

Assignment 4:

Q4. (5 points) Alice and Bob play a game starting with a pile of n sticks. Each player on their turn can remove 1, 2 or 3 sticks from the pile. The last player to remove a stick wins. Alice goes first. Prove by induction that Alice has a winning strategy if and only if $4 \nmid n$.

- A winning strategy is a rule that a player can follow which guarantees they will win no matter what decisions their opponent makes. You may assume, without proof, that either Alice or Bob has a winning strategy.
- You may also assume without proof that any integer n can be written as $n = 4q + r$ where $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $r \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$.

MATH 135: Lecture 11

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- Thursday 30 September:
 - **Look at WA4 !!!**
- Thursday 30 September:
 - WA03 solutions will be posted, hopefully before 12pm: **Check the solutions in detail!**
- Thursday 30 September:
 - Complete **reading from Chapter 3.6 up to 5** of the course notes. **Pages 55-81.**
- Friday 1 October:
 - **Mobius Quiz 9**
- Sunday 3 October:
 - You'll need to know more before 0.4 (Polynomials), so use this time to review **Pages 55-81**, and do **practice problems!**
- Monday 4 October:
 - **Mobius Quiz 10**
- Tuesday 28 September:
 - **Look at your WA02 results thoroughly! Where did you lose marks?**
- Wednesday 29 September:
 - **Complete Written Assignment 3: WA3**
- Wednesday 29 September:
 - **Mobius Quiz 8**

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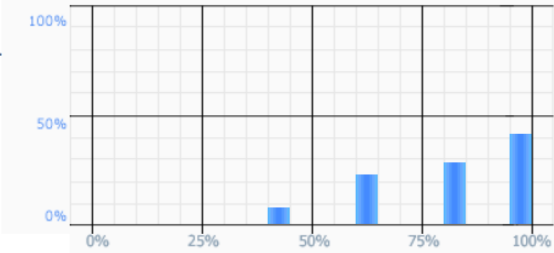
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Grade Distribution

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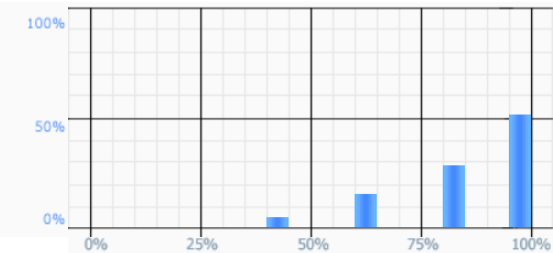
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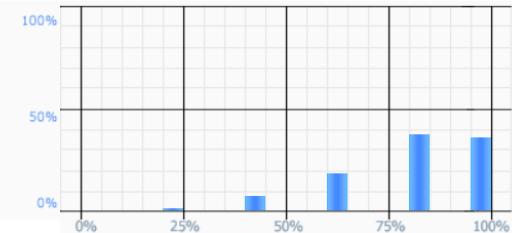
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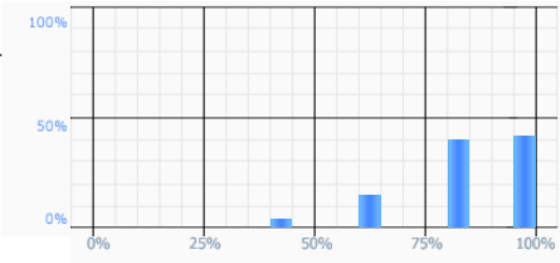
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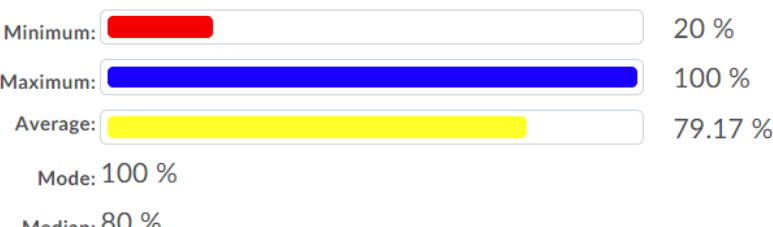
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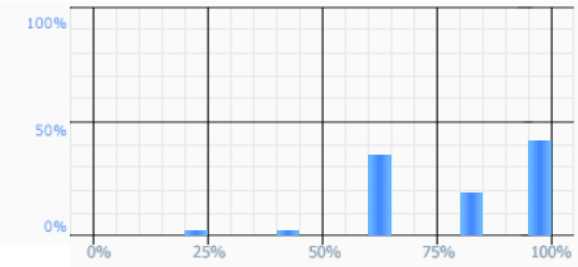
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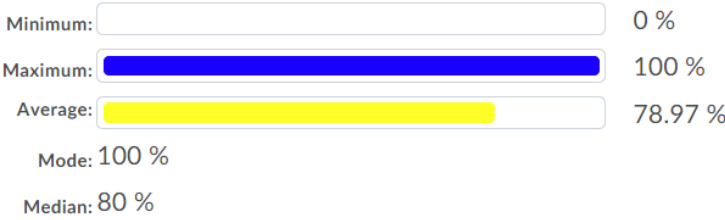
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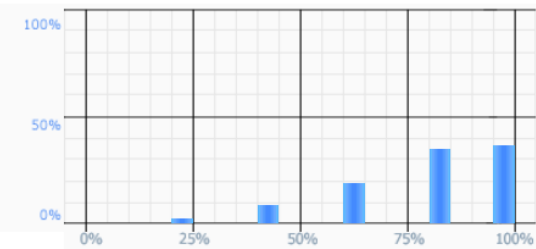
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Standard Deviation: 20.82 %

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Week 3	<p>Chapter 3: Proving Mathematical Statements</p> <p>Chapter 0: Polynomials Over \mathbb{R}</p>	<p>3.2 Proving Existentially Quantified Statements</p> <p>3.3 Proving Implications</p> <p>3.4 Divisibility of Integers</p> <p>3.5 Proof by Contrapositive</p> <p>0.3 Polynomial Divisibility</p>	<p>Mobius Quizzes 4, 5, 6 Available: Mon Sep 20, Wed Sep 22, Fri Sep 24</p> <p>WA2 Due: Wed Sep 22 at 5 PM EDT</p>	<p>MQ: 0.4% each</p> <p>WA2: 2.22%</p>	Assessments cover the material from Weeks 1–2
Week 4	<p>Chapter 3: Proving Mathematical Statements</p>	<p>3.6 Proof by Contradiction</p> <p>3.7 Proving If and Only If Statements</p> <p>4.1 Notation for Summations, Products and Recurrences</p> <p>4.2 Proof by Induction</p> <p>4.4 Proof by Strong Induction</p>	<p>Mobius Quizzes 7, 8, 9 Available: Mon Sep 27, Wed Sep 29, Fri Oct 1</p> <p>Due: midnight</p> <p>WA3 Due: Wed Sep 29 at 5 PM EDT</p>	<p>MQ: 0.4% each</p> <p>WA3: 2.22%</p>	Assessments cover the material from Weeks 1–3

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If $(k+1)\alpha/\pi$ is not an integer, then is $k\alpha/\pi$ not an integer?

$k+1 = 17$, $\alpha = \pi/16$, $(k+1)\alpha/\pi = 17/16$

$k = 16$, $\alpha = \pi/16$, $k\alpha/\pi = 1$

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Case 2 is the harder one (need to use the hint).

Another hint: can denominator be 0?

Can this happen when $(k+1)\alpha/\pi$ is not an integer?

b) What type of proof?

Contradiction! Assume $\cot(1^\circ)$ is rational!

Try some values of n . If $\cot(1^\circ)$ is rational and $n\alpha/\pi$ is non-integer, then $\cot(n\alpha)$ must be rational (because of part a).

If we violate what we proved in part (a), then $\cot(1^\circ)$ is not rational.

Q2)

First show that m exists.

Marks lost if you assume it exists!

Figure out an m that works, then plug it into $n^2 = 8m + 1$.

Then show it's unique!!

Example of proving uniqueness. If we have:

$(n^4 = 9m_1) \wedge (n^4 = 9m_2)$, then:

$$9m_1 = n^4 = 9m_2$$

$m_1 = m_2$ (So they are the same. You can also try with m_3 , m_4 , etc.)

Q3) Strong induction.

Induction hypothesis:

Make sure you give the correct range for k .

Make sure induction hypothesis is not “for all k ”.

Assume $P(r)$ is true for $r = 1, 2, \dots, k$ and $k \geq$ last base case.

- Inductive step begins with the definition of the sequence,
- then you use the induction hypothesis to prove that the definition of the sequence gives you what you want to prove, for the $k+1$ case.

Q5)

Use induction