

# PROBLEM SET 10: FINAL REVIEW

CS 198-087: INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICAL THINKING  
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This homework will not be collected. Instead, we intend it to be practice for the upcoming final. **This homework is not comprehensive; we highly encourage you to review material from before the midterm.**

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1. Prove that  $\gcd(a, b) \cdot \text{lcm}(a, b) = a \cdot b$ .
2. Determine the following inverses.
  - a.  $13^{-1} \pmod{33}$
  - b.  $15^{-1} \pmod{24}$
  - c.  $19^{-1} \pmod{90}$

Use the modular exponentiation techniques we've seen in previous homeworks (FLT, extended FLT, repeated squaring) to evaluate the following quantities.

3.
  - a.  $18^{12} \pmod{26}$
  - b.  $9^{122} \pmod{143}$
  - c.  $8^{67} \pmod{15}$
  - d.  $10^{35} \pmod{17}$
4. Determine the following quantities.
  - a. The number of subsets of  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 50\}$  that are not subsets of  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 10\}$  or  $\{2, 4, 6, 8, \dots, 48, 50\}$
  - b. The number of multiples of 5, 7 or 12 that are less than or equal to  $5^3 \cdot 7^3 \cdot 12^3$
  - c. The number of factors of 1400 that are not multiples of  $2^2 \cdot 7$

Suppose I have 100 \$1 dollar bills that I want to distribute between three of my friends, LeBron, Lonzo and Lance.

How many ways can this be done...

5.
  - a. In general, with no restrictions (other than that everyone receives some non-negative integer amount)?
  - b. If everyone receives at least \$1?

- c. If everyone receives at least \$ $x$ , for  $0 \leq x \leq 33$ ?
  - d. Such that LeBron and Lonzo receive the same amount? (*Hint: How can we format this as solving the number of solutions to  $x + y = 50$ ?*)
  - e. Such that any two of them receive the same amount?
  - f. Such that LeBron receives at least \$ $x$ , and Lavar receives at most \$ $y$ ?
6. Triangular numbers are numbers in the set  $\{1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 21, \dots\}$ . The  $n$ -th triangular number, for  $n \geq 1$ , is given by  $\binom{n+1}{2}$ .
- a. Determine a closed form expression for

$$1 + 3 + 6 + 10 + \dots + \binom{n+1}{2} = \sum_{k=2}^{n+1} \binom{k}{2}$$

using the fact that  $\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$ . It should be a cubic polynomial in  $n$ .

- b. Prove your closed form expression holds using induction.
7. a. Let  $f(x) = 5x^3 - 4x^2 + 16x - 3$  have roots  $r_1, r_2, r_3$ . Find  $r_1^2 r_2 r_3 + r_1 r_2^2 r_3 + r_1 r_2 r_3^2$ .
- b. Find all values of  $m$  such that  $2x^2 - mx - 8$  has roots that differ by  $m - 1$ .
  - c. Suppose  $a$  and  $b$  satisfy  $x^2 - mx + 2 = 0$ . Also, suppose  $a + \frac{1}{b}$  and  $b + \frac{1}{a}$  satisfy  $x^2 - px + q = 0$ . Determine  $q$  in terms of  $a, b, p, m$ .
8. In each of the following expansions, find the coefficient of  $x^{13}$ .
- a.  $(x^3 - \frac{1}{x})^7$
  - b.  $(x^5 - 1)^6(2x^2 + 3x)^3$

Let's compare decimal approximations using both the Binomial Theorem and a Taylor Series approximation. Suppose we want to estimate  $\sqrt{37}$ .

- 9. a. Approximate  $\sqrt{37}$  by finding the first three terms of the Taylor Series approximation of  $f(x)$  centered around  $a = 36$ , letting  $x = 1$ .
  - b. Approximate  $\sqrt{37}$  by expanding the first three terms of the binomial expansion of  $(36 + 1)^{1/2}$ .
  - c. What do you notice?
10. Determine the polynomial that interpolates  $S = \{(1, 4), (2, 6), (5, 3)\}$  under
- a. mod 7
  - b. mod 11