

Math 374. Exam 3. 4/17/09.

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- Read problems carefully. Show all work.
- No notes, calculator, or text.
- The exam is approximately 15 percent of the total grade.
- There are 100 points total. Partial credit may be given.
- Do not multiply out high powers, factorials, or binomial symbols.

1. (20 points) Short answer.

(a) (10 points) Let \emptyset denote the empty set, and let $S = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$.
Find the power set of S .

$$\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}, \{\{\emptyset\}\}, \underbrace{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}}_S\}$$

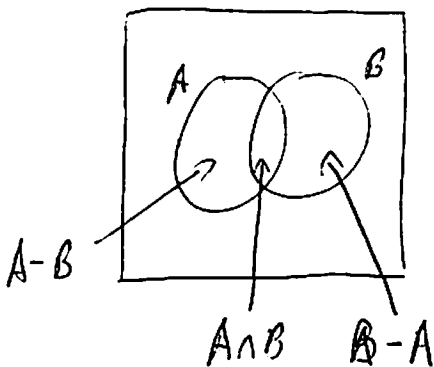
(b) (10 points) Let A and B be sets. Suppose that

$$A - B = \{1, 5, 7, 8\},$$

$$A \cap B = \{3, 6, 9\},$$

$$B - A = \{2, 4, 10\}.$$

Find the sets A and B . It may help to draw a **Venn Diagram**.



$$A = \{1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}.$$

$$B = \{2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 10\}.$$

2. (20 points) Short answer.

- (a) (10 points) A jar has 5 red marbles and 7 blue marbles. Find the number of ways to select 3 marbles of the same color from the jar. (In other words, we want the number of ways to select either 3 red marbles or 3 blue marbles.)

$$\binom{5}{3} + \binom{7}{3}$$

- (b) (10 points) A committee of size 7 is to be formed from people in groups A and B . Group A has size 11, and group B has size 14. How many ways are there to form the committee if **at least one member** must come from group A ?

$$\binom{25}{7} - \binom{14}{7}$$

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total # ways # ways with no one from group A .

3. (10 points) Each house in a row of n houses is assigned a distinct number between 25 and 100 inclusive. What is the smallest value of n needed to ensure that there are at least two houses numbered consecutively? Use the Pigeonhole Principle.

$$100 - 25 + 1 = 76, \quad \frac{76}{2} = 38; \quad \text{We need } \boxed{39}$$

$$\underbrace{\{25, 26\}, \dots, \{99, 100\}}_{38 \text{ pairs.}}$$

4. (10 points) In a survey of 100 college students, it is found that

- 33 like brussels sprouts. ← S
- 29 like broccoli. ← B
- 41 like cauliflower. ← C
- 15 like brussels sprouts and broccoli. SAB
- 18 like brussels sprouts and cauliflower. SAC
- 23 like broccoli and cauliflower, and BAC
- 9 like all three vegetables. ← SABAC.

How many of the 100 students do not like any of these vegetables?

Use the Principle of Inclusion and Exclusion.

$$|S \cup B \cup C| = \underbrace{33 + 29 + 41}_{103} - (15 + 18 + 23) + 9 = \boxed{56}$$

$$100 - 56 = \boxed{44}$$

5. (20 points) Short answer.

(a) (10 points) How many ways can 17 doctors and 12 lawyers stand in line so that no two lawyers stand next to each other?

$$17! \cdot P(18, 12) = 17! \cdot \frac{18!}{6!}$$

(b) (10 points) How many distinct permutations of the letters in the word "RECURRENCE" start with the letter "N"?

$$\frac{N}{\underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_{9 \text{ others}}} \quad \frac{9!}{3! \cdot 3! \cdot 2! \cdot 1!}$$

6. (20 points) Short answer.

(a) (10 points) Find the coefficient of x^6y^3 in $(2x - 5y)^9$. Use the **Binomial Theorem**.

$$\underbrace{\binom{9}{k} (2x)^k (-5y)^{9-k}}_{k \text{th term}}, \quad n=9, \quad k=6: \quad \binom{9}{6} 2^6 (-5)^3$$

(b) (10 points) Use the **Binomial Theorem** to show that

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{1}{2^k} = \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \cdots + \binom{n}{k} \cdot \frac{1}{2^k} + \cdots + \binom{n}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{2^n} = (3/2)^n.$$

$$(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k y^{n-k}. \quad \text{Let } x = \frac{1}{2}, \quad y = 1.$$