

Long Quiz #1 (06-Feb): CSC-2259: Discrete Structures, Sp 2020

Your answers must be to the point. Total = 100; marks for each question is shown in [].

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

(a) $C(n, m) = \#(\text{ }^m\text{-subsets of } S) = \#(\text{binary strings of size } n \text{ containing exactly } m \text{ ones})$.

(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) $C(n, 0) + C(n, 1) + \dots + C(n, n) = \#(\text{all subsets of } S) = \#(\text{all binary strings of size } n) = 2^n$.

(d) $m \cdot C(n, m) = \text{Total size of all } m\text{-subsets of } S$.

(e) $0 \cdot C(n, 0) + 1 \cdot C(n, 1) + 2 \cdot C(n, 2) + 3 \cdot C(n, 3) + \dots + n \cdot C(n, n) = n \cdot 2^{n-1}$.

Compute the value of the sum on leftside of (e) by showing below all relevant subsets and their sizes for $n = 4$. List the subsets systematically by size (no points otherwise). Also, show the value of the sum. [6+2]

$C(4,0)$ $C(4,1)$ $C(4,2)$ $C(4,3)$ $C(4,4)$

\emptyset
1
2
3
4
12
13
14
23
24
34
123
124
134
234
1234

$$\text{Sum} = C(0) + 1 \cdot C(1) + 2 \cdot C(2) + 3 \cdot C(3) + 4 \cdot C(4) = 32$$

Sum = 32

Complete the sentences below. [4]

(g) The item 4 in S is counted in the size of 2^3 many subsets (give the number as a power of 2) in your list of subsets above. They are the subsets of S containing item 4.

For each item in $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, each item is counted in the size of the same number of subset.

Thus, the sum in (e) equals $\#(\text{items in } S) \cdot \#(\text{subsets of } S \text{ containing a given item}) = n \cdot 2^{n-1}$.

2. Give a detailed efficient code to compute all $C(n, m)$ for a fixed $n \geq 1$. Use an array $c[]$ to store the values of $C(n, m)$, $0 \leq m \leq n$. [10]

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int[] c = new int[n+1];  
c[0] = 1;  
for (int m = 1; m <= n; m++)  
    c[m] = c[m-1] * (n-m+1) / m;
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Also, give # (arithmetic and assignment operations in the body) per loop-iteration and for all iterations. [3+3]

per loop-iteration: 6 for all iterations: $6n$

3. Consider the 4×3 grid-points shown below, where one can only go to right (R) and to north (N) from a grid point. A step here means going from one grid point to the next grid point to its right or to its north.

(a) Show all paths in a systematic order from (0,0) to (3,2) (no points otherwise) as strings of R and N on the rightside of the figure below. [10]



Paths from (0,0) to (3,2):

RRRNN
RRNRN
RRNNR
RNRNR
RNNRR
NRNRN
NRNRR
NRRNR
NRRRR

11

8

3

8+2

10

- (b) Consider the general case, where $c = \#(\text{columns})$ and $r = \#(\text{rows})$. Show $\#(\text{paths from } (0,0) \text{ to } (c-1, r-1))$ in the form of $C(?, ?)$. [2]

$$C(c+r-2, c-1)$$

- (c) Verify your answer in (b) in the case of considered in (a). [2]

$$C(4+3-2, 4-1) = C(5, 3) = 10$$

- (d) Explain clearly where the following arguments went wrong. [4]

- (a) Any two points chosen out of the 12 points in the above grid give a line.
 (b) There are $C(12, 2) = 55$ ways of choosing two points.
 (c) Thus, there are 55 lines each containing exactly 2 grid points.

(c) is incorrect. The line may not contain exactly 2 grid points.

For instance, a vertical line at $(0,0)$ contains $(0,1)$ and $(0,2)$, which is a total of 3 grid points. That means some lines were overcounted.

- (e) Find out the number of lines that contain exactly 2 grid points. Show one line with each possible positive slopes. (Hint: group lines together with the same slope and count them). [10]

$\#(\text{vertical slope}): \text{none}$

$\#(\text{slope } 0): \text{none}$

$\#(\text{slope } 1): 2$

$\#(\text{slope } 2): 3$

$\#(\text{slope } \frac{1}{2}): 2$

$\#(\text{slope } \frac{2}{3}): 2$

$\#(\text{slope } \frac{3}{2}): 1$



$\#(\text{positive slope}): 2+3+2+1 = 10$

$\#(\text{lines contain exactly 2 grid points}) = 2 \times \#(\text{positive slope}) = 20$

4. Consider $n \geq 1$ distinct straight lines L_1, L_2, \dots, L_n . Let P_{ij} be the intersection point of L_i and L_j , if they are not parallel. Suppose $k = \#(\text{intersection points of } L_1 \text{ to } L_n)$

- (a) For $n = 4$, show all possible ways we can get exactly $k = 0$ intersection points (describe in English if possible; otherwise draw diagrams). Only when all lines are parallel.

- (b) Repeat (a) for $k = 1$. Only when all lines intersect at the same point.

- (c) Repeat (a) for $k = 2$. There is no possible way.

- (d) Repeat (a) for $k = 3$.

way #1: 3 lines are parallel and 1 line intersects all of them

way #2:



- (e) Repeat (a) for $k = 4$.

way #1:



way #2:



(f) Repeat (a) for $k = 5$.

(3)

(g) Repeat (a) for $k = 6$.

(3)

Only when none of the lines are parallel
and all intersection points contain only
2 lines.

Q5. general

Maximum # of fruit in basket
that are big and sour = $\min(b, s)$ ✓

Minimum # of fruit in basket
that are big and sour = $\max(0, b - f + s)$ ✓

(11)

when $b=6, s=10$ and $f=15$

max # of big and sour = $\min(6, 10) = \boxed{6}$ ✓

min # of big and sour = $\max(0, 6 - 15 + 10) = \max(0, 1) = \boxed{1}$ ✓

parallel

4

311

212

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1. *Introduction*

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1

2

24

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2*

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A hand-drawn sketch of a coordinate system. A vertical line and a diagonal line intersect at a point labeled z^* .

 z^*

inter
sections

0

3

4

3

1

5

4

6