

**Number Sets.** An expression such as  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  (read as “ $k$  is an element of  $\mathbb{N}$ ” or “ $k$  in  $\mathbb{N}$ ”) means that  $k$  is a natural number; a **natnum**.

$\mathbb{N}$  = natural numbers =  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ .

$\mathbb{Z}$  = integers =  $\{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, \dots\}$ . For the set  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  of positive integers, the **posints**, use  $\mathbb{Z}_+$ . Use  $\mathbb{Z}_-$  for the negative integers, the **negints**.

$\mathbb{Q}$  = rational numbers =  $\{\frac{p}{q} \mid p \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ . Use  $\mathbb{Q}_+$  for the positive **ratnums** and  $\mathbb{Q}_-$  for the negative ratnums.

$\mathbb{R}$  = reals. The **posreals**  $\mathbb{R}_+$  and the **negreals**  $\mathbb{R}_-$ .

$\mathbb{C}$  = complex numbers, also called the **complexes**.

An “*interval of integers*”  $[b..c)$  means the intersection  $[b, c) \cap \mathbb{Z}$ ; ditto for open and closed intervals. So  $[e..2\pi] = \{3, 4, 5, 6\} = [3..6] = (2..6]$ . We allow  $b$  and  $c$  to be  $\pm\infty$ ; so  $(-\infty..-1]$  is  $\mathbb{Z}_-$ .

Floor function:  $\lfloor \pi \rfloor = 3$ ,  $\lfloor -\pi \rfloor = -4$ . Ceiling fnc:  $\lceil \pi \rceil = 4$ . Absolute value:  $|-6| = 6 = |6|$  and  $|-5 + 2i| = \sqrt{29}$ .

**Mathematical objects.** Seq: ‘sequence’.  $\text{poly}(s)$ : ‘polynomial( $s$ )’. irred: ‘irreducible’. Coeff: ‘coefficient’ and  $\text{var}(s)$ : ‘variable( $s$ )’ and  $\text{parm}(s)$ : ‘parameter( $s$ )’. Expr.: ‘expression’. Fnc: ‘function’ (so  $\text{ratfnc}$ : means rational function, a ratio of polynomials). cty: ‘continuity’. cts: ‘continuous’. diff’able: ‘differentiable’. CoV: ‘Change-of-Variable’. Col: ‘Constant of Integration’. Lol: ‘Limit( $s$ ) of Integration’.

Soln: ‘Solution’. Thm: ‘Theorem’. Prop’n: ‘Proposition’. CEX: ‘Counterexample’. eqn: ‘equation’. RhS: ‘RightHand Side’ of an eqn or inequality. LhS: ‘left-hand side’. Sqrt or Sqroot: ‘square-root’, e.g, “the sqroot of 16 is 4”. Ptn: ‘partition’, but pt: ‘point’, as in “a fixed-pt of a map”.

FTC: ‘Fund. Thm of Calculus’. IVT: ‘intermediate-Value Thm’. MVT: ‘Mean-Value Thm’.

The **logarithm** fnc, defined for  $x > 0$ , is  $\log(x) := \int_1^x \frac{dv}{v}$ . Its inverse-fnc is **exp()**. For  $x > 0$ , then,  $\exp(\log(x)) = x = e^{\log(x)}$ . For real  $t$ , naturally,  $\log(\exp(t)) = t = \log(e^t)$ . PolyExp: ‘**Polynomial-times-exponential**’. E.g,  $F(t) := [3 + t^2] \cdot e^{4t}$  is a polyExp.

**Phrases.** WLOG: ‘Without loss of generality’. TFAE: ‘The following are equivalent’. ITOf: ‘In Terms Of’. OTForm: ‘of the form’. FTSOC: ‘For the sake of contradiction’. Use iff: ‘if and only if’.

IST: ‘It Suffices to’ as in ISTShow, ISTExhibit.

Use w.r.t: ‘with respect to’ and s.t: ‘such that’.

**Latin:** e.g: *exempli gratia*, ‘for example’. i.e: *id est*, ‘that is’. N.B: *Nota bene*, ‘Note well’. QED: *quod erat demonstrandum*, meaning “end of proof”.

**Factorial.** Def:  $n! := n \cdot [n-1] \cdot [n-2] \cdots 2 \cdot 1$ ; so  $0! = 1$ .

**Rising Fctr:**  $\llbracket x \uparrow K \rrbracket := x \cdot [x+1] \cdot [x+2] \cdots [x+[K-1]]$ ,

**Falling Fctr:**  $\llbracket x \downarrow K \rrbracket := x \cdot [x-1] \cdot [x-2] \cdots [x-[K-1]]$ ,

for natnum  $K$  and  $x \in \mathbb{C}$ . E.g,  $\llbracket K \downarrow K \rrbracket = K! = \llbracket 1 \uparrow K \rrbracket$ .

N.B: For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ : If  $K > n$  then  $\llbracket n \downarrow K \rrbracket = 0$ .

Note  $\llbracket x \uparrow K \rrbracket = \llbracket x + [K-1] \downarrow K \rrbracket$ .

**Summation function.** Given a function  $f$  on  $\mathbb{N}$ , its **summation function** is

$$1a: \quad \widehat{f}(N) := \sum_{n \in [0..N]} f(n).$$

If  $f$  is a polynomial of degree  $D \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\widehat{f}$  is a polynomial of degree  $D+1$ .

To see this, define the  $K^{\text{th}}$  **binomial polynomial**, for  $K \in \mathbb{N}$ , by

$$1b: \quad \mathcal{B}_K(x) := \frac{x \cdot [x-1] \cdot [x-2] \cdots [x-[K-1]]}{K!},$$

which we may also write as  $\binom{x}{K} = \frac{\llbracket x \downarrow K \rrbracket}{K!}$ . Rewrite the binomial identity  $\binom{n}{K+1} = \binom{n-1}{K+1} + \binom{n-1}{K}$  as

$$\binom{n-1}{K} = \binom{n}{K+1} - \binom{n-1}{K+1}.$$

Summing over  $n$ , and using that  $\binom{0}{K+1} = 0$  [since  $K+1$  is positive] shows that

$$1c: \quad \widehat{\mathcal{B}_K} = \mathcal{B}_{K+1}.$$

The binomial polys  $\{\mathcal{B}_K\}_{K=0}^{\infty}$  form a basis for the vectorspace of polys. Since the  $f \mapsto \widehat{f}$  map is linear, we can compute the summation-poly of arbitrary polynomials.

[ASIDE: Stronger, collection  $\{\mathcal{B}_K\}_{K=0}^{\infty}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis for the set of  $\mathbb{Z}$ -coeff polynomials; however, this fact isn’t obvious.]

**Combinatorial graphs.** Some notation:

General graphs,  $G, H, D, S$ . Empty graph:  $\text{Emp}_N$ .

Complete graph:  $K_N$ . Complete bipartite graph:  $K_{3,5}$ .

Cyclic graph:  $C_N$ . Wheel graph:  $W_{N+1}$ , is a vertex attached to each of the  $N$  vertices of  $C_N$ .

Path-graph  $P$ , which is a special case of a tree-graph,  $T_N$ .

Named graph, e.g, *Tetrahedron*.

## Comb II quizzes so far...

**PB:** Fri. 19Jan With  $a_n := 1 + n^2$ , its

$$\text{OGF } A(x) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n = \dots$$

[Hint: *dddx-trick*]

**PC:** Wed. 31Jan *Am I in class today?*

circle one    *“Yes!”*    *“Of course!”*

**PD:** Mon. 05Feb Perm  $\alpha \in \mathbb{S}_7$  is  $\langle 7 \ 1 \ 4 \ 2 \ 6 \ 3 \ 5 \rangle$ . A particular permutation  $\beta$  satisfying  $\beta^3 = \alpha$ , is

$$\beta = \langle 7 \ \dots \ 2 \rangle.$$

And  $\text{Sgn}(\beta)$  is (circle):  **+1**     **-1**.

**PE:** Fri. 12Feb The coeff of  $x^7 y^{12}$

in  $[5x + y^3 + 1]^{30}$  is  $\dots$ .

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

**PF:** Fri. 02Mar The # of (vertex-labeled)

forests on  $[1..50]$  is  $\dots$ .

**PG:** Wed. 14Mar The number of (labeled) spanning trees

on  $[1..7]$  is  $\dots$ .

On  $[1..N]$ , the number of (labeled) **rooted** spanning forests with  $\geq 2$  components is  $\dots$ .

**PH:** Wed. 28Mar The girls' prefs are:

$$G1 \begin{bmatrix} B2 \\ B1 \\ B5 \\ B4 \\ B3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad G2 \begin{bmatrix} B2 \\ B1 \\ B5 \\ B4 \\ B3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad G3 \begin{bmatrix} B5 \\ B2 \\ B3 \\ B4 \\ B1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad G4 \begin{bmatrix} B5 \\ B2 \\ B3 \\ B1 \\ B4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad G5 \begin{bmatrix} B2 \\ B5 \\ B4 \\ B3 \\ B1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The boys' prefs are:

$$B1 \begin{bmatrix} G1 \\ G2 \\ G3 \\ G4 \\ G5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B2 \begin{bmatrix} G4 \\ G5 \\ G3 \\ G2 \\ G1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B3 \begin{bmatrix} G5 \\ G4 \\ G3 \\ G2 \\ G1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B4 \begin{bmatrix} G3 \\ G5 \\ G1 \\ G4 \\ G2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B5 \begin{bmatrix} G1 \\ G2 \\ G3 \\ G4 \\ G5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Show the steps to compute a Stable-Matching, and the result, when the boys ask the girls. Ditto, when the girls ask the boys.

*That's All, Folks!* (Semester 2)

## Comb I quizzes

**P1:** Wed. 27Sep Let  $G_n$  be the number of coin-flip sequences of length  $2n$ , with “first-return-to-zero” happening at time  $2n$ . Let  $F_n$  count those such sequences that start with HEADS.

Then  $F_{50} =$

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**P2:** Mon. 02Oct The number of diagonal lattice-paths from  $(0, 0)$  to  $(31, 7)$  which *never* touch the  $y=10$  line is

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**P3:** Wed. 04Oct Stirling's Formula says:  $n! \sim$

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*Am I in class today?*

**circle one**   “Yes!”   “Of course!”

**P4:** Mon. 09Oct The 4<sup>th</sup> Bell number is 15. List, in number-of-atoms order, the 15 partitions of  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

**P5:** Wed. 11Oct Permutation  $\beta$  has cycle-signature  $\lceil 5^9 \rceil$ .

It has many 4<sup>th</sup>-roots with sig  $\lceil 5^9 \rceil$ .

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and with sig  $\lceil 20^2, 5^1 \rceil$ .

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[Answers can be a product of multinomials, powers, numbers.]

**P6:** Wed. 25Oct *The Broken Problem:* Handedin = 30pts.

Permutation  $\beta$  has cycle-signature  $\lceil 5^9 \rceil$ .

The # of  $\beta$ -5<sup>th</sup>-roots with sig  $\lceil 20^1, 15^1, 5^2 \rceil$  is

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**P7:** Fri. 27Oct Bipartite graph  $K_{7,2}$  is Eulerian.  $T \quad F$

The number of permutations of  $[1..6]$  which have *neither*  $\langle 4 \ 1 \rangle$

*nor*  $\langle 6 \ 3 \ 2 \rangle$  is

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[Use Incl-Excl form:  $\square - \square + \square - \square + \dots$  as appropriate.]

**PBonus:** Fri. 17Nov The chromatic-poly of a tree  $T$  with 5 vertices

is  $\mathcal{P}_T(x) =$

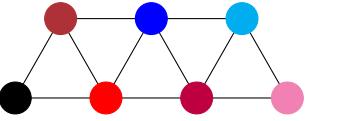
In  $\Omega := [1..100]$ , the number of elements which are a multiple of 3 or 5 (or both) is

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**P8:** Mon. 13Nov

*Truss exercise:* Graph has Chromatic poly  $\mathcal{P}(x) =$

[Can be done by inspection. Express in *chromatic form*.]



**P9:** Mon. 27Nov *Bird with a broken wing:* Graph



has Chromatic

poly  $\mathcal{P}(x) =$

[Can be done by inspection. Do not bother to multiply out.]

**PA:** Wed. 29Nov The number of labeled 6-vertex graphs of type shown on blackboard, is:

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B:

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C:

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*That's All, Folks!* (Semester 1)