

Homework 1, Morally Due Tue Feb 11, 2020

COURSE WEBSITE:

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1. (0 points but if you do miss the midterm and don't tell Prof Gasarch about it ahead of time, it is -100 points) What is your name? Write it clearly. Staple your HW. When is the midterm tentatively scheduled (give Date and Time)? If you cannot make it in that day/time see me ASAP.
2. (20 points)
 - (a) (10 points) Prove that for every c , for every c coloring of $\binom{\mathbb{N}}{2}$, there is a homogenous set USING a proof similar to what I did in class.
 - (b) (10 points) Prove that for every c , for every c coloring of $\binom{\mathbb{N}}{2}$, there is an infinite homogenous set USING induction on c .
 - (c) (0 points) Which proof do you like better? Which one do you think gives better bound when you finitize it?
3. (30 points) Prove the following theorem rigorously (this is the infinite c -color a -ary Ramsey Theorem):

Theorem 1. *For all $a \geq 1$, for all $c \geq 1$, and for all c -colorings of $\binom{\mathbb{N}}{a}$, there exists an infinite set $A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ such that $\binom{A}{a}$ is monochromatic (A is an infinite homogeneous set).*

The proof should be by induction on a with the base case being $a = 1$.

4. (25 points) State and prove a theorem with the XXX filled in.

For every coloring (any number of colors) of $XXX(n)$ points there is EITHER: (a) a set of n that are all colored the same, or (b) a set of n points that are all colored differently. However!- there IS a coloring of $XXX(n) - 1$ points such that there is NEITHER: (a) a set of n that are all colored the same, or (b) a set of n points that are all colored differently.

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5. (25 points)

Suppose x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots be an infinite increasing sequence of natural numbers. Let $p(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k)$ be any function on natural numbers, and let $q(z)$ be an increasing and unbounded function on the naturals.

Prove that there exists an infinite subsequence y_1, y_2, \dots such that for all $y_{i_1} < y_{i_2} < \dots < y_{i_k} < y_{i_{k+1}}$, $p(y_{i_1}, \dots, y_{i_k}) < q(y_{i_{k+1}})$.