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# Assignment 8

The due date for submitting this assignment has passed.

**Due on 2021-03-17, 23:59 IST.**

As per our records you have not submitted this assignment.

- 1) There are  $n$  people at a party. They have all kept their hats in a dark closet. At the end of the party, they all go and randomly take a hat from the closet. Let  $p_n$  be the probability that no person will pick his/her own hat. What is  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n$ ?

**4 points**

- $\frac{1}{\pi}$   
  $\frac{1}{\pi^2}$   
  $\frac{1}{e}$   
  $\frac{1}{e^2}$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

 $\frac{1}{e}$ 

- 2) Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a finite field of order  $m$  (i.e.,  $\mathbb{F}$  has  $m$  elements). Define the family of functions

**4 points**

$$H = \{h_{(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{k-1})} : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{F} \mid a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{k-1} \in \mathbb{F}\}$$

where  $h_{(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{k-1})}(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{k-1}x^{k-1}$ . In other words, every tuple  $(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{k-1}) \in \mathbb{F}^k$  defines a polynomial and  $H$  consists of all these polynomials.

For distinct  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \mathbb{F}$  and for any  $y_1, \dots, y_k \in \mathbb{F}$ , what is  $Pr_{h \in H}[h(x_1) = y_1 \wedge \dots \wedge h(x_k) = y_k]$ ?

- $m(m-2)/m^k$   
  $1/m^{k-1}$   
  $1/m^k$   
 Cannot be determined

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

 $1/m^k$ 

- 3) Which of the following problems are  $\#P$  complete?

**2 points**

- $SAT$   
  $\#SAT$   
  $CLIQUE$   
  $\#CLIQUE$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

 $\#SAT$ 
 $\#CLIQUE$ 

- 4) If the number of solutions to a SAT instance can be computed in polynomial time, then

**4 points**

- $NP \neq coNP$   
  $\Sigma_3^P = \Pi_3^P$   
  $P = PSPACE$   
  $PH$  has a complete problem

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

 $\Sigma_3^P = \Pi_3^P$ 
 $PH$  has a complete problem

- 5) A complexity class  $B$  is said to be 'low' for a complexity class  $A$  if  $A^B = A$  (i.e.,  $A$  with an oracle for  $B$  is equal to  $A$ ). Which of the following classes are low for themselves?

**2 points**

- $P$   
  $NP$   
  $BPP$   
  $\oplus P$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

 $P$ 
 $BPP$ 
 $\oplus P$ 

- 6) Which of the following is a consequence of the Valiant Vazirani theorem?

**6 points**

- If  $USAT$  has a polynomial time algorithm, then  $BPP = RP$   
 If  $USAT$  has a polynomial time algorithm, then  $NP = RP$   
  $NP \subseteq BPP^{\oplus P}$   
  $NP^{\oplus P} \subseteq BPP^{\oplus P}$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

 If  $USAT$  has a polynomial time algorithm, then  $NP = RP$ 
 $NP \subseteq BPP^{\oplus P}$ 
 $NP^{\oplus P} \subseteq BPP^{\oplus P}$ 

- 7) A language  $L$  is in the class  $PP$  iff there exists a probabilistic Turing machine  $M$ , such that

**6 points**

$$\begin{aligned} x \in L &\implies Pr[M(x) = 1] > 1/2 \\ x \notin L &\implies Pr[M(x) = 1] \leq 1/2 \end{aligned}$$

Which of the following statements are true?

- $BPP \subseteq PP$   
  $PP$  is closed under complementation  
  $P^{\#P} = P^{PP}$   
 If  $PP \subseteq \Sigma_i^P$ , then  $PH$  collapses to  $\Sigma_i^P$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

 $BPP \subseteq PP$ 
 $PP$  is closed under complementation

 $P^{\#P} = P^{PP}$ 

 If  $PP \subseteq \Sigma_i^P$ , then  $PH$  collapses to  $\Sigma_i^P$ 

- 8) Suppose you knew that  $PH \subseteq BPP^{\oplus P}$ . Which of the following statements would then imply Toda's theorem?

**2 points**

- $NP^{\oplus P} \subseteq P^{\#P}$   
  $PP^{\oplus P} \subseteq P^{\#P}$   
  $coNP^{\oplus P} \subseteq P^{\#P}$   
  $RP^{\oplus P} \subseteq P^{\#P}$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

 $PP^{\oplus P} \subseteq P^{\#P}$