

QUIZ 2: 110 Minutes

Answer **ALL** questions.

NO COLLABORATION or electronic devices. Any violations result in an F.

NO questions allowed during the test. Interpret and do the best you can.

GOOD LUCK!

You **MUST** show **CORRECT** work to get full credit.

When in doubt, **TINKER**.

1	2	3	Total
150	25	25	200

1 Circle one answer per question. 15 points for each correct answer.

(a) Let C_n be the cycle graph on n vertices. What is $\chi(C_n)$?

☐ A 2

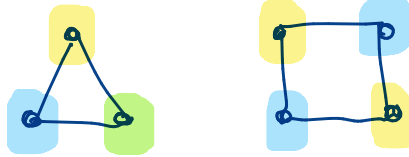
☐ B 3

☐ C 4

☒ D None of the above.

☒ E Not enough information.

$$\chi(C_n) = \begin{cases} 2, & 2 \mid n \\ 3, & 2 \nmid n \end{cases} \quad (n > 1), \text{ e.g.}$$



either is fine

(b) How many functions $f: \{1, \dots, 5\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, 10\}$ are strictly increasing?

☐ A $\binom{14}{4}$

☐ B $\binom{14}{5}$

☐ C $\binom{15}{5}$

☐ D $\binom{15}{9}$

☒ E None of the above.

$f(1) < f(2) < \dots < f(5)$ correspond 1-1 with selecting 5 elements from $[10]$,

so $\boxed{\binom{10}{5}}$

(c) A social network has seven people A, B, ..., G. Summing up the number of friends of each person in the network gives 26. How many different such social networks are there?

☐ A $7 \cdot 13$

☐ B $\frac{13!}{6!}$

☐ C $2^{\binom{7}{2}/26}$

☐ D $\binom{7}{26}$

☒ E None of the above.

There are $\binom{7}{2}$ possible edges in a graph w/ 7 vertices. From handshaking thm, $|E| = \frac{\sum d_i}{2} = 13$

so choosing 13 edges from $\binom{7}{2}$ possible $\Rightarrow \boxed{\binom{\binom{7}{2}}{13}}$

(d) A vase contains r red balls and b blue balls. A ball is chosen at random from the vase, its color is noted, and it is returned to the vase together with d more balls of the same color. This is repeated indefinitely. What is the probability that the second ball is blue?

☐ A $\frac{b}{b+r+d}$

☒ B $\frac{b}{b+r}$

☐ C $\frac{b+d}{b+r+d}$

☐ D $\frac{b+d}{b+r}$

☐ E None of the above.

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{second ball is blue}) &= P(b|b)P(b) + P(b|r)P(r) \\ &= \frac{b}{b+r} \cdot \frac{b+d}{b+d+r} + \frac{r}{b+r} \cdot \frac{b}{b+r+d} \\ &= \frac{b^2 + bd + rb}{(b+r)(b+d+r)} = \frac{b(b+d+r)}{(b+r)(b+d+r)} = \frac{b}{b+r} \end{aligned}$$

- (e) You randomly choose two gloves, without replacement, from a drawer with seven pairs of gloves. What is the probability that the gloves are a matching pair?

- ☐ A $1/14$
☒ B $1/13$
☒ C $7/\binom{14}{2}$
☐ D $14/\binom{14}{2}$
☐ E None of the above

$$P(\text{match}) = P(\text{second glove matches first}) = \frac{1}{13}$$

either is
 $(7/\binom{14}{2}) = \frac{1}{13}$
 fine

- (f) The first round of a karate tournament pairs the fighters into groups of two. If there are 16 fighters, how many ways are there of forming the first round?

- ☐ A $\frac{16!}{8!2}$
☐ B $\binom{16}{2}\binom{14}{2}\dots\binom{2}{2}$
☐ C $\binom{21}{7}$
☐ D $\binom{21}{16}$
☒ E None of the above.

each round can be obtained by permuting $1, \dots, 16$ and splitting into eight pairs. but the order of those eight pairs don't matter, and the order of the elements in each of the eight pairs don't matter, so you get

$$\frac{16!}{2^8 8!}$$

- (g) Of 50 students in Ethics, Statistics, and Circuits and Systems, the number failing each combination of courses is shown. How many students passed all the courses?

E	S	C	ES	EC	SC	ESC
10	5	5	2	4	2	1

- ☐ A 28
☐ B 31
☐ C 35
☒ D 37
☐ E None of the above

$$\begin{aligned} |E^c \cap S^c \cap C^c| &= 50 - |E \cup S \cup C| \\ &= 50 - (|E| + |S| + |C| - |ES| - |EC| - |SC| + |ESC|) \\ &= 50 - (10 + 5 + 5 - 2 - 4 - 2 + 1) \\ &= 50 - (13) = 37 \end{aligned}$$

- (h) A bag has 4 coins: two 2-headed coins, a 2-tailed coin, and a regular fair coin. Randomly pick a coin and place it on the table. You see a heads facing up. What is the probability that the side facing down is heads?

- ☐ A $1/4$
☐ B $1/2$
☐ C $3/4$
☒ D $4/5$
☐ E None of the above

$$P(\text{two-headed} | \text{head}) = \frac{P(\text{two-headed} \cap \text{head})}{P(\text{head})}$$

$$= \frac{P(\text{two-headed})}{P(\text{head})}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & [P(\text{head} | \text{two-headed})P(\text{two-headed}) + \\ & P(\text{head} | \text{two-tailed})P(\text{two-tailed}) + \\ & P(\text{head} | \text{fair})P(\text{fair})] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{2/4}{2/4 \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{4}{5} \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Independently generate a length five binary string $b_0b_1\cdots b_4$ with $\mathbb{P}[b_i = 0] = 1/2$ for each i . What is the probability that the string is sorted from low to high?

☐ A $5/32$

☒ B $3/16$

☐ C $1/8$

☐ D $1/2$

☐ E None of the above

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(\text{string sorted low to high}) &= \mathbb{P}(\{00000, 00001, \\ &\quad 00011, 00111, \\ &\quad 01111, 11111\}) \\ &= \frac{6}{2^5} = \frac{6}{32} = \frac{3}{16} \end{aligned}$$

- (j) A bucket contains twenty dates. Fifteen of these dates have had their seed removed. A sly dog eats five dates, selected at random. Subsequently, a date is randomly selected from the remaining dates. What is the probability that this date contains a seed?

☐ A $\sum_{k=0}^5 \frac{\binom{5}{k} \frac{5-k}{15}}{\binom{20}{5}}$

☐ B $\sum_{k=0}^5 \frac{\binom{5}{k} \frac{5-k}{15}}{\binom{20}{k}}$

☐ C $\sum_{k=0}^5 \frac{\binom{5}{k} \frac{5-k}{20}}{\binom{20}{5}}$

☐ D $\sum_{k=0}^5 \frac{\binom{5}{k} \frac{5-k}{20}}{\binom{20}{k}}$

☒ E None of the above

$$\mathbb{P}\{\text{date 6 has a seed}\} = \sum_{k=0}^5 \mathbb{P}[\text{date 6 has a seed} \mid \text{dog ate } k \text{ seeds}] \times \mathbb{P}\{\text{dog ate } k \text{ seeds}\}$$

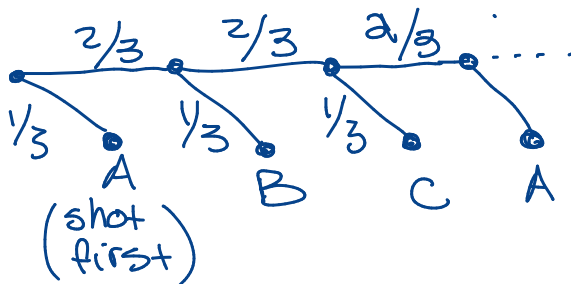
$$= \sum_{k=0}^5 \frac{5-k}{20-5} \cdot \frac{\binom{5}{k} \binom{15}{5-k}}{\binom{20}{5}}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^5 \frac{5-k}{15} \frac{\binom{5}{k} \binom{15}{5-k}}{\binom{20}{5}}$$

btw, this simplifies to $\frac{1}{4}$

- 2 Three monkeys A, B, C have a 6-shooter pistol loaded with 2 bullets. Starting with A, each spins the bullet-wheel to a chamber uniformly randomly selected from the six chambers and shoots their foot. They repeat this process cyclically in the order A, B, then C, until there are no bullets left. Compute probabilities p_A, p_B, p_C for each monkey to be the first shot.

Draw a probability tree:



See that

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_A &= \text{TP}(A \text{ shot first}) = \text{TP}(\text{gun first fires at shot } 1, 4, 7, \dots) \\
 &= \text{TP}(\text{gun first fires at time in } \{k : k = 3t + 1 \text{ for } t \geq 0\}) \\
 &= \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{3t} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{8}{27}\right)^t = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{1 - 8/27}\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{27}{19} = \frac{9}{19}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_B &= \text{TP}(B \text{ shot first}) = \text{TP}(\text{gun first fires at time } k = 3t + 2 \text{ for } t \geq 0) \\
 &= \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{3t+1} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{2}{9} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{8}{27}\right)^t = \frac{2}{9} \cdot \frac{27}{19} = \frac{6}{19}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_C &= \text{TP}(\text{gun first fires at time } k = 3t \text{ for } t \geq 1) \\
 &= \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{3t-1} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{8}{27}\right)^t = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{27}{19} - 1\right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{9}{19}\right] = \frac{4}{19} \quad \leftarrow \text{of course you could use } P_C = 1 - P_A - P_B
 \end{aligned}$$

$$P_A = \frac{9}{19} > P_B = \frac{6}{19} > P_C = \frac{4}{19}$$

- 3 Label the vertices of K_{15} with the integers $1, \dots, 15$, and construct a graph G by adding a vertex 16 and adding edges connecting it to vertices 5, 10, and 15. How many perfect matchings are there on G ?

A perfect matching on G must match vertex 16 with vertex 5, 10, or 15. Notice that matching 16 to any of these three vertices leaves a copy of K_{14} that must be matched, so the total number of perfect matchings on G is three times the number of perfect matchings on K_{14} .

To count the perfect matching on K_{14} , use the following counting argument:

- each matching can be obtained by permuting $1, \dots, 14$ and partitioning this list into 7 pairs
- this mapping from permutations of $[14]$ to matchings has multiplicity $2^7 7!$

So we see there are

$$\frac{3 \cdot 14!}{2^7 7!}$$

perfect matchings on G .

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