Cyclic Hanoi Problem

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Problem

- We are given three pegs (A, B, C), which are arranged as a circle with the clockwise and the counterclockwise directions being defined as A B C A and A C B A respectively. The moving direction of the disk must be clockwise.
- Input : N
- Output : Series of moving process
- Relation: It should be valid process (according to the problem) to move N disks.

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Analogy to DH

- We will add the assertion just prior to entering the entire routine.
- We will define our invariants like the DH does
- We will use mathematical induction to prove it.

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the invariant of Hanoi problem

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Partial Correctness

• (clockwise): Assume that the peg names A, B, and C are associated, in an order that A-B-C are clockwise, with the variables X, Y and Z. Then a terminating execution of the call Move clockwise (N, X, Y, Z) lists a sequence of ringmoving instructions, which, if started (and followed faithfully) in and legal configuration of the rings and pegs in which at least the N smallest rings are on peg X, correctly moves those N rings from X to Y, possibly using Z as temporary storage. Moreover, the sequence adheres to the rules of the Cyclic Towers of Hanoi problem, and it leaves all other rings untouched.

Mathematical induction

- Prove (P): for every n, (clockwise) holds
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Termination

- This routine terminates for every N.
- Proof: By each recursion, N decreases by 1. And N cannot be less than 1 because if N reaches 1 it will meet the return clause. Consequently the trees of the recursion is finite and execution must terminate.

So far, we have proved the total correctness.

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Counter Clockwise

Subroutine Move_counterclockwise(n, x, y, z)//x to y

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 - 3. Move from x to z
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 - 5. Move from z to y
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• (counterclockwise): Assume that the peg names A, B, and C are associated, in an order that A-B-C are counterclockwise, with the variables X, Y and Z. Then a terminating execution of the call Move counterclockwise (N, X, Y, Z) lists a sequence of ring-moving instructions, which, if started (and followed faithfully) in and legal configuration of the rings and pegs in which at least the N smallest rings are on peg X, correctly moves those N rings from X to Y, possibly using Z as temporary storage. Moreover, the sequence adheres to the rules of the Cyclic Towers of Hanoi problem, and it leaves all other rings untouched.

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Now the answer need to be best.

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Partial Correctness

• (counterclockwise): Assume that the peg names A, B, and C are associated, <u>in an order that A-B-C are</u> counterclockwise, with the variables X, Y and Z. Then a terminating execution of the call Move_counterclockwise(N, X, Y, Z) lists a sequence of ring-moving instructions, which, if started (and followed faithfully) in and legal configuration of the rings and pegs in which at least the N smallest rings are on peg X, correctly moves those N rings from X to Y, possibly using Z as temporary storage. Moreover, the sequence adheres to the rules of the Cyclic Towers of Hanoi problem, and it leaves all other rings untouched. In addition, it is costs the least operation.

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Counter_Clockwise

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 - 2. Move_counterclockwise(n-1, x, y, z)
 - 3. Move from x to z
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N=3, A->B:21; Otherwise latter one is 15

Calculate the number

- The first one : An = 4An + 1, A1=1; An = 4^(n-1)*(4/3) 1/3
- The second one : Cn = 2A(n-1) + 1; An = 2+C(n-1) + 2A(n-1)

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \left\{ (1 + \sqrt{3})^{n+1} - (1 - \sqrt{3})^{n+1} \right\} - 1$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}} \left\{ (1 + \sqrt{3})^{n+2} - (1 - \sqrt{3})^{n+2} \right\} - 1$$

That's all for today. THANK YOU!