime powers.

## Problem 6

Define the following binary relationship on the set of integer numbers  $\mathbb{Z}$ :

We say that  $aRb$  (numbers  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  are in the relation  $R$ ) iff

$$\begin{cases} a - b \equiv 0 \pmod{11} \\ a - b \equiv 0 \pmod{12} \\ a - b \equiv 0 \pmod{13} \end{cases}$$

Item	Statement	True or False?
(A)	$R$ is reflexive	
(B)	$R$ is symmetric	
(C)	$R$ is antisymmetric	
(D)	$R$ is transitive	
(E)	$aRb$ iff $a = b$	

For all items where you answered FALSE, specify a counterexample (values for some numbers that would make the condition true, but the conclusion false). If the statement was true, write "none".

(A) counterexample \_\_\_\_

(B) counterexample \_\_\_\_

(C) counterexample \_\_\_\_

(D) counterexample \_\_\_\_

(E) counterexample \_\_\_\_

### Problem 7

Four people  $A, B, C, D$  each has his own hat. After the meeting they leave their building in a hurry, everyone grabs some hat at random so that all  $4!$  permutations of the hats have equal probabilities.

Let the random variable  $X$  denote the number of hats that were picked up correctly. (For example, if the hat assignment is this:  $(A \rightarrow A, B \rightarrow B, C \rightarrow D, D \rightarrow C)$ , then  $X = 2$ , because two people got their own hats.)

(A) Find  $E(X)$  - the expected value of  $X$ .

(B) Find  $V(X)$  - the variance of  $X$ .

### Problem 8

There was a crooked man who had a crooked 1 euro coin. On lucky days it would flip the *heads* with probability  $p = \frac{2}{3}$ , and the *tails* with probability  $p = \frac{1}{3}$ , but on unlucky days it was the opposite ( $p(\text{heads}) = \frac{1}{3}$ , but  $p(\text{tails}) = \frac{2}{3}$ ). There were equal probabilities of  $\frac{1}{2}$  for lucky and unlucky days.

One morning he flipped the coin 5 times and altogether got three *heads* and two *tails*.

Let us introduce the following events:

- $E$  (evidence): Five coin tosses result in three *heads* and two *tails*.
- $H$  (hypothesis): The current day is lucky.

- (A) Find  $P(E|H)$  - the conditional probability of  $E$  given that the day is lucky.  
 (B) Find  $P(E|H) \cdot P(H)$  - the probability that the day is lucky and  $E$  happens.  
 (C) Find  $P(E|\bar{H})$  - the conditional probability of  $E$  given that the day is not lucky.  
 (D) Find  $P(E|\bar{H}) \cdot P(\bar{H})$  - the probability that the day is unlucky and  $E$  happens.  
 (E) Find  $P(E)$  - as the sum of two probabilities ( $E$  happened on a lucky day and also  $E$  happened on unlucky day).  
 (F) Find the conditional probability  $P(H|E)$  - the likelihood that the crooked man has a lucky day, given that the event  $E$  has happened.

### Problem 9

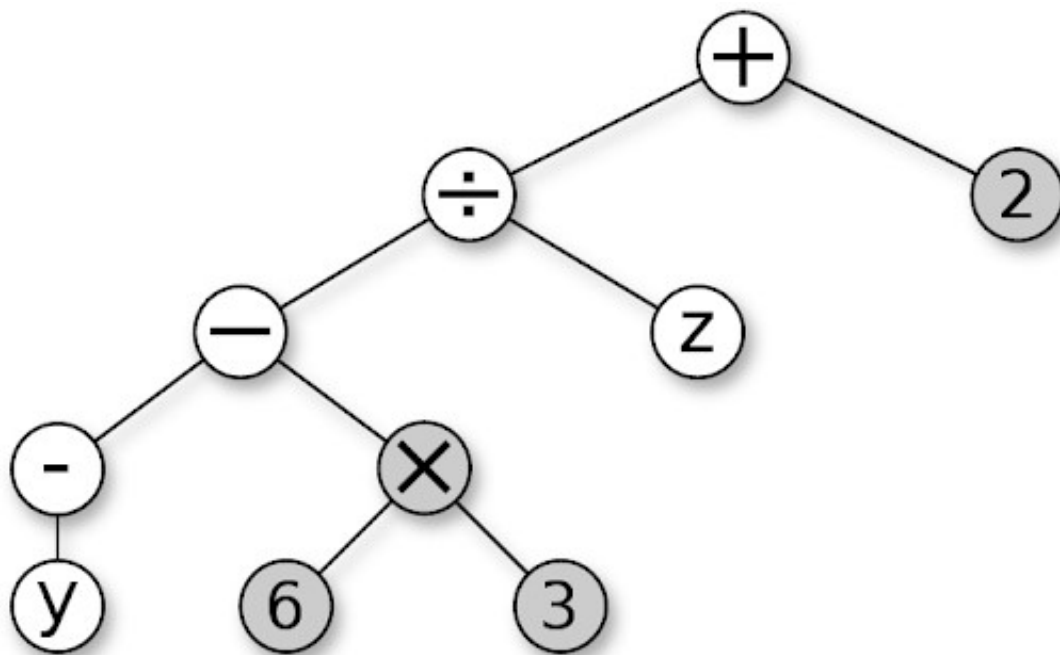


Figure: A syntax tree for an expression

The syntax tree describes an algebraic expression (please note the difference between the unary minus that flips the value of the variable  $y$  and the binary minus that subtracts the two subexpressions:  $-y$  and  $6 \times 3$ ).

- (A) Write the preorder DFS traversal of this tree.  
 (B) Write the inorder DFS traversal of this tree.  
 (C) Write the postorder DFS traversal of this tree.

*Note.* In all 3 answers denote the unary minus with the tilde sign  $\sim$ , but the regular/binary minus with  $-$ .

### Problem 10

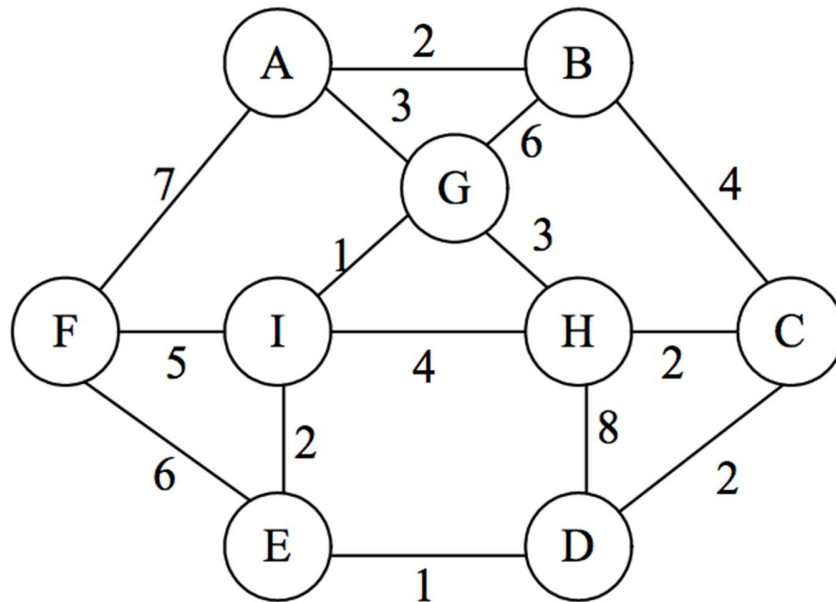


Figure: Graph with 9 vertices

Run the Prim's algorithm on the following weighted graph, start growing the tree from the vertex  $I$ .

Step	Newly Added Edge
<b>Step 1</b>	
<b>Step 2</b>	
<b>Step 3</b>	
<b>Step 4</b>	
<b>Step 5</b>	
<b>Step 6</b>	
<b>Step 7</b>	
<b>Step 8</b>	

What is the total weight of the obtained Minimum Spanning Tree? \_\_\_\_\_