

COMPOSING POWER SERIES

consider the power series $A(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} nx^n$ and $B(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n^2 + 1)x^n$
What are the coefficients of x^0 and x^1 in $B(A(x))$ and $A(B(x))$

$$\begin{aligned} B(A(x)) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \{(n^2 + 1)(A(x))^n\} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \{(n^2 + 1)(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} jx^j)^n\} \\ &= (1 + 0)x^0 + (2 * 1)x^1 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

What is the constant term (coefficient of x^1) in each $(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} jx^j)^n$?

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} jx^j = 0x^0 + 1x^1 + 2x^2 + \dots = x(1 + 2x + 3x^2 + \dots)$$

$$[x^0] \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} jx^j = 0, [x^0] (\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} jx^j)^2 = 0 \text{ for all } n \geq 1, [x^0] (\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} jx^j)^n = 0$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \{(n^2 + 1)(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} jx^j)^n\} = 1 * 1 + 2 * (\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} jx^j)^1 + 5 * (\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} jx^j)^2 + 10 * (\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} jx^j)^3 + \dots$$

coefficient of $x^1 := 0 + 2 * 1_0 + 0 + 0 + \dots$

$$A(B(x)) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \{n(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j^2 + 1)x^j)^n\}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j^2 + 1)x^j = 1x^0 + 2 * x^1 + 5 * x^3 + 10x^3 + \dots$$

$$(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j^2 + 1)x^j)^2 = 1 * 1x^0 + 4x^1 + 14x^2 + \dots$$

$$[x^0] (\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j^2 + 1)x^j)^n = 1$$

$$[x^1] (\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (j^2 + 1)x^j)^n = 2n$$

$$n = 2 : (1x^0 + 2 * x^1 + 5 * x^3 + 10x^3 + \dots)(1x^0 + 2 * x^1 + 5 * x^3 + 10x^3 + \dots) = 1x^0 + (1 * 2 + 2 * 1)x^1 + \dots$$

$$[x^0] A(B(x)) = 0 * 1 + 1 * 1 + 2 + 1 + 3 * 1 + \dots = \sum_{n_0}^{\infty} n * 1$$

What is the coefficient of x^2 in $A(B(x))$ where $A(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}$ and $B(x) = x + 2x^2$?

$$\begin{aligned} A(B(x)) &= \frac{1}{1 - (x + 2x^2)} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x + 2x^2)^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n (1 + 2x)^n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
[x^2]A(B(x)) &= [x^2] \sum_{n=0}^2 x^n (1+2x)^n \\
&= [x^2](1 + x(1+2x) + x^2(1+2x)^2) \\
&= [x^2](1 + x + 2x^2 + x^2 + 4x^3 + 4x^4) \\
&= 3
\end{aligned}$$

$A(x) = \frac{1}{1-3x+4x^3}$, Find a recurrence relation for the coefficients of $A(x)$
 $a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$

Let $A(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$, Then $(1x^0 - 3x + 4x^3)(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n) = 1x^0 + 0x + 0x^2 + \dots$
 $a_0 x^0 + (1a_1 - 3a_0)x^1 + (1a_2 - 3a_1)x^2 + (1a_3 - 3a_2 + 4a_0)x^3 + (1a_4 - 3a_3 + 4a_1)x^4 + \dots + (1a_n - 3a_{n-1} + 4a_{n-3})x^n + \dots$

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Product lemma

Product lemma: Set A, B with lengths α, β . Set $A \times B$ with weight $\omega(a, b) = \alpha(a) + \beta(b)$, Then

$$\Phi_{A \times B}(x) = \Phi_A(x) \Phi_B(x)$$

Example: How many ways can a sequence of k non-negative integers sum up to n ?

$[k = 4; n = 10 \ (1, 2, 3, 4) \ (0, 0, 5, 5)]$

$N_0 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$

Consider the set $N_0^k = \{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k) | a_i \in N_0\}$

Define $\omega(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k) = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k$ Use $\alpha(a) = a$ for each N_0

Then product lemma applies: For N_0 with $\alpha, \Phi_{N_0}(x) = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots = \frac{1}{1-x}$

By product lemma, $\Phi_{N_0^k}(x) = (\Phi_{N_0}(x))^k = \frac{1}{(1-x)^k}$

Answer is:

$$[x^n] \frac{1}{(1-x)^k}$$

This is

$$\binom{n+k-1}{k-1}$$

Combinatorial proof of $\binom{n+k-1}{k-1}$

$k = 4, n = 10$: want $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 = 10$

For each k tuple (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k) is a non-neg soln to $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k = n$

Consider binary strings with n 0s and $k-1$ 1s (dividers)

Form a bijection so that (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k) is mapped to $0^{a_1} | 0^{a_2} | \dots | 0^{a_k}$ where 0^{a_i} represents a_i consecutive 0s

This is reversible, So the # of k -tuples is equal to # of binary str with n 0s and $k-1$ 1s, which is $\binom{n+k-1}{k-1}$

Integer compositions

Definition: A k -tuple (a_1, \dots, a_k) of positive integers is a composition of n if $a_1 + \dots + a_k = n$. Such a composition has k parts

Example: composition of 5 includes $(1, 3, 1), (5), (2, 3), (3, 2), (1, 1, 1, 1, 1)$

Note:

1) parts are at least 1

2) Order does matter

3) There is one composition of 0 which is ()

Example: How many compositions of n have k parts?

The set N^k represents all compositions with k parts

Let $\omega(a_1, \dots, a_k) = a_1 + \dots + a_k$

Use $\alpha(a) = a$ for each N

$$\Phi_N(x) = x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots = \frac{x}{1-x}$$

So by product lemma:

$$\Phi_{N^k}(x) = (\Phi_N(x))^k = \left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)^k = \frac{x^k}{(1-x)^k}$$

Our answer is:

$$\begin{aligned} & [x^n] \frac{x^k}{(1-x)^k} \\ &= [x^{n-k}] \frac{1}{(1-x)^k} \\ &= \binom{(n-k) + k - 1}{k-1} \\ &= \binom{n-1}{k-1} \end{aligned}$$

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1. Integer composition

2. Binary Strings

Gen ser for all compositions where every part is odd

$$\frac{1-x^2}{1-x-x^2}$$

Let a_n be the # of comp of n where every part is odd

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} \quad \text{for } n \geq 3$$

Combinatorial proff of this recurrence:

Let S_n be the set of all comp of n where every part is odd

We need to prove that $|S_n| = |S_{n-1}| + |S_{n-2}|$ for $n \geq 3$

We define a bijection $f : S_n \rightarrow S_{n-1} \cup S_{n-2}$ as follows:

$n = 5$: (5), (1, 1, 3), (1, 3, 1), (3, 1, 1), (1, 1, 1, 1, 1)

$n = 4$: (1, 3), (3, 1), (1, 1, 1, 1)

$n = 3$: (3), (1, 1, 1)

for $n - 1$, add 1 to front

for $n - 2$, add 2 to the first

For each $(a_1, \dots, a_k) \in S_n$ define

$$f(a_1, \dots, a_k) = \begin{cases} (a_2, \dots, a_k) & (a_1 = 1) \rightarrow \text{in } S_{n-1} \\ (a_1 - 2, a_2, \dots, a_k) & (a_1 > 1) \rightarrow \text{in } S_{n-2} \end{cases}$$

Every part is odd after the mapping

The inverse is $f^{-1} : S_{n-1} \cup S_{n-2} \rightarrow S_n$ where for each $(b_1, \dots, a_k) \in S_{n-1} \cup S_{n-2}$, define:

$$f^{-1}(b_1, \dots, b_k) = \begin{cases} (1, b_1, \dots, b_k) & b_1 + \dots + b_k = n - 1 \\ (b_1 + 2, b_2, \dots, b_k) & b_1 + \dots + b_k = n - 2 \end{cases}$$

We can recursively build up S_n based on S_{n-1} and S_{n-2} for each comp

Binary Strings

Definitions: A binary string is a sequence of 0s and 1s.

The length of a string is the total # of 0s and 1s

There is only one string of length 0, the empty string or null string, denoted ϵ

The concatenation of two strings a and b is ab

($a = 101$, $b = 0001$, $ab = 1010001$)

b is a substring of s if $s = abc$ for some strings a, c (possibly empty)

e.g.: (Substrings of 1001 include ϵ , 001, 10, 1001)

A block is a maximal nonempty substring of all 0s or all 1s.

Example S - 0000 111 0 1 000 1 000 111 (8 blocks)

Main Q - How many binary string of length n satisfy certain properties?

Define a set S of all strings that satisfy the properties

Define the weight of a string to be its length

Answer is

$$[x^n]\Phi_S(x)$$

Example: How many strings of length n has no 0s?

The set of all strings with no 0s is $S = \{\epsilon, 1, 11, 111, 1111, \dots\}$

$$\Phi_S(x) = 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + \dots = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

Answer is

$$[x^n]\Phi_S(x)$$

Two operations in regular expression of strings

if A, B are 2 sets of strings, then the concatenation of A, B is:

$$AB = \{ab | a \in A, b \in B\}$$

Example: $A = \{0, 11\}$, $B = \{1, 11\}$, $AB = \{01, 011, 111, 1111\}$

They are "like" cartesian products

Powers of strings: $A^2 = AA$, $A^3 = AAA$

Star operator

$$A^* = \{\epsilon\} \cup A \cup A^2 \cup A^3 \cup \dots = \bigcup_{k \geq 0} A^k$$

Example $\{0, 1\}^*$ is all binary strings: $01101 \in \{0, 1\}^5 \subseteq \{0, 1\}^*$

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How many binary strings are there of length n ?

Generating function for $\{0, 1\}$ is $2x^1$

Generating function for $\{0, 1\}^n$ is $2^n x^n$

Generating function for binary strings is

$$1x^0 + 2x^1 + 4x^2 + \dots + (2^n x^n) + \dots = \frac{1}{1 - 2x}$$

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We saw that the binary strings with exactly k 1's decompose as $0^*(10^*)^k$, and that all binary strings decompose as $0^*(10^*)^*$

If A^* gives an unambiguous description of strings obtained by concatenating strings from A , then

$$\Phi_{A^*}(x) = \frac{1}{1 - \Phi_A(x)}$$

$A = (10^*)$, $A^* = (10^*)^* =$ all binary strings where first bit is 1 (including ϵ)

The non-ambiguity of the decomposition A^* also implies

$$\Phi_{A^k}(x) = (\Phi_A(x))^k$$

A^k is in bijective correspondence with $A \times A \times \dots \times A$