

[3] 1.) In the expansion of  $(2x + 5y - z - 1)^{10}$ , the coefficient of  $x^4y^3z^5$  is 0.

[5] In the expansion of  $(2x + 5y - z - 1)^{10}$ , the coefficient of  $x^2yz$  is  $-\frac{10(10!)}{6!}$ .

$$\frac{10!}{2!1!1!6!}(2x)^2(5y)(-z)(-1)^6 = -\frac{10(10!)}{6!}x^2yz$$

[13] 2.) Let  $S = \{x_6, x_5, x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0\}$ .

What subset of  $S$  corresponds to 1101101?  $\{x_6, x_5, x_3, x_2, x_0\}$

$$1101101 = 2^6 + 2^5 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^0$$

What subset comes before the subset  $\{x_4\}$ ?  $\{x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0\}$

$\{x_4\}$  corresponds to  $2^4$  and  $2^4 = 10000$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} 10000 \\ - 1 \\ \hline 01111 \end{array}$$

What subset comes after the subset  $\{x_4\}$ ?  $\{x_4, x_0\}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 10000 \\ + 1 \\ \hline 10001 \end{array}$$

[10] 3.) How many permutations of  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$

A permutation corresponds to inversion sequence  $a_1, \dots, a_7$  where  $a_i$  are non-negative integers and  $a_1 \leq 6, a_2 \leq 5, a_3 \leq 4, a_4 \leq 3, a_5 \leq 2, a_6 \leq 1, a_7 = 0$ .

$$6 + 5 + 4 + 3 + 2 + 1 + 0 = 21$$

[4] a.) have exactly 20 inversions? 6

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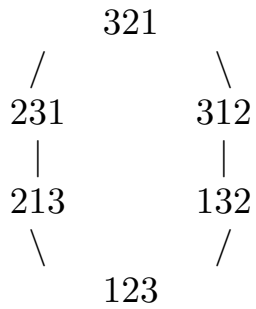
5, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0	6, 4, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0	6, 5, 3, 3, 2, 1, 0
6, 5, 4, 2, 2, 1, 0	6, 5, 4, 3, 1, 1, 0	6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 0, 0

[3] a.) have exactly 21 inversions? 1

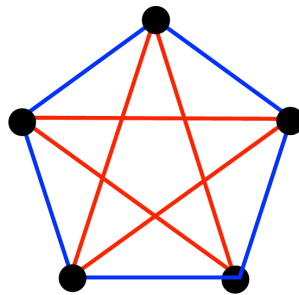
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[3] a.) have exactly 22 inversions? 0

[9] 4.) Draw the Hasse Diagram for the inversion poset  $(X_3, \leq)$  where  $X_3 =$  the set of permutations of  $\{1, 2, 3\}$  and if  $\pi$  and  $\sigma$  are two permutations in  $X_3$ , then  $\pi \leq \sigma$  if the set of inversions of  $\pi$  is a subset of the set of inversions of  $\sigma$ .



2pts Extra credit: Prove that  $r(3, 3) \geq 6$  (Note this problem is not the same as 6A).



The above coloring of  $K_5$  shows there exists a coloring of  $K_5$  that does not contain a red  $K_3$  or a blue  $K_3$ . Thus  $r(3, 3) > 5$

[20] 5.) State the definition of equivalence relation:

An *equivalence relation* on  $X$  is a relation (i.e., a subset of  $X \times X$ ) that is reflexive, symmetric, transitive.

Use the definition of equivalence relation to show the  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{Z}$  where  $n \sim k$  iff  $\frac{n-k}{4} \in \mathbb{Z}$

Claim:  $\cong_p$  is reflexive. That is,  $\forall x \in X, x \sim x$ .

$\frac{x-x}{4} = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus  $x \sim x$ .

Claim:  $\cong_p$  is symmetric. I.e., if  $x \sim y$ , then  $y \sim x$ .

Suppose  $x \sim y$ . Then  $\frac{x-y}{4} \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus  $\frac{y-x}{4} = -\frac{x-y}{4} \in \mathbb{Z}$  since the negative of an integer is an integer. Hence  $y \sim x$ .

Claim:  $\cong_p$  is transitive. I.e., if  $x \sim y$  and  $y \sim z$ , then  $x \sim z$ .

Suppose  $x \sim y$  and  $y \sim z$ . Then  $\frac{x-y}{4} \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\frac{y-z}{4} \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Thus  $\frac{x-z}{4} = \frac{x-y}{4} + \frac{y-z}{4} \in \mathbb{Z}$  since the sum of two integers is an integer.

Thus  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation.

What are the equivalence classes of  $\mathbb{Z}$  with respect to  $\sim$ ?

$[0] = \{\dots, -8, -4, 0, 4, 8, \dots\}$  = the set containing all multiples of 4.

$[1] = \{\dots, -7, -3, 1, 5, 9, \dots\}$  = the set of numbers whose remainder is 1 when divided by 4.

$[2] = \{\dots, -6, -2, 2, 6, 10, \dots\}$  = the set of numbers whose remainder is 2 when divided by 4.

$[3] = \{\dots, -5, -1, 3, 7, 11, \dots\}$  = the set of numbers whose remainder is 3 when divided by 4.

Partition  $\mathbb{Z}$  into its equivalence classes (I.e., write  $\mathbb{Z}$  as the disjoint union of sets where the sets correspond to equivalence classes.

$$\mathbb{Z} = [0] \cup [1] \cup [2] \cup [3]$$

[40] 6.) Choose 2 from the following 3 problems. **Circle your choices: A B C**  
You may do all 3 problems in which case your unchosen problem can replace your lowest scoring problem at 4/5 the value (or more) as discussed in class.

Note: If you do not CLEARLY indicate your 2 choices, I will assume that you chose the first two problems.

6A.) Prove that  $r(3, 3) \leq 6$ . State where you use the Pigeon-hole principle and whether you use the weak form or the strong form.

Method 1: Proof by contradiction: Suppose  $r(3, 3) > 6$ .

Then there exists a coloring of  $K_6$  that contains neither a red triangle nor a blue triangle.

Let  $v$  be a vertex of  $K_6$ . Let us consider the set of red edges that have  $v$  as an endpoint and the set of blue edges that have  $v$  as an endpoint. The number of edges that have  $v$  as an endpoint is 5. Thus by the pigeon-hole principle (strong-form) of these 5 edges, either 3 are red or 3 are blue.

WLOG (without loss of generality) assume there exists 3 red edges,  $\{v, v_1\}$ ,  $\{v, v_2\}$ , and  $\{v, v_3\}$ .

Consider the edges  $\{v_1, v_2\}$ ,  $\{v_1, v_3\}$ , and  $\{v_2, v_3\}$ .

Suppose one of these edges,  $\{v_i, v_j\}$  is colored red. Then  $\{v, v_i\}$ ,  $\{v, v_j\}$ ,  $\{v_i, v_j\}$  is a red triangle. But our coloring does not have a red  $K_3$ .

Thus none of the edges  $\{v_1, v_2\}$ ,  $\{v_1, v_3\}$ , and  $\{v_2, v_3\}$  can be colored red.

Thus  $\{v_1, v_2\}$ ,  $\{v_1, v_3\}$ , and  $\{v_2, v_3\}$  are all colored blue. But then  $\{v_1, v_2\}$ ,  $\{v_1, v_3\}$ , and  $\{v_2, v_3\}$  is a blue triangle, a contradiction.

Thus there does not exist a coloring of  $K_6$  that contains neither a red triangle nor a blue triangle.

Thus our assumption that  $r(3, 3) > 6$  is incorrect. Hence  $r(3, 3) \leq 6$ .

If you are not required to use the pigeonhole principle, then two alternate proofs:

Method 2:  $r(s, t) \leq r(s - 1, t) + r(s, t - 1)$  and  $r(s, 2) = r(2, s) = s$ .

Thus  $r(3, 3) \leq r(2, 3) + r(3, 2) = 3 + 3 = 6$

Method 3:  $r(s, t) \leq \binom{s+t-2}{s-1}$ . Thus  $r(3, 3) \leq \binom{3+3-2}{3-1} = \binom{4}{2} = \frac{4!}{2!2!} = 6$ .

6B.) Use a combinatorial argument to prove the Vandermonde convolution for the binomial coefficients: For all positive integers  $m_1, m_2, n$ ,

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{m_1}{k} \binom{m_2}{n-k} = \binom{m_1 + m_2}{n}$$

See answers to HW ch 5 #25 posted under content on ICON

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6C.) State Newton's binomial theorem for expanding  $(x + y)^\alpha$  where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{R}$ . Then if  $0 \leq |x| < |y|$ ,

$$(x + y)^\alpha = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{\alpha}{k} x^k y^{\alpha-k}$$

where 
$$\binom{\alpha}{k} = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)\dots(\alpha-k+1)}{k!} & \text{if } k \geq 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } k = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } k \leq -1 \end{cases}$$

Use this theorem to algebraically derive the formula:  $\frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^k$  when  $|z| < 1$ .

Hint: Let  $\alpha = -1$ . You may use the fact that  $\binom{-n}{k} = (-1)^k \binom{n+k-1}{k}$

When  $n = 1$ : 
$$\binom{-1}{k} = (-1)^k \binom{-1+k-1}{k} = (-1)^k \binom{k}{k} = (-1)^k$$

When  $|z| < 1$ :

$$(x + y)^{-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{-1}{k} x^k y^{-1-k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k x^k y^{-1-k}$$

$$\frac{1}{1-z} = (-z + 1)^{-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k (-z)^k (1)^{-1-k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k (-1)^k (z)^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^k$$