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Second order linear homogeneous  
constant coefficients Recurrences

$$\boxed{C_1 a_n + C_2 a_{n-1} + C_3 a_{n-2} = 0}$$

~~Assume~~ Guess  $A_h = r^h$

$$C_1 r^h + C_2 r^{h-1} + C_3 r^{h-2} = 0$$

$$C_1 r^2 + C_2 r + C_3 = 0$$

$$r = \frac{-C_2 \pm \sqrt{C_2^2 - 4C_1 C_3}}{2C_1}$$

$$r_1 = \frac{-C_2 + \sqrt{C_2^2 - 4C_1 C_3}}{2C_1}$$

$$r_2 = \frac{-C_2 - \sqrt{C_2^2 - 4C_1 C_3}}{2C_1}$$

$r_1, r_2$  Distinct real roots

$$\boxed{A_h = A r_1^h + B r_2^h}$$

If  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  are complex

$$a_h = A r_1^h + B r_2^h$$

$$\delta_1 = \delta e^{i\theta}$$

$$\delta_2 = \delta e^{-i\theta}$$

$$a_n = A\delta^n e^{in\theta} + B\delta^n e^{-in\theta}$$

$$= \delta^n [(A+B)\cosh n\theta + i(A-B)\sinh n\theta]$$

$$= \delta^n (K_1 \cosh n\theta + K_2 \sinh n\theta)$$

If Repeated roots

$$a_n = A\delta^n + Bn\delta^n$$

$$C_1 g(n) \delta^n + C_2 g(n-1) \delta^{n-1} + C_3 g(n-2) \delta^{n-2} = 0$$

Example #1

Solve:  $a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$ ;  $a_0 = 0$   $a_1 = 1$

Assume:  $a_n = \delta^n$

$$\delta^n = \delta^{n-1} + \delta^{n-2}$$

$$\delta^2 - \delta - 1 = 0 \quad \delta = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+4}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\delta_1 = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \quad \delta_2 = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$a_n = A\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n + B\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n$$

①  $a_0 = 0 = A+B$

②  $a_1 = 1 = A\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) + B\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)$

$$A = 1/\sqrt{5}, B = -1/\sqrt{5}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n$$

$$\boxed{a_n = \frac{\gamma_1^n - \gamma_2^n}{\gamma_1 - \gamma_2}}$$

### Example #2

$$a_n = 2a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}, \quad a_0 = 0, \quad a_1 = 1$$

$$\gamma^n = 2\gamma^{n-1} - \gamma^{n-2}$$

$$\gamma^2 - 2\gamma + 1 = 0$$

$$\gamma = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4-4}}{2} = 1$$

$$a_n = A\gamma^n + Bn\gamma^n$$

$$= A + Bn$$

$$a_0 = 0 \quad A = 0$$

$$a_1 = 1 \quad B = 1$$

$$\underline{a_n = n}$$

$$0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$$

If  $a_0 = 1, a_1 = 5$

$$a_n = A\gamma^n + Bn\gamma^n$$

$$= A + Bn$$

$$a_0 = 1 = A \quad a_1 = 5 = A + B \Rightarrow B = 4$$

$$a_n = 4n$$

### Example

$$a_n = 2a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} \quad a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1$$

$$a_2 = 2a_1 + 2a_0$$

$$a_3 = 2a_2 + 2a_1$$

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$$\gamma^h = 2\gamma^{h-1} + 2\gamma^{h-2}$$

$$\gamma^2 - 2\gamma - 2 = 0 \quad \gamma = \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{2} = 1 \pm \sqrt{3}$$

$$\gamma_1 = 1 + \sqrt{3}$$

$$\gamma_2 = 1 - \sqrt{3}$$

$$a_0 = 0 = A + B$$

$$a_1 = 1 = A(1 + \sqrt{3}) - A(1 - \sqrt{3})$$

$$A = 1/2\sqrt{3}; \quad B = -1/2\sqrt{3}$$

Example

$$a_h = 2a_{h-1} - 2a_{h-2}$$

$$\gamma^h - 2\gamma^{h-1} + 2\gamma^{h-2}$$

$$\gamma^2 - 2\gamma + 2 = 0$$

$$\gamma = 1 \pm i$$

$$\gamma = \sqrt{2} e^{\pm i\pi/4}$$

$$a_h = (\sqrt{2})^h \left[ A e^{2h\pi/4} + B e^{-ih\pi/4} \right]$$

$$(\sqrt{2})^h \left[ A \cos\left(\frac{h\pi}{2}\right) + A i \sin\frac{h\pi}{4} + B \cos\left(\frac{h\pi}{4}\right) - B i \sin(h\pi/4) \right]$$

$$\boxed{(\sqrt{2})^h \left[ K_1 \cos(h\pi/4) + K_2 \sin(h\pi/2) \right]}$$

$$K_1 = 2, \quad K_2 = 3$$

$$a_0 = 2 = K_1$$

$$a_1 = 5 = \sqrt{2} \left[ 2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + K_2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right] = 2 + K_2 = 5$$