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MidTerm(05-Mar): CSC-2259: Discrete Structures, Sp 2020

Your answers must be to the point. Total = 20; marks for each question is shown in [].

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1. Complete the sentence below. [2+2+2]

We study Discrete Structure so that:

- (a) we can determine efficiency of a program by ..counting..... #(tests and assignments) in the program's executions for different inputs, and
- (b) we can write better, i.e., clean and ..more... ..efficient..... programs.

2. Put a circle around the best (most efficient and most logical) code among the ones below. [2]

max = x;

if (x < y) max = y;

max = x;

if (x <= y) max = y;

max = x;

if (max < y) max = y;

Give the best code to compute max of x and y. [2]

if (x < y) max = y;
else max = x;

3. Give the details to show $S = 1 + 2x + 3x^2 + \dots + nx^{n-1} = (1-x^n)/(1-x)^2 - nx^n/(1-x)$, when $x \neq 1$. [8]

$$xS = x + 2x^2 + 3x^3 + \dots + nx^n$$

$$S - xS = 1 - x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^{n-1} - nx^n$$

$$S(1-x) = \frac{1-x^n}{1-x} - nx^n$$

$$S = \frac{1-x^n}{(1-x)^2} - \frac{nx^n}{1-x}$$

4. Consider the code below to test $H = W$, where H and W are binary arrays of length n .

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for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    if (H[i] != W[i]) return(false);
return(true);
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Complete the following sentences. [2+2+2+2]

(a) #((H, W)-pairs giving true-return) = 2^n

(b) #((H, W)-pairs giving false-return) = $4^n - 2^n$

(c) #((H, W)-pairs that give false-return value in m th iteration, $1 \leq m \leq n$) = $2^m \cdot 4^{n-m}$

(d) The average #iterations for all (H, W)-pairs in simplified form = $2(1 - (\frac{1}{2})^n)$

5. Complete the following sentences. [(2+2)+2+2+2]

(a) #((H, W)-pairs such that $H \subseteq W$) = $\sum_{m=0}^n C(n, m) \cdot 2^{n-m} = 3^n$, by Binomial Theorem.

(b) #((H, W)-pairs such that $H \cap W = \emptyset$) = 3^n

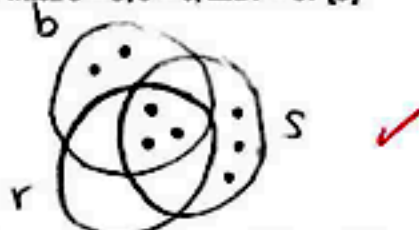
(c) For a fixed H of size m , $0 \leq m \leq n$, #(W disjoint from H) = $C(n, m) \cdot 2^{n-m}$

(d) #((H, W)-pairs such that $H \cap W = \emptyset$ and $|H| = m$) = $C(n, m) \cdot 2^{n-m}$

6. Give the formula for maximum #(big, sour, and ripe fruits), when we have $b = \#(\text{big fruits})$, $s = \#(\text{sour fruits})$, and $r = \#(\text{ripe fruits})$. [4]

$$\min(b, s, r)$$

Give a Venn diagram to explain the above answer when $b = 5$, $s = 6$, and $r = 3$. [3]



Now assume $\#(\text{fruits}) = 7$. Complete the Venn-diagram below to show minimum #(big, sour, and ripe fruits) = 0. [3]



7. Complete the sentences below describing the given situations; keep the sentences short and clear. [2+2+2]

- (a) $H = W$: I have exactly what I want.
 (b) $|H| = |W|$: I have the same number of things as the number of things I want.
 (c) $H \subseteq W$: I have what I want.
nothing that I don't want.

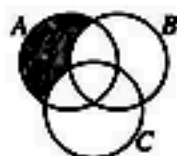
Express the following situations using set notation (avoid the use of complement as much as possible). [2+2+2]

- (d) I don't have something(s) that I want:
 (= I have nothing that I want.) $H \cap W = \emptyset$
 (e) I have every thing that I want: $H \supseteq W$
 (f) I have every thing that I do not want: $H \supseteq W^c$

8. Complete the sentences below. Assume $S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$. [12]

- (a) $C(n, m) = \#(\text{ } m \text{ -subsets of } S) = \#(\text{binary strings of length } n \text{ containing exactly } m \text{ ones})$.
 (b) $C(n, m) = C(n, n-m)$ because the m -subsets of S can be matched with $n-m$ -subsets of S via complements.
 (c) $C(n, 0) + C(n, 1) + \dots + C(n, n) = \#(2^n \text{ subsets of } S) = \#(2^n \text{ binary strings of length } n) = 2^n$.
 (d) $m \cdot C(n, m) = \text{Total size of all } m \text{ -subsets of } S$.
 (e) $0 \cdot C(n, 0) + 1 \cdot C(n, 1) + 2 \cdot C(n, 2) + 3 \cdot C(n, 3) + \dots + n \cdot C(n, n) = \frac{\#(\text{items in } S) \cdot \#(\text{subsets of } S \text{ containing a given item})}{\text{size of all subsets}} = n \cdot 2^{n-1}$ because each item belongs to 2^{n-1} subsets.

9. In the Venn-diagram below, shade the relevant area for the set of all items that belong to A and not to any of B and C . On the rightside, give the size of that subset in terms of $|A|$, ..., $|A \cap B|$, ..., and $|A \cap B \cap C|$. [2+4]

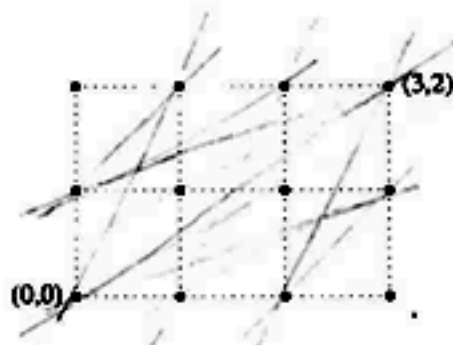


$$|A| - |A \cap B| - |A \cap C| + |A \cap B \cap C|$$

Now give the formula for the size of the set of all items that belong to exactly one of A , B , and C . [4]

$$|A| + |B| + |C| - 2|A \cap C| - 2|A \cap B| - 2|B \cap C| + 3|A \cap B \cap C|$$

10. Show clearly one line with each positive slope that contains exactly 2 of the grid points in the 3×4 grid below. Also, show the number of such lines for each slope. (We are not talking here about line segments, but about the whole straight-lines extending to infinity.) [5+5]



#(slope 1): 2

#(slope 2): 3

#(slope 1/2): 4

✓ #(slope 2/3): 1

#(slope 1/3): 2

11. Given integer $n \geq 0$, the code below efficiently computes $c[m] = C(n, m)$, $0 \leq m \leq n$ using a recursive formula for $C(n, m)$.

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1. int[] c = new int[n+1];
2. c[0] = 1;
3. for (int m = 1; m <= n; m++)
4.     c[m] = c[m-1] * (n-m+1) / m;
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- (a) Give #(arithmetic and assignment operation in all iterations of line 4). [5]

- (b) Explain why rewriting line 4 as $c[m] = (n-m+1) / m * c[m-1]$ does not work. [5]

If $(n-m+1)$ is not divisible by m , $(n-m+1)/m$ will round to an integer, causing $c[m]$ to equal an incorrect value.

12. BONUS. Assume we have n straight lines L_1, L_2, \dots, L_n which give the maximum number of points of intersections. Complete the following sentences/equations. [2+2+2+2+2]

- (a) Then any three of those lines form a triangle because exactly 2 lines go through a point of intersection and there are no parallel lines.

- (b) The #(ways choosing 3 lines out of L_1, L_2, \dots, L_n) = $C(n, 3)$.

- (c) Thus, #(triangles formed by L_1, L_2, \dots, L_n) = $C(n, 3)$.

- (d) For $n = 18$, there will be 816 triangles.

$$C(18, 3) = \frac{18 \cdot 17 \cdot 16}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 3 \cdot 17 \cdot 16 = 816$$

- (e) If the lines L_i do not give the maximum number of intersection points, then #(triangles formed by L_1, L_2, \dots, L_n) is

indeterminate $< C(n, 3)$