

**CC1041-DISCRETE STRUCTURES**  
**UNIVERSITY OF MANAGEMENT AND TECHNOLOGY**

**Assignment # 2**

Total Marks: 10

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**Mathematical Induction**

**Question 1: Use mathematical induction to prove summation formulae.**

a.  $1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2n + 1)^2 = \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)(2n+3)}{3}$

Whenever  $n$  is a nonnegative integer ( $n \geq 0$ ).

b.  $\frac{1}{1.2} + \frac{1}{2.3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}$  Whenever  $n$  is a positive integer ( $n \geq 1$ ).

Note:  $\frac{1}{1.2} = \frac{1}{1 \times 2} = \frac{1}{2}$  and same for  $\frac{1}{2.3}$

**Counting**

**Question 2:**

- a. How many license plates can be made using either three digits followed by three uppercase English letters or three uppercase English letters followed by three digits?
- b. How many license plates can be made using either two uppercase English letters followed by four digits or two digits followed by four uppercase English letters?
- c. How many license plates can be made using either two or three uppercase English letters followed by either two or three digits?

**Question 3:**

How many strings of eight uppercase English letters are there

- a) if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- b) if no letter can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- c) that start with X, if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- d) that start with X, if no letter can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- e) that start and end with X, if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- f) that start with the letters BO (in that order), if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- g) that start and end with the letters BO (in that order), if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- h) that start or end with the letters BO (in that order), if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 4:**

How many strings of eight English letters are there

- a) that contain no vowels, if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- b) that contain no vowels, if letters cannot be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- c) that start with a vowel, if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- d) that start with a vowel, if letters cannot be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- e) that contain at least one vowel, if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- f) that contain exactly one vowel, if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- g) that start with X and contain at least one vowel, if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_
- h) that start and end with X and contain at least one vowel, if letters can be repeated? \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 5:**

How many ways are there to seat six people around a circular table where two seatings are considered the same when everyone has the same two neighbors without regard to whether they are right or left neighbors?