

**Solution Long Quiz #4.1 (23-Apr): CSC-2259: Discrete Structures, Sp 2020**

Your answers must be to the point. Total = 50; marks for each question is shown in [ ].

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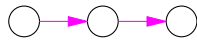
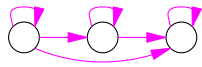
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1. Answer the following questions on linear orders on a set  $X$ .

- (a) State the additional condition that a partial order  $R$  must satisfy in order to be a linear order. [2]

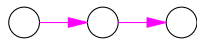
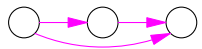
For each  $x \neq y$ , exactly one of  $(x, y)$  and  $(y, x)$  is in  $R$ .

- (b) For  $|X| = 3$ , show the structure of a linear order, that of its Hasse-diagram, and #(linear orders on  $X$ ). [3+3+3]



#(linear orders on  $X$ ) = 6.

- (c) Repeat (b) for a strict linear order. [1+1+1]



#(strict linear orders on  $X$ ) = 6.

- (d) Give a subset  $X = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\} \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, 10\}$  such that the "divide"-relation on  $X$  is a linear order. [3]

{1, 2, 4, 8}

- (e) What is the maximum #(links, including loops) for a partial order on  $X$ , when  $|X| = n$ ? Is it true that a partial order is a linear order if and only if #(links, including loops) is maximum? How can we use it to determine from the relation-matrix  $R$  of a partial-order whether it is a linear order or not? [3+2+3]

Max. #(links) =  $n(n+1)/2$ . Yes. We count #(ones in  $R$ ) and check whether this equals  $n(n+1)/2$  or not.

- (f) **BONUS.** Let  $R$  be the relation-matrix of a linear order on  $X$ ,  $|X| = n$ . What is wrong with the argument below. [3]

For every  $0 \leq i < j < n$ , we have  $R[i][j] + R[j][i] = 1$ , i.e.,  $(R[i][j], R[j][i]) = (0, 1)$  or  $(1, 0)$ , i.e., 2 choices for each of  $n(n-1)/2$  pairs  $(R[i][j], R[j][i])$ . Also, each  $R[i][i]$  is 1. Thus, there are  $2^{n(n-1)/2}$  many linear orders.

The count  $2^{n(n-1)/2}$  includes all linear orders and also some reflexive, anti-symmetric, and non-transitive relations when  $|X| = n \geq 3$ . (For  $n = 3$ , there are 2 such relations, both of which include a cycle of length 3).

2. Answer the following questions on probability.

- (a) Show the sample space  $S$  of the experiment "three tosses of a coin". [3]

{HHH, HHT, HTH, THH, HTT, THT, TTH, TTT}.

- (b) Show the subset of  $S$  in (a) for the event  $E_1 =$  "at least 2 heads". [3]

{HHH, HHT, HTH, THH}.

- (c) If  $\text{Prob}(H) = 2/3$  and the tosses in the experiment in (a) are independent, then what is  $\text{Prob}(HHT)$ ? [2]

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- (d) Give  $\text{Prob}(E_1)$  in (b) based on  $\text{Prob}(H) = 2/3$ ; show details. [3]

8/27 + 4/27 + 4/27 + 4/27 = 20/27.

- (e) State the sum-rule for probabilities. [3]

$\text{Prob}(E_1 \cup E_2) = \text{Prob}(E_1) + \text{Prob}(E_2) - \text{Prob}(E_1 \cap E_2)$ .

- (f) State the complement event of  $E_1$  in (b) in English without using "not". Also, verify the complement-rule using the events  $E_1$  and  $E_1^c$  based on  $\text{Prob}(H) = 2/3$ . (Show details of computing  $\text{Prob}(E_1^c)$ .) [1+3]

$E_1^c =$  at most 1 head,  $\text{Prob}(E_1^c) = 3 \cdot (2/3) \cdot (1/3)^2 + (1/3)^3 = 7/27 = 1 - 20/27$ .

- (g) Consider the spinning wheel discussed in the class with  $\text{Prob}(3) = 1/3 = \text{Prob}(8)$  and  $\text{Prob}(4) = 1/6 = \text{Prob}(5)$  when we turn the wheel once. Now consider the outcomes  $(s_1, s_2, s_3)$  in the experiment of three independent turns of the wheel.

- (g.1) Show the sample points  $(s_1, s_2, s_3)$  for the event  $E_{1,2}:$  " $s_1 = 3 = s_2$ ". [2]

{(3,3,3), (3,3,4), (3,3,5), (3,3,8)}

- (g.2) Show the details in computing  $\text{Prob}(E_{1,2})$ . [2]  $2 \cdot (1/3)^3 + 2 \cdot (1/3)^2(1/6) = 6/54 = 1/9$

- (g.3) Consider the event  $E_{1,2} \cup E_{2,3}:$  " $s_1 = 3 = s_2$  or  $s_2 = 3 = s_3$ ". Compute  $\text{Prob}(E_{1,2} \cup E_{2,3})$  using sum-rule. [3]

$\text{Prob}(E_{1,2}) + \text{Prob}(E_{2,3}) - \text{Prob}(E_{1,2} \cap E_{2,3}) = 2/9 - 1/27 = 5/27$