MATH 421 Q1 WINTER 2017 HOMEWORK 2 SOLUTIONS

Due Jan. 26, 12pm.

Total 20 points.

QUESTION 1. (5 PTS) How many ways are there to line up 1,2,...,9 such that 1 is somewhere to the right of 2 and 2 is somewhere to the right of 3? Justify your answer.

QUESTION 2. (5 PTS) How many ways are there to form four blocks of four seats from 25 consecutive seats? Justify your answer. (Here as the seats are already put in a line, they are seen as different: 1st seat, 2nd seat, 3rd seat, ..., and the blocks cannot overlap.)

QUESTION 3. (5 PTS) How many solutions are there for

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 10, \qquad 0 \leqslant x_1 < 5, \quad -1 \leqslant x_2 < 6, \quad 2 \leqslant x_3 < 7? \tag{1}$$

Justify your answer.

QUESTION 4. (5 PTS) A bag of coins contains eight nickles, four dimes, and three quarters. Assuming that coins of any one denomination are identical, in how many ways can a collection of ten coins be made up from the bagful? Justify your answer.