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# Answer 1

P(i) is to be the truth value of the equation given in the question, when n = i:

1. Basis Step

When n = 1,

$$\sum_{j=1}^{1} j \cdot (j+1)(j+2) \dots (j+k-1) = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots k = k! = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots k \cdot (k-1)}{(k-1)}.$$

Then P(1) is true.

2. Inductive Step

Say 
$$f(j) = j.(j+1)(j+2)...(j+k-1)$$
.

I will try to prove P(t+1) is true, assuming that P(t) is true.

P(t) is true then

$$\sum_{j=1}^{t} f(j) = \frac{t \cdot (t+1) \cdot (t+2) \cdot \dots \cdot (t+k)}{(k+1)}.$$

Hence

$$\sum_{j=1}^{t+1} f(j) = \sum_{j=1}^{t} f(j) + (t+1)(t+2)\dots(t+k)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{IH}}{=} \frac{t \cdot (t+1)(t+2)\dots(t+k)}{(k+1)} + (t+1)(t+2)\dots(t+k)$$

$$= (t+1)(t+2)\dots(t+k)(\frac{t}{k+1}+1)$$

$$= \frac{(t+1)(t+2)\dots(t+k)(t+k+1)}{(k+1)}$$

Also if we substitute t + 1 in our assumption, we get again same result as below.

$$\sum_{j=1}^{t+1} f(j) = \frac{(t+1)(t+2)\dots(t+k)(t+k+1)}{(k+1)}.$$
 (1)

These two equations show that P(t+1) is true under the assumption that P(t) is true. Inductive step is done.

So by mathematical induction, we know that P(t) is true for all positive integers t. Proof is done.

# Answer 2

Let P(n) be the proposition that  $H_n \leq 7^n$ :

#### 1. Basis Step

P(0) is true:  $n=0, H_0 = 1 \le 7^0$ .

P(1) is true:  $n=1, H_1 = 3 \le 7^1$ .

P(2) is true: n=2,  $H_2 = 5 \le 7^2$ .

Basis step is done.

#### 2. Inductive Step

Assume that for any j such that  $0 \le j \le k$ , P(j) is true, which means  $H^j \le 7^j$ . Now prove that  $H^{k+1} < 7^{k+1}$ .

P(k), P(k-1) and P(k-2) are true under our assumption since k, k-1 and k-2 are in the interval [0, n].

$$H_{k+1} = 7H_k + 5H_{k-1} + 63H_{k-2}$$

$$\leq 7^k + 5.7^{k-1} + 63.7^{k-2}$$

$$\leq 7^k + 5.7^{k-1} + 9.7^{k-1}$$

$$\leq 7^k + 14.7^{k-1}$$

$$\leq 7^k + 2.7^k$$

$$= 3.7^k$$

$$< 7^{k+1}$$

So we have proven P(k+1) is also true under our assumption by showing that  $H_{k+1} \leq 7^{k+1}$ . This completes inductive step.

Because we have completed basis and inductive steps, we know P(n) is true for any n such that  $n \ge 0$ . Proof is done.

# Answer 3

**a**)

We have sets

E:{Options to choose 4 books from all 12 books}.

 $A: \{ \text{Options to choose 4 books from 7 Signals And Systems books} \}.$ 

We need to find the cardinality of the set  $E \setminus A$ . Answer is |E| - |A| = C(12, 4) - C(7, 4) = 460.

E:{Options to choose 4 books from all 12 books}.

A:{Options to choose 4 books from 7 Signals And Systems books}.

B:{Options to choose 4 books from 5 Discrete Mathematics books}.

Note: A and B are disjoint sets.

We need to find the cardinality of the set  $E \setminus (A \cup B)$ . Answer is |E| - (|A| + |B|) = C(12, 4) - C(7, 4) - C(5, 4) = 455.

### Answer 4

 $a_n$  is to be the number of strings having even number of 3's with the length n. We can generate n-strings by appending either a 3 or 2 to the valid n-1-strings.

1. We can generate an n-string having even number of 3's by appending 2 to an n-1-string having even number of 3's.

Then we can say  $a_n = a_{n-1}$ .

2. We can generate an n-string having even number of 3's by appending 3 to an n-1-string not having even number of 3's.

We can find *n-1-strings* **not** having even number of 3's by excluding valid strings form all possible strings with the length *n-1*. Then we can say  $a_n = 2^{n-1} - a_{n-1}$ .

Because all valid strings can be generated in one of these two ways, it follows that our recurrence relation is:

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + 2^{n-1} - a_{n-1} = 2^{n-1}.$$

# Answer 5

In the equation given in the question, take the terms with  $a_{n-1}$ ,  $a_{n-2}$  and  $a_{n-3}$  to the left side and get  $a_n - 4a_{n-1} - a_{n-2} + 4a_{n-3} = 0$ . Then we have the characteristic equation  $r^3 - 4r^2 - r + 4 = 0$  if and only if (r-4)(r+1)(r-1) = 0. Then we get  $r_1 = 4$ ,  $r_2 = -1$  and  $r_3 = 1$ .

Now we have  $a_n = \alpha_1 r_1 + \alpha_2 r_2 + \alpha_3 r_3$ .

Substituting  $r_1$ ,  $r_2$  and  $r_3$  to this equation we get  $a_n = \alpha_1 4^n + \alpha_2 (-1)^n + \alpha_3 (1)^n$ .

Substituting n = 0, n = 1 and n = 2 in that equation, we have 3 equations with 3 unknowns such that

$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 4$$
$$4\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 8$$
$$16\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 34$$

Subtracting first equation from third equation we get  $15\alpha_1 = 30$  and hence  $\alpha_1 = 2$ . Adding first two equations we get  $5\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_3 = 12$  and hence  $\alpha_3 = 1$ . Putting  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_3$  in the first equation we get  $\alpha_2 = 1$ . Then  $a_n = 2.4^n + (-1)^n + 1$ .

# Answer 6

By the extended binomial theorem,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C(10, n) x^n = C(10, 0) x^0 + C(10, 1) x^1 + C(10, 2) x^2 + \dots + C(10, 10) x^{10} + \dots$$
$$= (1 + x)^{10}$$

Then,

$$< C(10,0), C(10,1), C(10,2) \cdots > \longleftrightarrow (1+x)^{10}$$

Shift the sequence above left,

$$\frac{(1+x)^{10} - C(10,0)x^{0}}{x} = \frac{C(10,0)x^{0} + C(10,1)x^{1} + C(10,2)x^{2} + C(10,3)x^{3} + \cdots - C(10,0)x^{0}}{x}$$

$$= \frac{C(10,1)x^{1} + C(10,2)x^{2} + C(10,3)x^{3} + C(10,4)x^{4} + \cdots}{x}$$

$$= C(10,1)x^{0} + C(10,2)x^{1} + C(10,3)x^{2} + C(10,4)x^{4} + \cdots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C(10,n+1)x^{n}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n}x^{n}$$

Then,

$$\{a_n\} = \frac{(1+x)^{10} - C(10,0)x^0}{x}$$
$$= \frac{(1+x)^{10} - 1}{x}$$