

CSE 321  
Discrete Structures  
Final Exam Topic List

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You may bring one sheet of notes (both sides, handwritten, 8.5 x 11, no magnifying glasses, e-paper, microfilm,...)

The final is comprehensive, but with a slight emphasis on topics covered since the midterm.

The midterm covered chapters 1, 2 and 4, except 4.5, e.g.:

**Logic** propositions,  $\vee, \wedge, \neg, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow$ , tautology, satisfiability, contingency, converse, contrapositive, truth tables, logical equivalences, quantifiers, nesting, scope, free/bound variables. Proofs: vacuous, trivial, direct, contradiction, counterexample. Know the various laws, e.g. Table 6 in Sect 1.2, and know the *names* for associative, commutative, distributive and DeMorgan. Ditto for the analogous Table 1 in 2.2. Know the rules in Tables 1 & 2 in 1.5, and the names for “modus ponens” and “resolution.”

**Sets**  $U, \cap, \cup, \in, \subseteq, \emptyset$ , complement, DeMorgan,  $A \times B$ , cardinality, countable, denumerable, enumerable, enumeration, uncountable, diagonalization.

**Functions** domain, co-domain, range, image, pre-image, composition, in-, sur-, bi-jection, 1-1, onto, inverse. In table 2 of 2.4, the 2nd and 5th summations are particularly useful - memorize them.

**Induction** plain, strong, structural. Recursive definitions and algorithms.

Since the midterm, we’ve covered sections 3.4–3.7, 5.1-5.3; 5.4 through Cor. 1, and Chapter 6, e.g.:

**Number Theory** primes, prime decomposition, gcd, relatively prime, extended gcd ( $as+tb = \gcd(a, b) \dots$ ), Euclidean algorithm, modular arithmetic, Chinese remainder theorem, modular exponentiation, Fermat’s little theorem, RSA, primality testing, pseudo-random generators.

**Counting** Sum and Product rules, inclusion/exclusion, tree diagrams, permutations and combinations, binomial theorem, pigeon hole principle.

**Probability** Sample space, conditional probability, independence, Bernoulli trials, law of total probability, Bayes theorem, random variables, expectation, variance, linearity of expectation, inversions, average case analysis of insertion sort. Independent random variables; linearity of variance for *independent* random variables (but not in general). Distributions: uniform, nonuniform, binomial, geometric.

The List of Symbols inside the covers of the textbook is also a useful review.