

## Final Exam, Math 6105

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Throughout this test you must **show your work**.

- Use the repeated subtraction method to find the base 4 representation of each of the following numbers
  - 93  
**Solution:**  $1131_4 = 93$ .
  - 17.25  
**Solution:**  $101.1_4 = 17.25$ .
- Use the method of repeated multiplication to find a base 4 representation of each of the following numbers
  - 0.275  
**Solution:**  $0.10\overline{12}_4 = 0.275$ .
  - $29/64$   
**Solution:**  $0.131_4 = 29/64$
- Find the base  $-4$  representation of each of the following numbers
  - 93  
**Solution:**  $13211_{-4} = 93$ .
  - 17.25  
**Solution:**  $102.3_{-4} = 17.25$ .
- Find the Fibonacci representation of each of the following numbers
  - 93  
**Solution:**  $93 = 89 + 3 + 1 = 1000000101_f$ .
  - 180  
**Solution:**  $180 = 144 + 34 + 2 = 10010000010_f$ .
- You're playing the game  $N_d(k)$  and your opponent has just left you the position  $(93, 6)$ . Do you have a good move? Explain.  
**Solution:** You can assure a win by moving to either  $(89, 8)$  or to  $(92, 2)$ .
- Consider the game of Bouton's nim with pile sizes 19, 24, 25, 27, 35.
  - Find the binary representation<sup>1</sup> of each pile size.  
**Solution:**  $19 = 10011_2$ ;  $24 = 11000_2$ ;  $25 = 11001_2$ ;  $27 = 11011_2$ ; and  $35 = 100011_2$ .

- (b) Find the binary configuration of the game. That is, write these binary numbers in a column and compute their nim sum.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{array}{rcccccl}
 19 & = & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\
 24 & = & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 25 & = & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
 27 & = & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\
 35 & = & \underline{1} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} & \underline{1} & \underline{1} \\
 & & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0
 \end{array}$$

- (c) Notice that the binary configuration is not balanced since the nim sum of the pile sizes is not zero. Find a move which results in a balanced binary configuration. Is there just one such move or are there several?

**Solution:** There is just one winning move, and  $(19, 24, 25, 27, 35) \mapsto (19, 24, 25, 27, 9)$ .

- (d) Suppose you made a move which balances the configuration. Assume your opponent takes one counter from the same pile as the one from which you removed counters. What move do you make now?

**Solution:** The three winning moves are  $(19, 24, 25, 27, 8) \mapsto (18, 24, 25, 27, 8)$ ;  $(19, 24, 25, 27, 8) \mapsto (19, 24, 24, 27, 8)$ ; and  $(19, 24, 25, 27, 8) \mapsto (19, 24, 25, 26, 8)$

7. Find the number of positive integer divisors of the number  $10!$ . Explain how you got your answer.

**Solution:** First factor  $10!$  to get  $10! = 7 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 3^4 \cdot 2^8$ . Therefore, by the divisor counting formula,  $|D_{10!}| = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 9 = 270$ .

8. Find the remainder when each of the following numbers is divided by 6.

(a)  $N = 123,456,789,101,112$

**Solution:** Since  $N$  is both even and a multiple of 3, it follows that  $N \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$ .

(b)  $N = 5^{2004}$

**Solution:** First note that  $5 \equiv -1 \pmod{6}$ . It follows that  $5^{2004} \equiv (-1)^{2004} = 1 \pmod{6}$ .

(c)  $N = 3^{2001} \cdot 5^{2004} \cdot 7^{2005}$

**Solution:**  $N$  is an odd multiple of 3. Therefore  $N \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$ .

9. How many of the first 1000 positive integers have an odd number of positive integer divisors? Explain your work.

**Solution:** We know that a number has an odd number of divisors precisely when it is a perfect square. There are 31 perfect squares in the set  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 1000\}$ .

10. Look at the four equations below.

$$\begin{aligned}2 &= 2 \cdot 1 \\2 + 4 &= 3 \cdot 2 \\2 + 4 + 6 &= 4 \cdot 3 \\2 + 4 + 6 + 8 &= 5 \cdot 4\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Write the next three equations in the sequence.

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}2 + 4 + 6 + 8 + 10 &= 6 \cdot 5 \\2 + 4 + 6 + 8 + 10 + 12 &= 7 \cdot 6 \\2 + 4 + 6 + 8 + 10 + 12 + 14 &= 8 \cdot 7\end{aligned}$$

- (b) If the four equations above correspond to  $k = 1, 2, 3,$  and  $4,$  what is the  $n^{\text{th}}$  equation?

**Solution:**

$$2 + 4 + 6 + 8 \dots + 2n = (n + 1) \cdot n$$

- (c) Prove by mathematical induction that the  $n^{\text{th}}$  equation is true for all integers  $n \geq 1.$

**Solution:** The base case:  $2 = (1 + 1) \cdot 1.$  Assume  $P(n) : 2 + 4 + 6 + 8 \dots + 2n = (n + 1) \cdot n.$  To prove  $P(n + 1) : 2 + 4 + 6 + 8 \dots + 2n + 2(n + 1) = (n + 2) \cdot (n + 1),$  start with the left side and replace the sum of the first  $n$  terms with the right side of  $P(n).$  Thus  $2 + 4 + 6 + 8 \dots + 2n + 2(n + 1) = (2 + 4 + \dots + 2n) + 2(n + 1) = (n + 1) \cdot n + 2(n + 1) = (n + 1)(n + 2),$  which is the right side of  $P(n + 1).$  By mathematical induction, it follows that  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq 1.$

11. Solve the decanting problem for containers of sizes 138 and 147; that is find integers  $x$  and  $y$  satisfying  $138x + 147y = d$  where  $d$  is the GCD of 138 and 147.

**Solution:** By repeated division,  $x = 16$  and  $y = -15.$

12. Find a relation  $R$  on the set  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  satisfying each of the following conditions. Find one relation for each part.

- (a)  $R_1$  has exactly 5 ordered pairs members and is transitive.  
**Solution:** Of course there are many correct answers. One is  $R_1 = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (1, 2)\}$ .
- (b)  $R_2$  has exactly 5 ordered pairs members and is not transitive.  
**Solution:** Again there are many correct answers. One is  $R_1 = \{(1, 1), (4, 4), (3, 3), (2, 1), (1, 2)\}$ .
- (c)  $R_3$  is symmetric and has exactly 6 ordered pairs members.  
**Solution:** Again there are many correct answers. One is  $R_1 = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (4, 3), (3, 4), (2, 1), (1, 2)\}$ .
- (d)  $R_4$  is an equivalence relation with exactly 6 ordered pairs members.  
**Solution:** The partition  $\{1, 2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}$  induces an equivalence relation with  $4 + 1 + 1 = 6$  ordered pairs.
- (e)  $R_5$  is a partially ordered set with exactly 9 ordered pairs members.  
**Solution:** Consider the poset with 4 maximal, 3 below 4, and 1 and 2 tied below 3. The relation has 9 members.