

Discrete Mathematics HW3

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Problem 1

- (a) *Solution.* Let total excution be $T(n)$. Then $T(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^i \sum_{k=1}^j 1 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^i j = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{i(i+1)}{2}$. Note that $\frac{i^2}{2} \leq \frac{i(i+1)}{2} = \frac{i^2+i}{2} \leq \frac{i^2+i^2}{2} = i^2$ for $\forall i \in \mathbb{N}$. This follows $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{i^2}{2} \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{i(i+1)}{2} = T(n) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n i^2$. Since $\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$, $T(n) = \Theta(n^3)$. □

- (b) *Solution.* Let total excution be $T(n)$. Then $T(n) = n + \lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor + \lfloor \frac{\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor}{3} \rfloor + \dots + 1$.

i) If $n = 3^k$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots$, then $T(n) = 3^k + 3^{k-1} + \dots + 3 + 1 = \sum_{i=0}^k 3^i = \frac{3^{k+1}-1}{2} = \frac{3 \cdot 3^k - 1}{2} = \frac{3n-1}{2}$.
Therefore, $T(n) = \Theta(n)$.

ii) If $n = 3^k + C$ with $0 < C < 2 \cdot 3^k$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots$, then $\sum_{i=0}^k 3^i \leq T(n) \leq \sum_{i=0}^{k+1} 3^i$ from i). So we get $\frac{3n-1}{2} \leq T(n) \leq \frac{9n-1}{2}$, $T(n) = \Theta(n)$.

For any $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, we get $T(n) = \Theta(n)$. □

- (c) *Solution.* Let total excution be $T(n)$ and I_j be the value of i at j th iteration. Then by the *Archimedean Property*, $\exists k$ such that $I_k < n \leq I_{k+1}$. It means $T(n) = k$. Note that the recursive relation $I_{k+1} = I_k^2$. By solving this, we get $I_{k+1} = I_1^{2^k} = 2^{2^k}$. So $2^{2^{k-1}} < n \leq 2^{2^k}$. From left inequality, $k < \lg(\lg n) + 1$. From right inequality, $\lg(\lg n) \leq k$. Since $T(n) = k$, $T(n) = \Theta(\lg(\lg n))$. □

Problem 2

Solution. Make any increasing functions $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ such that $f(n) > g(n)$ and $g(n) \geq f(n)$ for infinitely many intervals. For example, define

$$f(n) = 2n, \quad g(n) = \begin{cases} n + 4k, & \text{if } n \in (4k, 4k + 2] \\ n + 4k + 4, & \text{if } n \in (4k + 2, 4k + 4] \end{cases}$$

for $k = 0, 1, \dots$. Then $f(n) > g(n)$ for $n \in (4k, 4k + 2]$, $g(n) \geq f(n)$ for $n \in (4k + 2, 4k + 4]$. This gives the desired result.

□

Problem 3

Proof. Use the definition of Riemann integral for $f(t) = \frac{1}{t}$ between $[1, x]$. Let $P = \{t_0, t_1, \dots, t_n\}$ be a uniform partition between $t_0 = 1$ and $t_n = x$. Let $\Delta t_i = t_i - t_{i-1} = \frac{x-1}{n}$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. By the definition of *Riemann integral*, $\sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta t_i \leq \int_1^x \frac{1}{t} dt \leq \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta t_i$ where $m_i = \inf_{t \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]} f(t)$, $M_i = \sup_{t \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]} f(t)$. Since $f(t)$ is continuous and strictly decreasing function, $m_i = \frac{1}{t_i}$ and $M_i = \frac{1}{t_{i-1}}$. Take $x = n + 1$. Then $t_i = i + 1, \Delta t_i = 1$. It follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i+1} &\leq \int_1^{n+1} \frac{1}{t} dt = \ln(n+1) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \\ \Rightarrow \ln(n+1) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i+1} + 1 - \frac{1}{n+1} \leq \ln(n+1) + 1 + 0 \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} &= \Theta(\lg n) \end{aligned}$$

□

Problem 4

(a) *Proof.* Using the definition of *limit* and *O notation*.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \text{for given } \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \text{ such that } n \geq N &\implies \left| \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} - 0 \right| \leq \epsilon \\ \Rightarrow \exists N \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \text{ such that } n \geq N &\implies |f(n)| \leq \epsilon |g(n)| \text{ for some (exactly, any) } \epsilon > 0 \\ \Rightarrow f(n) &= O(g(n)) \end{aligned}$$

□

(b) *Proof.* Using the definition of *limit* and Θ notation.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} &= c \neq 0 \\ \Rightarrow \text{for given } \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \text{ such that } n \geq N &\implies \left| \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} - c \right| \leq \epsilon \\ \Rightarrow \exists N \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \text{ such that } n \geq N &\implies (c - \epsilon) |g(n)| \leq |f(n)| \leq (c + \epsilon) |g(n)| \text{ for any } \epsilon > 0 \\ \Rightarrow f(n) &= \Theta(g(n)) \end{aligned}$$

Note that we can find $\epsilon > 0$ where $c - \epsilon > 0$ because of the *Archimedean Property*.

□

Problem 5

- (a) *Proof.* Proof by induction. Let $P(j)$ be the given statement. Consider $j = 1$. Then $\sum_{k=1}^1 f_k^2 = f_1^2 = 1^2 = f_1 f_2$ is clearly true.

Suppose $P(j)$ is true for $j = n$. Consider $j = n + 1$. Note that the recursive relation of *Fibonacci Sequence*: $f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} f_k^2 &= \sum_{k=1}^n f_k^2 + f_{n+1}^2 \\ &= f_n f_{n+1} + f_{n+1}^2 \\ &= f_{n+1}(f_n + f_{n+1}) \\ &= f_{n+1} f_{n+2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $P(j)$ is true for $\forall j \in \mathbb{N}$.

□

- (b) *Proof.* Proof by induction. Note that the following:

$$\begin{aligned} f_n &= \frac{f_{n-1} + \sqrt{5f_{n-1}^2 + 4(-1)^{n+1}}}{2} \\ \Leftrightarrow (2f_n - f_{n-1})^2 &= 5f_{n-1}^2 + 4(-1)^{n+1} \\ \Leftrightarrow 4f_n^2 - 4f_n f_{n-1} + f_{n-1}^2 &= 5f_{n-1}^2 + 4(-1)^{n+1} \\ \Leftrightarrow 4f_n^2 - 4f_n f_{n-1} &= 4f_{n-1}^2 + 4(-1)^{n+1} \\ \Leftrightarrow f_n^2 - f_n f_{n-1} &= f_{n-1}^2 + (-1)^{n+1} \\ \Leftrightarrow f_n^2 &= f_n f_{n-1} + f_{n-1}^2 + (-1)^{n+1} \\ \Leftrightarrow f_n^2 &= f_{n-1}(f_n + f_{n-1}) + (-1)^{n+1} \\ \Leftrightarrow f_n^2 &= f_{n-1} f_{n+1} + (-1)^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

Using this, let the last equation be $P(j = n)$. Consider $j = 2$. Then $f_2^2 = 1^2 = 0 = 1 \cdot 2 + (-1)^3 = f_{2-1} f_{2+1} + (-1)^{2+1}$ is true.

Suppose $P(j = n)$ is true. Consider $j = n + 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} f_{n+1}^2 &= f_{n+1}(f_n + f_{n-1}) \\ &= f_{n+1} f_n + f_{n+1} f_{n-1} \\ &= f_{n+1} f_n + (f_n^2 - (-1)^{n+1}) \\ &= f_n(f_{n+1} + f_n) + (-1)^{n+2} \\ &= f_n f_{n+2} + (-1)^{n+2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $P(j)$ is true for $j \geq 2$.

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- (c) *Proof.* Proof by strong induction. Let $P(j)$ be the given statement. Consider $j = 6$. Then $f_6 = 8 > \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{6-1} \simeq 7.59$ is clearly true.

Suppose $P(j)$ is true for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Consider $j = n + 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{n+1} &= f_n + f_{n-1} \\
&> \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{n-1} + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{n-2} \\
&= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{n-2} \left(\frac{3}{2} + 1\right) = \frac{5}{2} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{n-2} \\
&= \frac{10}{4} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{n-2} > \frac{9}{4} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{n-2} \\
&= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{n-2} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $P(j)$ is true for $j \geq 6$. □

- (d) *Proof.* First, claim that $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(a + b, b)$. Let $\gcd(a, b) = d$. Then $a = pd$, $b = qd$, $\gcd(p, q) = 1$ for some $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$. This gives $a + b = (p + q)d$. If $\gcd(p + q, q) = 1$, then $\gcd(a + b, b) = d$. Assume, if not, $\gcd(p + q, q) = c \neq 1$. Then $p + q = kc$, $q = tc$, $\gcd(k, t) = 1$ for some $k, t \in \mathbb{N}$. This gives $p = (k - t)c$, so $\gcd(p, q) \geq c$. But it contradicts to $\gcd(p, q) = 1$. Therefore, $\gcd(a + b, b) = d$. Now, $\gcd(a, b) = d \implies \gcd(a + b, b)$ is proved. We can proof the reversed direction($\gcd(a + b, b) = d \implies \gcd(a, b)$) similarly. Therefore, the claim is true.

Proof by induction. Let $P(j)$ be the given statement. Consider $j = 1$. Then $\gcd(f_1, f_2) = 1$ is clearly true.

Suppose $P(j = n)$ is true. Consider $j = n + 1$. Then by the claim, $\gcd(f_{n+1}, f_{n+2}) = \gcd(f_{n+1}, f_n + f_{n+1}) = \gcd(f_n, f_{n+1}) = 1$. Therefore, $P(j)$ is true for $\forall j \in \mathbb{N}$. □

Problem 6

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Using negation. Suppose $\gcd(m, n) = c \neq 1$. Note that $\text{lcm}(m, n) = \frac{mn}{\gcd(m, n)} = \frac{mn}{c}$. Let $x_1 = 0$, $x_2 = \frac{\text{lcm}(m, n)}{n} = \frac{m}{c}$. Since $1 \leq \text{lcm}(m, n) < mn$, $1 < \frac{\text{lcm}(m, n)}{n} = x_2 < m$. So $x_1 \neq x_2$. But $f(x_1) = 0$, $f(x_2) = n \frac{m}{c} \bmod m = 0$. Therefore, $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$, f is not one-to-one.

(\Leftarrow) First, if $m = 1$, then it is trivial. So consider $m > 1$. Using negation. Suppose f is not one-to-one. This implies $\exists x_1, x_2$ such that $x_1 \neq x_2$ but $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$. WOLOG, $x_1 > x_2$. Note that $x_1, x_2 \in X$. i.e. $0 \leq x_2 < x_1 \leq m - 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x_1) &= nx_1 \bmod m, & f(x_2) &= nx_2 \bmod m \\
 &\Rightarrow n(x_1 - x_2) \equiv 0 \bmod m \\
 &\Rightarrow m \mid n \text{ or } m \mid (x_1 - x_2) \text{ but } m \nmid (x_1 - x_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow m \mid n \\
 &\Rightarrow \gcd(m, n) = m > 1
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Problem 7

Solution. Since 5, 6, 7 are relatively prime, by the *CRT*, $\exists! x \in \mathbb{Z}_{5 \times 6 \times 7}$. Find $9(3 \times 3)$ values:

- a_i : dividend value
- M_i : product of divisors except the self divisor m_i . $M_i = \frac{m_1 m_2 \cdots m_n}{m_i}$
- y_i : multiplicative inverse of $M_i \pmod{m_i}$

$a_1 = 3, a_2 = 4, a_3 = 5, M_1 = \frac{5 \cdot 6 \cdot 7}{5} = 42, M_2 = \frac{5 \cdot 6 \cdot 7}{6} = 35, M_3 = \frac{5 \cdot 6 \cdot 7}{7} = 30$. Find any y_i which satisfies $M_i y_i \equiv 1 \pmod{m_i}$. $y_1 = 3, y_2 = 5, y_3 = 4$.

Therefore, $x \equiv \sum_{i=1}^3 a_i M_i y_i = 1678 \equiv 208 \pmod{210}$.

□

Problem 8

Proof. Let $x \in \mathbb{Z}_n$. i.e. we prove $x = 1$ or $x = n - 1$. If $n = 2$, then it is true by brute-force calculate. Consider $n > 2$. Note that the *Euclid's lemma*: if prime $p \mid ab$, then $p \mid a$ or $p \mid b$.

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 &\equiv 1 \pmod{n} \\ \Rightarrow x^2 - 1 &\equiv 0 \pmod{n} \\ \Rightarrow (x - 1)(x + 1) &\equiv 0 \pmod{n} \\ \Rightarrow n \mid (x - 1) \text{ or } n \mid (x + 1)\end{aligned}$$

But n can divide only one of them, not both. If n can divide both, then $\gcd(x - 1, x + 1) = n > 2$. However, $\gcd(x - 1, x + 1) \leq 2$. To prove this, let $\gcd(x - 1, x + 1) = d$. Then $d \mid (x - 1)$ and $d \mid (x + 1)$, so $x - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{d}$ and $x + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{d}$. This follows $(x - 1) + (x + 1) = 2x \equiv 0 \pmod{d}$ and $(x + 1) - (x - 1) = 2 \equiv 0 \pmod{d}$. Therefore, $\gcd(2x, 2) = d \leq 2$.

By the above statement, we have only 2 cases:

i) Suppose $n \mid (x - 1)$.

$$\begin{aligned}n &\mid (x - 1) \\ \Rightarrow x - 1 &\equiv 0 \pmod{n} \\ \Rightarrow x &\equiv 1 \pmod{n}\end{aligned}$$

Since $x \in \mathbb{Z}_n$, $x = 1$.

ii) Suppose $n \mid (x + 1)$.

$$\begin{aligned}n &\mid (x + 1) \\ \Rightarrow x + 1 &\equiv 0 \pmod{n} \\ \Rightarrow x &\equiv -1 \pmod{n}\end{aligned}$$

Since $x \in \mathbb{Z}_n$, $x = n - 1$.

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