## Midterm 1 (MACM101-D1) February 3, 2014. Test duration: 50 minutes

## There are eight questions in this test. Answer questions worth 60 points.

- 1. (10 points) Consider selecting 3 objects from the set  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .
  - (a) How many ordered sequences without repetition can be chosen from A? ans= P(6,3)
  - (b) How many ordered sequences with repetition can be chosen from A? ans=  $6^3$ ; there are 6 choices for each position.
  - (c) How many unordered sequences without repetition can be chosen from A? ans= C(6,3)
  - (d) How many unordered sequences with repetition can be chosen from A?  $\binom{6+3-1}{6-1}$ ; this r-combinations with repetitions.
  - (e) How many strictly increasing sequences can be chosen from A?
    { < 2, 4, 4 > is not a strictly increasing sequence.}
    It is the same as the number of 3-combinations without repetitions, since every such 3-element combination, there is only one strictly increasing sequence. Hence the answer is C(6,3).
- 2. (10 points) Consider a seven letter word *aeemrry*.
  - (a) How many different arrangements of these seven letters are there? no constraint:  $\frac{7!}{2!2!}$
  - (b) How many such arrangements are there that contain *eye*? Arrangements with eye: use  $\{eye, a, r, m, r\}$  :  $\frac{5!}{2!}$
  - (c) How many such arrangements are there that contain eye and ram? Arrangements with eye and ram: use  $\{ram, eye, r\}$ : 3!
  - (d) How many such arrangements are there that do not contain either *eye* or *ram*?

Arrangements with neither eye nor ram  $= \frac{7!}{2!2!} - \frac{5!}{2!} - \frac{5!}{2!} + 3!$ 

3. (10 points) Suppose you are interested in buying pizzas, and each pizza gets up to 7 toppings from 7 possible types (no double toppings).

- (a) How many ways can you choose toppings for a pizza?
   Each pizza can have 0 to 7 toppings. Therefore, there are 2<sup>7</sup> different pizzas.
- (b) How many ways can you choose two pizzas with the same toppings? It is the same as the number of different pizzas. The answer is 2<sup>7</sup>.
- (c) How many ways can you choose toppings for two pizzas? Since we can have two pizzas with the same toppings, the problem is combination with repetitions. There are  $2^7$  different pizzas, and we need to select two of them where repetitions are allowed. Therefore, the answer is  $\binom{2-1+2^7}{2^7-1} = \binom{2^7+1}{2}$
- (d) How many ways can you choose toppings for n pizzas? We now select n pizzas from  $2^7$  different toppings ones. The answer is  $\binom{n-1+2^7}{2^7-1}$ .
- 4. (10 points) We have seen that the following problem captures many counting problems.

Determine the number of non-negative integer solutions to

$$x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_k = n$$
  
$$x_i \ge 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, k.$$

Formulate each of the following problems as a variation of the above problem.

(a) Determine the number of ways to select k objects with replacements from a set of n objects.

Ans:

$$x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = k$$
  
$$x_i \ge 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

(b) Determine the number of ways to place n nondistinguisable balls in k boxes.

Ans:

$$x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_k = n$$
  
$$x_i \ge 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, k.$$

(c) Determine the number of ways to distribute n pennies to k kids such that each kid gets at least 1 penny.Ans:

$$x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_k = n$$
  
$$x_i \ge 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, k.$$

(d) Determine the number of times the following pseudocode prints the PRINT statement:

for i = 1 to 20
for j = 1 to i
for k = 1 to j
PRINT(i,j,k)

Ans:

 $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{20} = 3$  $x_i \ge 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, 20.$ 

Once the three integers are selected, we assign the largest one to i, the smallest one to k and the third one to j.

- 5. (10 points) For each of the following deductive arguments, translate it into propositional logic notation using logical operators  $(\neg, \lor, \land, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow)$ , and then identify the premises (hypotheses) and conclusions, followed by a validity test.
  - (a) Either A or B is telling the truth. Either C or B is lying. Thus either A is telling the truth or C is lying.

Ans: It is valid The arguments can be written as:

p: A is telling the truth.q: B is telling the truth.r: C is telling the truth.

1.  $p \lor q$ 2.  $\neg r \lor \neg q$ Therefore,  $p \lor \neg r$ .

From (1), either p is true, or q is true. If q is true,  $\neg r$  is true (from (2)). In this case the conclusion is true. If q is false, p is true. In this case also the conclusion is true.

(b) The main course will be chicken or fish. The vegetable will be carrots and broccoli. We will not have both fish as a main course and broccoli as a vegetable. Therefore, we will not have both chicken as a main course and carrots as a vegetable.

Ans: It is not valid. The arguments can be written as:

p: The main course will be chicken.

q: The main course will be fish.

r: Carrots will be served.

s: Broccoli will be served.

1. 
$$p \lor q$$
  
2.  $r \land s$   
3.  $\neg(q \land s)$   
Therefore,  $\neg(p \land r)$ 

From (2), r and s are both true. Due to (3) and s is true, q is false. Therefore from (1), p is true, since q is false. This implies that  $p \wedge r$  is true. Therefore  $\neg(p \wedge r)$  is false.

6. (5 points) Let p, q be primitive statements for which the implication p → q is false. Determine the truth values for each of the following.
(a) p ∧ q, (b) ¬p ∨ q, (c) q → p (d) ¬q → ¬p.

## Answer:

Since  $p \to q$  is false, we know that p is true and q is false. Therefore,

- $p \wedge q$  is false.
- $\neg p \lor q$  is false.
- $q \rightarrow p$  is true.
- $\neg q \rightarrow \neg p$  is false.
- 7. (5 points) Determine a truth value assignment, if any, for the primitive statements p, q, r, s, t that make each of the following statements false. I have used  $\oplus$  to indicate **exclusive-or** connective.
  - (a)  $[(p \land q) \land r] \to (s \lor t)$ Answer:

Clearly, we need to set the left side of the implication statement to false. This is achieved when p, q and r are set to true, and s and t are set to false.

(b)  $[p \land (q \land r)] \rightarrow (s \oplus t)$ Answer:

We can make the implication false by setting p, q and r true and setting

 $s \oplus t$  false. We know that  $s \oplus t$  is false when both s and t are true, or both s and t are false.

8. (10 points) We have seen in the class that any compound statement can be transformed to an equivalent statement involving only  $\neg, \lor$  and  $\land$  connectives. Show that  $p \oplus q$  is equivalent to  $(p \lor q) \land \neg (p \lor q)$ . Proving equivalence through truth table is not acceptable.

## Answer:

The answer to the question as presented is  $p \oplus q$  cannot be equivalent to  $(p \lor q) \land \neg (p \lor q)$ . Clearly,  $(p \lor q) \land \neg (p \lor q)$  is always false because it is of type  $r \land \neg r$ .

However, as shown below,  $p \oplus q$  is equivalent to  $(p \lor q) \land \neg (p \land q)$ .

We know that  $p \oplus q$  is true when p is true and q is false, or p is false and q is true. Using the techniques developed in the class, we know that  $p \oplus q$  is equivalent to  $(p \land \neg q) \lor (\neg p \land q)$ . We have shown in the class that  $(p \land \neg q) \land (\neg p \land q)$  is then equivalent to  $(p \lor q) \land \neg (p \land q)$ .