

Remember that homework must be handed in at the beginning of class, stapled, on $8\frac{1}{2}'' \times 11''$ paper, and have your complete name and student number in the top right hand corner in order to receive full marks.

Homework Assignment # 1a

Due: 2006-09-18 (Monday)

1. Compute the following:

(a) $\lfloor -13/5 \rfloor$

(h) $\sum_{i=1}^4 i$

(m) $\prod_{i=1}^5 (2)$

(b) $\lceil +13/5 \rceil$

(i) $\sum_{i=1}^3 \left(\sum_{j=1}^3 1 \right)$

(n) $\prod_{i=1}^{20} \left[1 + \frac{i}{17} \right]$

(d) $\lceil +13/5 \rceil$

(j) $\sum_{i=1}^3 \left(\sum_{j=1}^3 i \right)$

(o) $\sum_{i=0}^4 \left\lfloor \frac{5}{2^i} \right\rfloor$

(e) $-\lceil -\lfloor -\pi \rfloor \rceil$

(p) $\binom{6}{0}$

(f) $\sum_{i=1}^4 3$

(k) $\binom{13}{i=1} - \binom{12}{i=1}$

(q) $\binom{5}{3}$

(g) $\sum_{i=1}^4 \pi$

(l) $\left\lfloor \sum_{i=1}^8 \pi \right\rfloor - \sum_{i=1}^8 \lfloor \pi \rfloor$

(r) $\sum_{i=0}^3 \binom{3}{i}$

There is no need to explain calculations that you find obvious, but the marker may be able to give part marks if you show your work but make a silly mistake.

Greek Letters

2. For each of the following questions write down both the symbols and their names spelled out in English.

Example: The alphabet is named after which two Greek letters?

Answer: α (alpha), and β (beta).

- (a) Physicists like to use Greek letters. When working with three dimensional angles, they often use the three Greek letters starting at “zeta”. What letters are used?
- (b) Physicists measure electrical resistance in Ohms. Take a guess at which capital greek letter is used as the symbol for Ohms.
- (c) Names of metric units usually use latin letters, for instance: TW (tera-watt — 10^{12} watts), MW (mega-watt — 10^6 watts), mW (mill-watt — 0.001 watts). However the symbol for “micro” (meaning 10^{-6}) is greek, because ‘M’ and ‘m’ are already taken. What greek letter is used?

Read *Gersting* Section 1.1 first

- 3. When Alonzo Church first started working on the lambda-calculus, he used the the capital Greek letter, but nowadays theoretical computer scientists usually use the lower-case letter. Why do you think that is?

Homework Assignment # 1b

Due: 2006–09–22 (Friday)

from *Gersting* (sixth edition):

- 4. Section 1.1: Questions: 3, 9 (8 in edition 5), 10 (9 in edition 5), 17 (14 in edition 5), 21 (18 in edition 5).