

**CS 310-0**  
**Homework Assignment No. 5a**  
Due Fri 2/18/2000

1. Find the number of diagonals in a regular  $n$ -side polygon.
2. Find the number of integer solutions to the following equation

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 16$$

with each one of the following restrictions:

- (a)  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0$ .
  - (b)  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 > 0$ .
  - (c)  $1 \leq x_1, 2 \leq x_2, 3 \leq x_3, 4 \leq x_4$ .
3. Find the number of integer solutions to the following equation
$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 12$$
with the restrictions:  $0 \leq x_1, 0 \leq x_2 < 6, 0 \leq x_3 < 10$ .
  4. A group of people are in a meeting. Of this group, 26 people are married, 29 are from Illinois, 30 are male, 9 are married and from Illinois, 7 are married and male, and 8 are from Illinois and male. What is the minimum possible number of people in that meeting?
  5. In a class the students must choose 3 out of 4 subjects  $A, B, C, D$  to write an essay about. Subject  $A$  is chosen by 21 students, subject  $B$  by 18, subject  $C$  by 15 and subject  $D$  by 12. How many students are there in the class?
  6. Let  $A$  be the set of all 8-digit numbers in base 3 (so they are written with the digits 0, 1, 2 only), including those with leading zeroes such as 00120010. The *Hamming distance* between two elements of  $A$  is the number of places where they differ, for instance the Hamming distance between 11201001 and 11020020 is 5, because they differ in the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 7th and 8th places.
    - (a) Find the number of elements in  $A$ .
    - (b) Given an element  $a \in A$ , find the number of elements in  $A$  whose Hamming distance to  $a$  is exactly 3.
    - (c) Given an element  $a \in A$ , find the number of elements in  $A$  whose Hamming distance to  $a$  is 3 or less.
    - (d) Prove that given 12 elements from  $A$ , two of them coincide in at least 2 places.