

Math 61, Lec 1  
Winter 2016  
Exam 2  
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Time Limit: 50 Minutes

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This exam contains 6 pages (including this cover page) and 5 problems. Check to see if any pages are missing.

You may *not* use books, notes, or any calculator on this exam.

Unless otherwise stated in the problem, you may leave all answers in terms of  $\binom{n}{k}$ ,  $P(n, k)$ ,  $k!$ , or any sum, difference, product, or quotient of such symbols.

Partial credit will only be awarded to answers for which an explanation and/or work is shown.

Please attempt to organize your work in a reasonably neat and coherent way, in the space provided. If you need more space, use the back of the pages; clearly indicate when you have done this.

Problem	Points	Score
1	16	16
2	18	18
3	22	22
4	20	20
5	24	20 4
Total:	100	96

1. (16 points) Solve the recurrence relation  $A_n = 3A_{n-1} + 4A_{n-2}$ , where  $A_0 = 4$ ,  $A_1 = 6$ .

$$A_n = 3A_{n-1} + 4A_{n-2}, \quad A_0 = 4 \quad / \quad A_1 = 6$$

$$\therefore A_n - 3A_{n-1} - 4A_{n-2} = 0$$

(like the characteristic polynomial)

$$\therefore t^2 - 3t - 4 = 0$$

$$t^2 + t - 4t - 4 = 0$$

$$t(t+1) - 4(t+1) = 0$$

$$\therefore (t+1)(t-4) = 0 \quad \therefore t = \{-1, 4\}$$

$$\therefore A_n = C_1(-1)^n + C_2(4)^n$$

$$A_0 = C_1 + C_2 = 4 \quad (1) \quad \therefore \text{Add (1) and (2)}$$

$$A_1 = -C_1 + 4C_2 = 6 \quad (2) \quad 5C_2 = 10 \quad \therefore C_2 = 2$$

$$\therefore C_1 = 2$$

$$\therefore \boxed{A_n = 2(-1)^n + 2(4)^n}$$

2. (18 points) Prove the combinatorial identity

$$\sum_{i=0}^k C(m+k-i-1, k-i) \cdot C(n+i-1, i) = C(m+n+k-1, k)$$

using a combinatorial argument. No more than half credit will be awarded to an algebraic proof. (Hint: Use Pirates and Gold.)

RHS.

Take  $(m+n)$  pirates who have to split  $k$  gold in some manner  
 let  $x_1, \dots, x_{m+n}$  each represent a pirate share of gold.

$$\therefore x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n + x_{n+1} + \dots + x_{m+n} = k$$

$\therefore$  We know this is  $\binom{m+n+k-1}{k}$ .

LHS

- We divide the pirates into the first  $n$  and the next  $m$

$$\therefore x_1 + \dots + x_n \quad \text{and} \quad x_{n+1} + \dots + x_{m+n}$$

$\therefore$  Let's say for one case, the first  $n$  pirates get a total of  $i$  gold.

$$\therefore x_1 + \dots + x_n = i$$

$$\text{Then } \binom{n+i-1}{i}$$

This would mean the next  $m$  pirates get a total of  $k-i$  gold

$$x_{n+1} + \dots + x_{m+n} = k-i$$

$$\text{Then } \binom{m+(k-i)-1}{k-i}$$

if count same way

$\therefore$  For that one case,  $\binom{m+k-i-1}{k-i} \cdot \binom{n+i-1}{i}$  is

all possibilities where the first  $n$  pirates get  $i$  gold and the next  $m$  pirates get  $k-i$  gold.

We want to do this for all possible  $i$ 's hence we take all cases. Since the cases are discrete, i.e. the first  $n$  pirates can't have  $i$  and  $i+1$  gold at the same time, we sum all the cases to get

$$\sum_{i=0}^k C(m+k-i-1, k-i) \cdot C(n+i-1, i) \quad \text{which is LHS}$$

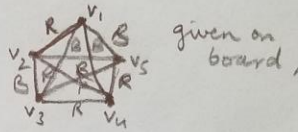
3. (22 points) Recall that a  $k$ -cycle is a cycle that includes  $k$  edges. In this problem, you will prove Ramsey's theorem, which states that if  $n \geq 6$  and we color each edge of  $K_n$  either blue or red, then there must exist either a set of three blue edges that form a 3-cycle, or a set of three red edges that form a 3-cycle.

To this end, let  $n \geq 6$  be arbitrary, and suppose every edge in  $K_n$  is colored either blue or red. Let  $v_1$  be a vertex in  $K_n$ .

Prove that at least three of the edges incident to  $v_1$  are the same color.

$\therefore$  For  $K_n$  where  $n=5$

Each  $v$  has  $\delta = 4 \therefore 4$  edges leave it. Hence like the one given, for each vertex, there exist a possibility where of the 4 edges, 2 are red and 2 are blue



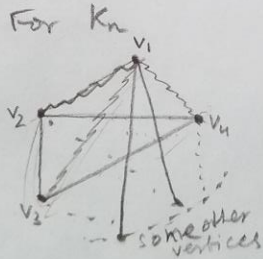
(2)

For  $n \geq 6$ , ( $\delta$  of vertices in  $K_n$ )  $\geq 5$

Hence each vertex will have at least 5 edges incident to it.

$\therefore$  By pigeon hole principle  $\frac{n}{R} \rightarrow$  no of edges adjacent to  $v$   $\frac{5}{2} = 2.5$  minimum  $\checkmark$   
Hence there must be a 3-cycle formed as there is at least one  $v$  with 3-edges of the same color incident to it. (which we take as  $v_1$ )

(b) In the previous part, you proved that at least three of the edges incident to  $v_1$  are the same color. Without loss of generality, you may assume that color is blue. Suppose that  $\{v_1, v_2\}$ ,  $\{v_1, v_3\}$ , and  $\{v_1, v_4\}$  are blue edges. Prove that between these four vertices, there must exist either a blue 3-cycle or a red 3-cycle.



(10)

$\therefore$  Given that edges  $v_1v_2, v_1v_4$  and  $v_1v_3$  are blue, the other edges between these 4 vertices are  $v_2v_4, v_2v_3$  and  $v_3v_4$ .

Case 1: If all the other 3 edges are red, we form a red 3-cycle  $(v_2, v_4, v_3, v_2)$   $\checkmark$

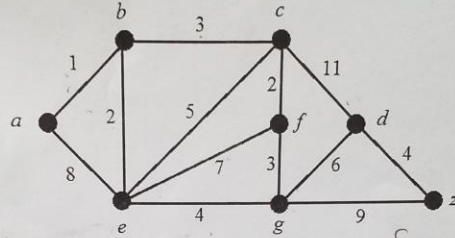
Case 2a: If  $v_2v_4$  is blue Blue 3-cycle  $(v_1, v_4, v_2, v_1)$  formed  $\checkmark$

Case 2b: If  $v_2v_3$  is blue Blue 3-cycle  $(v_1, v_2, v_3, v_1)$  formed  $\checkmark$

Case 2c: If  $v_3v_4$  is blue Blue 3-cycle  $(v_1, v_3, v_4, v_1)$  formed  $\checkmark$

Case 3 and up:  
If more than 1 edge of  $v_2v_4, v_2v_3$  and  $v_3v_4$  is blue then case 2 still stands  $\checkmark$

4. (20 points) Run Dijkstra's algorithm on the following graph to find the shortest path from  $a$  to  $z$ . Recall that at each stage of Dijkstra's algorithm, one vertex is chosen and given a permanent label which represents the length of the shortest path from  $a$  to that vertex. Write down the list of vertices in the order in which they are given permanent labels. Additionally, find the length of a shortest path from  $a$  to  $z$ .



$$L(a) = 0; L(b) = 1; L(e) = 8$$

$$L(b) = 1; L(e) = \min(8, 3) = 3; L(c) = 4$$

$$L(e) = 3; L(g) = 7; L(f) = 10; L(c) = 8$$

$$L(c) = 4; L(f) = \min(10, 6) = 6; L(d) = 15$$

$$L(f) = 6; L(g) = \min(7, 9) = 7$$

$$L(g) = 7; L(d) = \min(15, 13) = 13; L(z) = 16$$

$$L(d) = 13; L(z) = \min(16, 17) = 16$$

$$L(z) = 16.$$

$$\therefore \text{Shortest path} = \{a, b, e, g, z\} = \underline{16} \text{ len}$$

$\{a, b, e, c, f, g, d, z\}$

order of permanent labels

5. (24 points) There are 999,999 natural numbers less than one million. We write any of them as a six digit number, including leading zeros. (For example, 001124 is how we write the number 1124).

(a) How many of these numbers have all different digits?

$$\underline{10} \times \underline{9} \times \underline{8} \times \underline{7} \times \underline{6} \times \underline{5} \text{ numbers}$$

or  $10P_6$  because

$\begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 6 & 3 & 2 & 5 & 4 & 1 \end{matrix}$  are different numbers

+8

(b) How many of these numbers have digits that sum to 18?

$$\therefore \begin{matrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 & x_5 & x_6 \end{matrix} \quad \therefore \binom{6+18-1}{6-1} - 6 \binom{5+18-1}{8}$$

$$\therefore x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6 = 18 \quad +8$$

where for any  $i, 9 \leq x_i \leq 0$

Only one  $x_i$  can ever be  $> 9$  at a time  
 at sum is 18.  $\therefore$  let  $x_i = 10$   $\therefore$  new sum =  $18 - 10 = 8$

(c) How many of these numbers have exactly four distinct digits? (For example, 922433 is valid, but 922435 is not valid and 922444 is not valid).

924333

$$\therefore \frac{10P_6}{2!2!} + \frac{10P_6}{3!} \quad +4$$

For all numbers with 2 sets of double numbers

For all numbers with 1 set of triple numbers.