



Combinatorics 1  
MAD4203

Class-B

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**B1:** Show no work.

Write **DNE** in a blank if the described object does not exist or if the indicated operation cannot be performed.

**a** The physics lab has atomic *zinc, tin, silver* and *gold*. I'm allowed to take 6 atoms, so I have [expressed as single integer] many possibilities.

**b** Equality  $\binom{60}{17, 21, 22} = \binom{60}{21} \cdot \binom{N}{K}$  suggests that  $N =$  and  $K =$ .

**c** The coeff of  $x^7 y^{12}$  in  $[5x + y^3 + 1]^{30}$  is .

[You may write in form number times multinomial-coeff. You can leave the multinomial-coeff as such, or write ITOf factorials.]

**d** Given sets with cardinalities  $|B| = 8$  and  $|E| = 5$ , the number of non-constant fncs in  $B^E$  is .

**e** Mimicking what we did in class: From the  $987 \times 200$  game-board, cut-out (remove) the  $(35, 150)$ -cell and one other cell at  $P = (x, y)$ . Circle those choices for  $P$ ,

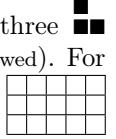
$(150, 160), (14, 35), (66, 77), (195, 15), (123, 4)$   
which, if removed, would leave a board that *definitely cannot* be domino-tiled.

OYOP: *In grammatical English sentences, write your essays on every third line* (usually), so that I can easily write between the lines.

**B2:** Give a careful bijective proof of:

Thm: Fix a natnum  $N \geq 2$ . Then

$$* \quad [N^2 - N] \cdot 2^{N-2} = \sum_{k=2}^N [k^2 - k] \cdot \binom{N}{k}.$$

**B3:** An *Lmino* (pron. “ell-mino”) comprises three squares in an “L” shape (all four orientations are allowed). For natnum  $N$ , let  $\mathbf{R}_N$  denote the  $3 \times N$  board: I.e.,  is the  $\mathbf{R}_5$  board. Prove:

Theorem: When  $N$  is odd, then board  $\mathbf{R}_N$  is not Lmino-tilable.

You will likely want to first *state* and *prove* a Lemma. Now use appropriate induction on  $N$  to prove the thm. Also: *Illustrate your proof* with (probably several) large, labeled pictures.

End of Class-B

**B1:** \_\_\_\_\_ 125pts

**B2:** \_\_\_\_\_ 45pts

**B3:** \_\_\_\_\_ 75pts

**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_ 245pts

Please PRINT your *name* and *ordinal*. Ta:

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**HONOR CODE:** “I have neither requested nor received help on this exam other than from my professor.”

Signature:

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