

# 國立成功大學

## 115學年度碩士班招生考試試題

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科目：離散數學

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注意：1.不可使用計算機  
2.請於答案卷(卡)作答，於  
試題上作答，不予計分。

1. (10 points) An universal operator is **nor**, defined such that

$$P \text{ nor } Q \Leftrightarrow \neg(P \vee Q).$$

Show how to express  $P \wedge Q$  in terms of: **nor**, **P**, **Q**, and grouping parentheses.

2. (10 points) We define the sequence of numbers

$$a_n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 \leq n \leq 3, \\ a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} + a_{n-3} + a_{n-4} & \text{if } n \geq 4. \end{cases}$$

Prove that  $a_n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .

3. (20 points) An outerplanar graph is an undirected graph for which the vertices can be placed on a circle in such a way that no edges (drawn as straight lines) cross each other. For example, the complete graph on 4 vertices,  $K_4$ , is not outerplanar but any proper subgraph of  $K_4$  with strictly fewer edges is outerplanar.

Prove that any outerplanar graph is **3-colorable**. A fact you may use without proof is that any outerplanar graph has a vertex of degree at most 2.

4. (20 points) Let  $n$  be any integer of the form  $m^2$  for some positive integer  $m$ . Let  $S_n$  be the set of all pairs  $(i, j)$  such that (i)  $i, j$  are non-negative integers, and (ii)  $i^2 + j \leq n$ . Let  $h(n) = |S_n|$ . Determine  $h(n)$ .

5. (a) (10 points) Let

$$f(n) = \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n} (-1)^k k.$$

Prove that

$$f(n) = (-1)^n \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor.$$

- (b) (10 points) Let  $g(n) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{4^k} \binom{n+k-1}{k}$ . Determine  $g(n)$ .

6. (20 points) Let  $T_1, \dots, T_{100}$  be **mutually independent** random variables, where each  $T_i$  represents the fraction of a day a student needs to solve the  $i$ -th homework problem. You only know that for all  $i$ ,

$$0 \leq T_i \leq 1, \mathbb{E}[T_i] = 0.3.$$

Let  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{100} T_i$ . Prove that

$$\Pr\{T > 30e\}$$

is exceedingly small, and derive the **best bound you can** from the given information. (Here  $e$  is Euler's constant.)