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- The exam is CLOSED BOOK, but ONE SHEET of notes is allowed.
- **You must show your work to receive credit.**

1. (30 pts) We want to divide 6 men and 7 women into two teams of 6 people each, plus one referee.
 - (a) How many ways can this be done if the teams have no names?
 - (b) How many ways can this be done if one team is called the “Hackers”, the other is called the (Number) “Crunchers”, and each team must have 3 women and 3 men?

2. (20 pts) Suppose $a_0 = 0$, $a_1 = 1$ and $a_{n+1} = 2a_n - a_{n-1} + 6n$ for $n \geq 1$. Find a simple formula for a_n (not a recursion) and prove it by induction.
Hint: Compute the first few values of a_n and look for a pattern.

3. (15 pts) Suppose $n > 1$ Imagine listing the $n!$ permutations of $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ in direct insertion order. What permutation has rank $n!/2$? *Be sure to explain how you got your answer.*

4. (35 pts) We have an unlimited supply of b different kinds of beads. We want to space k of them uniformly around a circle. (In other word, we want a k -long circular list.)
 - (a) How many ways can this be done when $k = 6$ and all 6 beads must be different?
 - (b) How many ways can this be done when $k = 6$ and there is no restriction on the beads?
Suggestion: Use the Burnside Lemma.

5. (45 pts) Call an $n \times n$ matrix A of zeroes and ones *bad* if there is an index k such that $a_{k,i} = a_{i,k} = 0$ for all i . In other words, the row and column passing through (k, k) consist entirely of zeroes. Let $g(n)$ be the number of $n \times n$ matrices of zeroes and ones which are *not bad*. We want to find $g(n)$ by using inclusion and exclusion.

Let K be a subset of $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$. Let $z(K)$ be the number of matrices A that have $a_{i,j} = 0$ whenever either i or j or both belong to K .

- (a) Explain why $z(K)$ depends only on $|K|$ and n .
- (b) Let $z_k(n) = z(K)$, where K is any subset of $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ with $|K| = k$. (We can do this because of (a).) Obtain a formula for $z_k(n)$.
- (c) Using inclusion and exclusion, express $g(n)$ in terms of the $z_k(n)$. (Recall that $g(n)$ is the number of $n \times n$ (0,1)-matrices which are not bad.)

6. (35 pts) Let t_n be the number of n -vertex RP-trees in which *no vertex has exactly one child* and let $T(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t_n x^n$ be the associated generating function.

- (a) Derive a simple equation for $T(x)$. You **MUST** explain how you derived the equation, but you do *not* need to solve the equation for $T(x)$.
- (b) If the equation you derived in (a) is correct, it can be solved to obtain

$$T(x) = \frac{1 - \sqrt{(1 - 3x)/(1 + x)}}{2}. \quad (\text{You can take this as given.})$$

There are numbers A , B , and C such that $t_n \sim An^B C^n$. Obtain a simple explicit value for C . (You do not need to determine A or B .)

Hint: Use the ideas from Section 12.4.

7. (20 pts) The analysis of the running time of a certain algorithm have n inputs led to the following summation. Estimate $T(n)$

$$T(n) = \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{2^k}{\ln k}.$$