

Final Examination

CS 336

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1. **The important issue is the logic you used to arrive at your answer.**
2. **Use extra paper to determine your solutions then neatly transcribe them onto these sheets.**
3. **Do not submit the scratch sheets. However, all of the logic necessary to obtain the solution should be on these sheets.**
4. **Comment on all logical flaws and omissions and enclose the**

comments in boxes

1. [10] For $n \geq 7$, how many subsets of size 7 from $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ are there that either contain both a_1 and a_2 or both a_3 and a_4 (or all four)?
2. [10] Given $n \geq r \geq 1$, in how many ways can n identical balls be placed into r distinct bins such that each bin contains at least one ball? (Hint: Consider dot diagrams.)

3. a. [10] Using a combinatorial argument, prove that for $n \geq 2$ and $m \geq 2$:

$$\binom{n+m}{2} = n \cdot m + \binom{n}{2} + \binom{m}{2}$$

- b. [10] Using a combinatorial argument, prove that for $n \geq 1$:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k \binom{n}{k} = n2^{n-1}$$

(Hint: Let A be a set of cardinality n . Consider pairs $\langle B, a \rangle$ where $B \subseteq A$ and $a \in A \sim B$.)

4. a. [10] For $n \geq 5$, consider strings of length n using elements of $\{1, 2, 3\}$. Assume all such strings are equally likely. What is the probability that a string has exactly two 3's?

b. [5] What is the probability that such a string has exactly three 2's given that it has exactly two 3's?

5. [10] Using definition 2' (and no cardinality theorems) prove that the set of all integral multiples of 17 (i.e., $\{17k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$) is infinite.

6. [10] Let $S = \{f \mid f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0,1\}\}$ (i.e., the set of functions mapping the natural numbers into $\{0,1\}$). Is S finite, countably infinite, or uncountably infinite? State then prove your assertion.

7. [10] Prove that $n^3 + n^2 + n = o(n^4)$.

8. a. [10] .Recalling that $\log_a x = \log_b x \cdot \log_a b$, prove that for all $a, b > 1$, if $f = O(\log_a n)$ then $f = O(\log_b n)$.

b. [10]. Consider the following assertion:

For all $a, b > 1$, if $f = O(a^n)$ then $f = O(b^n)$.

Using a simple example, prove that this assertion is false. Notice your example function must be $O(a^n)$ but not $O(b^n)$.

9. [10] Prove the following code is partially correct with respect to precondition " $n \geq 1$ " and postcondition " $m = \max\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ ":

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m := a[1]
i := 2
while i ≤ n do
    if m < a[i] then
        m := a[i]
    endif
    i := i+1
endwhile
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You may assume that m , i , n , and the array a are integer variables. You may also assume that the array components a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n are defined. Finally you may use the following axioms:

$$a_i \leq \max\{a_1, \dots, a_{i-1}\} \Rightarrow \max\{a_1, \dots, a_i\} = \max\{a_1, \dots, a_{i-1}\}$$

$$a_i > \max\{a_1, \dots, a_{i-1}\} \Rightarrow \max\{a_1, \dots, a_i\} = a_i$$

10. a. [10] Prove the following code is partially correct with respect to precondition “ $m \geq 1$ and $n \geq 1$ ” and postcondition “ $b = \binom{m}{n}$ ” (assume b , m , n , and k are integer variables.):

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b := m
k := 2
while k ≤ n do
    b := (b*(m-k+1))/k
    k := k+1
endwhile

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You may use the following axiom:

$$\text{For } m \geq 1 \text{ and } k \geq 2, \binom{m}{k-1} \cdot \frac{m-k+1}{k} = \binom{m}{k}.$$

...b. [5] Prove that the loop terminates.

11. [10] Determine the weakest precondition with respect to the postcondition “ $z=10$ ” for the following code (assume z , y , and x are integer variables and that y is defined):

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x := 3
z := x-y
if y < 0 then
    z := 0
else
    z := 2*z
endif

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12. [10] Determine the weakest precondition with respect to the postcondition “ $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ ” for the following (assume a , b , c , y , and x are integer variables and that a , b , c , and x are defined):

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y := ax
y := (y+b)*x
y := y+c

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(Hint: Be careful regarding $x = 0$.)