



Department of Computer Science & Mathematics

MTH207 - Discrete Mathematics  
Spring 2016  
Exam 2  
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*ANSWER KEY*

Duration: 50 minutes

- Answer the questions in the space provided for each problem.
- If more space or scratch is needed, you may use the back pages.
- Only scientific calculators are permissible.
- The exam has **6** pages consisting of **7** exercises.

Grades:

<b>1.</b>	6%	
<b>2.</b>	10%	
<b>3.a</b>	8%	
<b>3.b</b>	8%	
<b>3.c</b>	8%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	

<b>4.</b>	8%	
<b>5.</b>	12%	
<b>6.a, b</b>	16%	
<b>7.a,b,c</b>	24%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	

1. (6%) Let  $f$  be a one-to-one function from the set  $S$  to the set  $T$ . Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $S$ . Prove that  $f(A) \cap f(B) \subseteq f(A \cap B)$

and B be subsets of S. Prove that  $f(A) \cap f(B) \subseteq f(A \cap B)$

Suppose  $x \in f(A) \cap f(B)$ . Then

$x \in f(A)$  and  $x \in$

$\exists a \in A$  such that  $f(a) = x$

but since  $f$  is 1-1  
then  $a = b$   $\textcircled{1}$

$$\begin{aligned} a \in A \text{ and } a \in B &\Rightarrow a \in A \cap B \\ \text{since } a = b &f(a) \in f(A \cap B) \end{aligned}$$

$$x \in f(A \cap B) \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(A) \cap f(B) \subseteq f(A \cap B)$$

2. (10%) If A, B and C are countable sets, show that  $(A \times B) \cup C$  is also countable.

① If  $A \times B$  is countable then  $(A \times B) \cup C$  is countable  
 (Theorem - Union of 2 countable sets is countable)

① hence we need to show that  $\aleph_0$   
 $\alpha$  if  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are countable  $\Rightarrow$  3 cases

Both A and B are finite sets  
 $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m\}$   
 $B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$

$|A| = m$ ,  $|B| = n \Rightarrow A \times B$  is finite  
 $|A \times B| = |A| \cdot |B| = m \cdot n$  and the other is infinite

$\{b_1, b_2, \dots\}$

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$$\text{① } A \times B = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_1) \dots (a_m, b_1), \\ (a_1, b_2), (a_2, b_2) \dots (a_m, b_2), \dots \end{array} \right\}$$

3) Both A and B are infinite countable  
 $\rightarrow A \times B$  countable (2)  ~~$\begin{array}{c|c} b_1 & b_2 \\ \hline a_1 & a_2 \end{array}$~~  zigzag

3. a)(8%) If  $b_n = 3 + b_{n-1}$ , for all  $n \geq 1$ , if  $b_0 = 7$ , show that  $b_n = 7 + 3n$  for all nonnegative integers  $n$ .

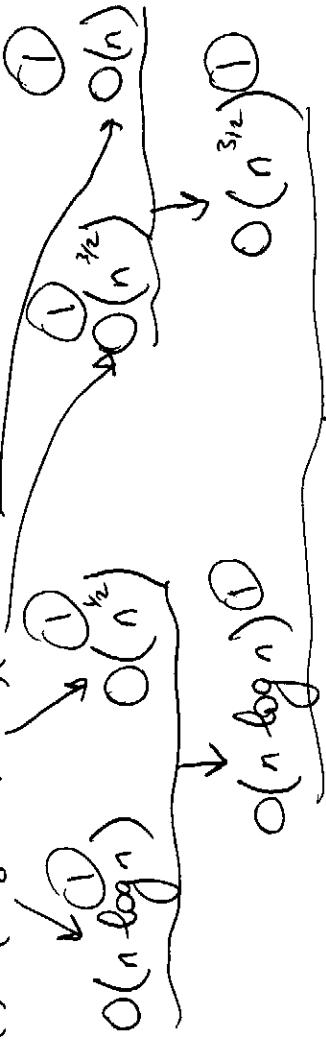
$$\begin{aligned} b_1 &= 3 + b_0 & 3 + (3+b_0) &= 3 \times 2 + b_0 \\ b_2 &= 3 + b_1 & 3 + (3+b_0) &= 3 \times 2 + b_0 \\ b_3 &= 3 + b_2 & 3 + (3 \times 2) + b_0 &= 3 \times 3 + b_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$b_n = 3 \times \underbrace{\frac{n}{2}}_{\textcircled{1}} + \boxed{b_0} + \underbrace{7}_{\textcircled{1}}$$

$$b_n = \boxed{b_0 + 3n + 7} \quad \rightarrow$$

b)(8%) Give as good a big-O estimate as possible for the function

$$f(x) = (2 \log n! + \sqrt{n+1})(n^{3/2} + 2n)$$



$$\sum_{k=1}^n k(k+1) = \sum_{k=1}^n (k^2 + k) \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + \sum_{k=1}^n k \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\downarrow \quad \quad \quad \downarrow \\ &O(n^3) \quad O(n^3) \quad O(n^3) \quad \textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

$$= O(n^3) \quad \textcircled{1}$$

4. (8%) Find the Boolean product of  $A$  and  $A^T$ , where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \odot A^T &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \odot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2) \text{ order} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3) \\ &\qquad\qquad\qquad 3 \times 3 \end{aligned}$$

5. a) (12%) Let  $f: N \times N \rightarrow Z \times Z$  be defined by

$$f(m, n) = (3m + n, n^2)$$

i. Is  $f$  1-1? Justify your answer.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(1) Suppose } f(m_1, n_1) &= f(m_2, n_2) = (3m_2 + n_2, n_2^2) \\ \text{(1) } (3m_1 + n_1, n_1^2) &= (3m_2 + n_2, n_2^2) \\ \text{(1) } n_1^2 &= n_2^2 \quad \text{and } (1) 3m_1 + n_1 = 3m_2 + n_2 \\ \text{(1) } n_1 &= n_2 \\ \text{(1) } m_1 &= m_2 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore f$  is 1-1

ii. Is  $f$  onto? Justify your answer.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(2) } f &\text{ is not onto} \\ \text{(2) since } (0, -1) &\in Z \times Z \text{ has no pre-image} \\ (m, n) &\in N \times N \text{ such that } \\ f(m, n) &= (3m+n, n^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\downarrow \\ \text{(2) } n^2 &\neq -1 \end{aligned}$$

6. a. (8%) Use the Euclidean Algorithm to find the  $\gcd(245, 175)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 245 &= 175 \times 1 + 70 \quad (2) \\ 175 &= 70 \times 2 + 35 \quad (2) \\ 70 &= 35 \times 2 + 0 \quad (2) \\ \text{GCD} &= 35 \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

b. (8%) Express the  $\gcd(245, 175)$  as a linear combination of 245 and 175.

$$\begin{cases} a = b + 30 \quad (1) \\ b = 70 \times 2 + \text{GCD} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} 70 &= a - b \quad (1) \\ \text{GCD} &= b - (70 \times 2) \quad (1) \\ &= b - (a - b) \times 2 \quad (1) \\ &= b - 2a + 2b \quad (1) \\ &= b - 2a \quad (1) \\ 35 &= 3(175) - 2(345) \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

7. (8%) a. Suppose  $a \equiv 5 \pmod{24}$  and  $b \equiv 13 \pmod{24}$ . Find the integer  $c$  between 0 and 24 such that  $c \equiv 2a^2 + 3b \pmod{24}$

Method 1

$$\begin{aligned} a &\equiv 5 \pmod{24} \\ a^2 &\equiv 25 \pmod{24} \\ 2a^2 &\equiv 50 \pmod{24} \\ + 3b &\equiv 39 \pmod{24} \\ c &\equiv 89 \pmod{24} \\ c &\equiv 17 \quad (\boxed{c=17}) \end{aligned}$$

Method 2

$$\begin{aligned} a &\equiv 5 \pmod{24} \\ b &\equiv 13 \pmod{24} \\ 0 < c < 24 \\ c &\equiv 2a^2 + 3b \pmod{24} \\ \begin{cases} a=5 \\ b=13 \end{cases} &\rightarrow \begin{cases} \textcircled{2} \\ \textcircled{2} \end{cases} \equiv 89 \pmod{24} \\ 2a^2 + 3b &\rightarrow 89 - c \text{ is multiple} \\ = 80 + 39 &\text{of 24} \\ = 89 &\rightarrow \boxed{c=17} \end{aligned}$$

Method 3

$$\begin{aligned} a &\equiv 5 + 24m_1 \\ b &\equiv 13 + 24m_2 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} a^2 &= (5 + 24m_1)^2 = 25 + 10(24m_1) + (24m_1)^2 \\ c = 2a^2 + 3b &= \frac{50}{2} + 20(24m_1) + 2(24m_1)^2 + \frac{3(13)}{2} + 3(24m_2) \\ &= 89 + 24[20m_1 + 2(24m_1^2) + 3m_2] \\ c &\equiv 89 \pmod{24} \rightarrow \boxed{c=17} \end{aligned}$$

(8%) b. Show that if  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $k$  and  $m$  are integers such that  $k \geq 1$ ,  $m \geq 2$ , and  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ , then  $a^k \equiv b^k \pmod{m}$ .

and  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ , then  $a^n \equiv b^n \pmod{m}$ .

**OR**

$$\frac{a \equiv b \pmod{m}}{a^2 \equiv b^2 \pmod{m}}$$

$$\times \quad \frac{a \equiv b \pmod{m}}{a^3 \equiv b^3 \pmod{m}}$$

$$\therefore \quad \boxed{a^k \equiv b^k \pmod{m}}$$

$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \quad (1)$

$$a - b = cm \quad (2)$$

$$a = b + cm$$

$$a^k = (b + cm)^k \quad (1)$$

$$= b^k + \underbrace{k b^{k-1} c m + \dots}_{\text{multiples of } m} \quad (1)$$

$$= b^k + n Q \quad (1)$$

$$a^k - b^k = n Q \quad (1)$$

$$a^k \equiv b^k \pmod{m} \quad (1)$$

(8%) c. Prove that the product of any three consecutive integers is divisible by 6.

3 consecutive integers :  $n, n+1, n+2$

\* Product is divisible by 8

If  $n$  is odd then  $n =$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{even} \\ n(n+1)(n+2) &= \frac{(2k+1)(2k+2)(2k+3)}{(2k+1)2(k+1)(2k+3)} \end{aligned}$$

→ If  $n$  is even then  $n = 2k$

$$n(n+1)(n+2) = \underline{\underline{2k}}(2k+1)(2k+2) \text{ even}$$

But it is divisible by 3

→ If  $n$  is divisible by 3 then  $n = 3k$   
 $\therefore n(n+1)(n+2) = 3k(3k+1)(3k+2)$  divisible by 3

$\rightarrow$  If  $n$  is not divisible by 3 then

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$n(n+1)(n+2)$  is divisible by both 2 and 3  
 hence  $n(n+1)(n+2)$  is divisible by 6.