

1. (15 points) Prove or disprove that for every positive integer n ,

$$C(3n, n) = \sum_{k=0}^n [C(n, k) \cdot C(2n, k)],$$

where $C(n, k)$ is the coefficient of the x^k term in the expansion of $(1 + x)^n$

2. (15 points) In an election with two candidates A and B , if candidate A receives p votes and candidate B receives q votes with $p > q$, what is the probability that A will be strictly ahead of B throughout the count?

3. (15 points) Solve the following recurrence:

$$a_0 = 7, \tag{1}$$

$$a_1 = 13, \tag{2}$$

$$a_n = 2a_{n-1} - a_{n-2} + 2, \text{ for } n \geq 2. \tag{3}$$

4. (20 points) Given the relation $R = \{(a, b) | a \in \mathbb{Z}, b \in \mathbb{Z}, a > b\}$ on the set of integers \mathbb{Z} .

Find

- (a) The symmetric closure of R .
 (b) The transitive closure of R .

5. (15 points) Given a graph G with n vertices. Let s, t be two vertices such that any path from s to t contains at least $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1$ edges. Prove that any two paths from s to t share a common vertex other than s or t .

6. (20 points) Given any integer $n > 2$ and any sequence of n positive integers (d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n) whose sum is exactly $2n - 2$. Prove that there exists some tree T which has this sequence as its degree sequence.

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