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## MATH 3012 Quiz 1, February 8, 2007, WTT

1. Let  $X$  be the 36 element set consisting of the 10 digits in  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 9\}$  and the 26 lower case letters in the English alphabet  $\{a, b, c, \dots, z\}$ . Then consider strings of length 20 whose symbols come from the set  $X$ .

a. How many strings of length 20 can be formed if repetition of symbols is *not* permitted?

$$P(36, 20) = 36 \cdot 35 \cdot 34 \cdot \dots \cdot 17$$

b. How many strings of length 20 can be formed if repetition of symbols is permitted?

$$36^{20}$$

c. How many strings of length 20 can be formed using exactly three 0's, six 3's, four x's, two y's and five z's?

$$\binom{20}{3, 6, 4, 2, 5} = \frac{20!}{3! \cdot 6! \cdot 4! \cdot 2! \cdot 5!}$$

d. Let  $G = \{g, e, n, i, u, s\}$ . How many strings of length 20 are possible if repetition is allowed and *exactly* 8 of the 20 symbols in the string come from  $G$ .

$$\binom{20}{8} 6^8 30^{12}$$

e. How many strings of length 20 are possible if repetition is *not* allowed and *exactly* 3 of the 20 symbols in the string come from the set  $G$  defined in part d?

$$\binom{20}{3} P(6, 3) P(30, 17)$$

2. How many lattice paths from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(23, 17)$  pass through  $(8, 6)$ ?

$$\binom{14}{8} \binom{26}{15}$$

3. How many integer valued solutions to the following equations and inequalities:

a.  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 63$ , all  $x_i > 0$ .

$$\binom{62}{4}$$

62 gaps, choose 4

b.  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 63$ , all  $x_i \geq 0$ .

$$\binom{67}{4}$$

add 1 artificial apple for each

c.  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 \leq 63$ , all  $x_i \geq 0$ . First add  $x_6 \geq 0$  and make equation. Then its like part b

$$\binom{68}{5}$$

d.  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 63$ , all  $x_i \geq 0$ ,  $x_2 \geq 10$ .

same as  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 53$   
all  $x_i \geq 0$

$$\binom{57}{4}$$

e.  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 63$ , all  $x_i \geq 0$ ,  $x_2 \leq 9$ .

$$\binom{67}{4} - \binom{57}{4}$$

15  
5x3

5  
23-8=15  
17-6=11

15  
5x3

10

4. Define a function  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  by  $f(1) = 7$  and  $f(k+1) = f(k) + 2k + 3$ . Use math induction to prove that  $f(n) = n^2 + 2n + 4$ , for all  $n \geq 1$ .

When  $n=1$   $f(1) = 7$  and  $1^2 + 2 \cdot 1 + 4 = 7$  so formula holds.

Now let  $k \geq 1$  and assume  $f(k) = k^2 + 2k + 4$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } f(k+1) &= f(k) + 2k + 3 \\ &= (k^2 + 2k + 4) + 2k + 3 \\ &= k^2 + 4k + 7 \\ &= (k^2 + 2k + 1) + 2(k+1) + 4 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  the formula holds for all  $n \geq 1$ .

5. Use the Euclidean algorithm to find  $d = \gcd(693, 45)$ .

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$$\begin{array}{r} 15 \\ 45 \overline{)693} \\ \underline{45} \phantom{0} \\ 243 \\ \underline{225} \\ 18 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 18 \overline{)45} \\ \underline{36} \\ 9 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 9 \overline{)18} \\ \underline{18} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

so  $\boxed{\gcd(693, 45) = 9}$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 693 = 15 \cdot 45 + 18 \\ 45 = 2 \cdot 18 + 9 \end{array} \right\} \begin{aligned} 9 &= 1 \cdot 45 - 2 \cdot 18 \\ &= 1 \cdot 45 - 2(693 - 15 \cdot 45) \\ &= -2 \cdot 693 + 31 \cdot 45 \end{aligned}$$

6. Use your work in the preceding problem to find integers  $a$  and  $b$  so that  $d = 693a + 45b$ .

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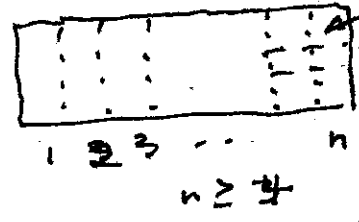
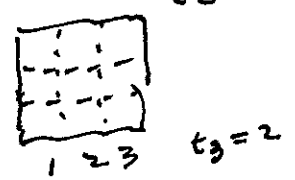
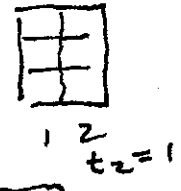
$$\boxed{a = -2 \quad b = 31}$$

Note:  $-2 \cdot 693 + 31 \cdot 45 = -1386 + 1395 = 9$

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7. For a positive integer  $n$ , let  $t_n$  count the number of ways to tile a  $3 \times n$  checkerboard with rectangles of size  $1 \times 3$  and  $3 \times 1$ . It is easy to see that  $t_1 = t_2 = 1$  while  $t_3 = 2$ . Find a recurrence equation satisfied by  $t_n$  and use it to calculate  $t_7$ .

5x3



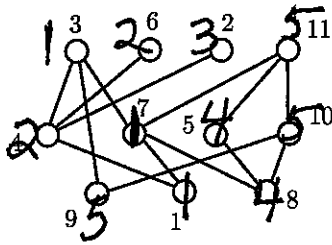
either horizontal or vertical  
 $t_n = t_{n-1} + t_{n-3}$   
 (if horizontal, so are two others)  
 under math

$$\begin{aligned} t_4 &= t_3 + t_1 = 2 + 1 = 3 \\ t_5 &= t_4 + t_2 = 3 + 1 = 4 \\ t_6 &= t_5 + t_3 = 4 + 2 = 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{t_7 = t_6 + t_4 = 6 + 3 = 9}$$



9. Consider the partially ordered set (poset)  $Q$  shown below:



Lots of ways to do this.

a. Find the width  $w$  of this poset.

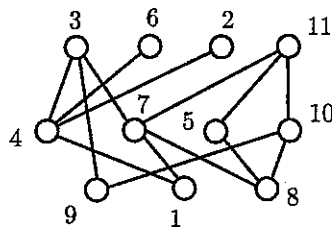
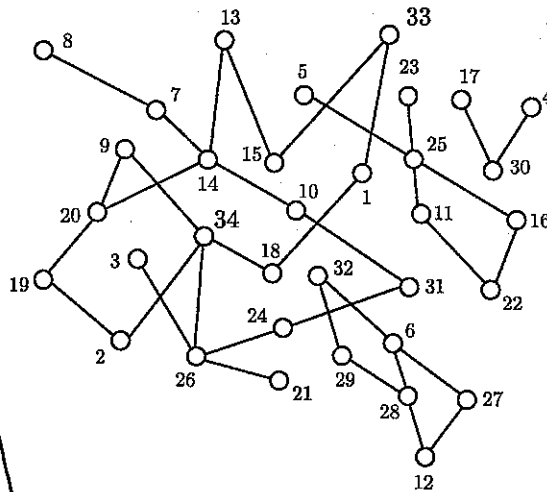
$w = 5$

b. List a set of points that form an antichain of size  $w$  in  $Q$ .

$\{3, 6, 2, 5, 10\}$

c. Determine a partition of  $P$  into  $w$  chains by labeling directly on the figure each point with an integer from  $\{1, 2, \dots, w\}$  so that for each  $i$ , all points labeled  $i$  form a chain.

Duplicate Figures. Please note if these are being used.



SCORING

1.  $5 \times 3 = 15$
2.  $5 = 5$
3.  $5 \times 3 = 15$
4.  $10 = 10$
5.  $8 = 8$
6.  $8 = 8$
7.  $5 + 3 = 8$
8.  $9 \times 2 = 18$
9.  $3 \times 3 = 9$

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Total 96

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