

信息与计算科学导论

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Problem 1: Suppose that $p(L)$ is a polynomial in L , and that $p(L)$ annihilates function $T(n)$. Prove that $T(n) = \sum_{i=1}^k f_i(n)r_i^n$, where k is a constant, $f_1(n), \dots, f_k(n)$ are polynomials in n , and r_1, \dots, r_k are all constants.

Solution: 不妨设:

$$p(L) = a_0 + a_1L + a_2L^2 + \dots + a_mL^m$$

将 L 带入 $T(n)$ 可以得到:

$$0 = p(L)T(n) = a_0T(n) + a_1LT(n) + a_2L^2T(n) + \dots + a_mL^mT(n)$$

那么, $p(L)=0$ 的 m 个解即为 $T(n)$ 的 m 个特征根。我们记 $p(L)=0$ 的 k 个不重复的解为 r_1, \dots, r_k 时, 就得到了

$$T(n) = \sum_{i=1}^k f_i(n)r_i^n$$

其中第 i 个解 r_i 前的 $f_i(n)$ 的最高次数表示了其重根数-1。

Problem 2: (Based on an Idea from IMO-1986-2) In a plane there is a regular triangle ABC with side length 1. Two frogs, Alice and Bob, are jumping. Let A_t, B_t be the locations of Alice and Bob, respectively, at time t .

- $A_0 = B_0 = C$.
- $A_1 = A$.
- For $t \geq 2$, rotate the line segment BA_{t-1} 45° clockwise about point B to get A'_t ; rotate the line segment BA_{t-2} 45° clockwise about point B to get A''_t ; the midpoint of $A'_tA''_t$ is A_t .
- For $t \geq 1$, rotate the line CB_{t-1} 45° clockwise about point C to get the new line CB_t . The length of line segment CB_t is twice that of line segment CB_{t-1} . Find the distance of B_t from A_t .

Solution: I give up.

Problem 3: Define a difference operator $\Delta : \Delta = L - 1$, i.e., $\Delta T(n) = T(n+1) - T(n)$. Define a sum operator $\Sigma : \Sigma T = S + c$ where $\Delta S = T$ and c is a constant. Prove that for all functions f, g defined on positive integers, $\Sigma f \Delta g = fg - \Sigma Lg \Delta f$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta(f(n)g(n)) &= f(n+1)g(n+1) - f(n)g(n) = f(n+1)g(n+1) + f(n)g(n+1) - f(n)g(n+1) - f(n)g(n) \\ \Delta f(n)g(n) &= g(n+1)\Delta f(n) + f(n)\Delta g(n) \\ \Delta f(n)g(n) &= Lg(n)\Delta f(n) + f(n)\Delta g(n)\end{aligned}$$

对两边同时作 Σ 即得之。

Problem 4: The first case of Theorem 6 uses the following condition: $f(n) = \Theta(n^c)$ where $c < \log_b a$. In the literature, you may find an alternative condition for this case: $f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$ for some $\epsilon > 0$. Prove using these two conditions in the theorem are equivalent.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} a^i f\left(\frac{n}{b^i}\right) + O(n^{\log_b a}) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} a^i M\left(\frac{n}{b^i}\right)^{\log_b a - \epsilon} + O(n^{\log_b a}) \\ &= Mn^{\log_b a - \epsilon} \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} a^i b^{-i(\log_b a - \epsilon)} + O(n^{\log_b a}) \\ &= Mn^{\log_b a - \epsilon} \sum_{i=0}^{\log_b n} b^{i\epsilon} + O(n^{\log_b a}) \\ &= Mn^{\log_b a - \epsilon} \frac{b^{\epsilon(\log_b n + 1)} - 1}{b^\epsilon - 1} + O(n^{\log_b a}) \\ &= Mn^{\log_b a - \epsilon} \frac{(nb)^\epsilon - 1}{b^\epsilon - 1} + O(n^{\log_b a}) \\ &\leq Mn^{\log_b a - \epsilon} \frac{(nb)^\epsilon}{b^\epsilon - 1} + O(n^{\log_b a}) \\ &= Mn^{\log_b a} \frac{b^\epsilon}{b^\epsilon - 1} + O(n^{\log_b a}) \\ &= O(n^{\log_b a})\end{aligned}$$

则得证。此处的 $f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a - \epsilon})$ 等价于 $f(n) = \Theta(n^c)$ 。一方面，两者均小于 $\log_b a$ ，这保证了其增长速度不超过 $\Theta(n^{\log_b a})$ ，从而得到相同的结论；另一方面，可以通过调整 ϵ 的值来使得二者相同，即使是选择了较小的 ϵ 而使得 $f(n)$ 的增长速度比实际的要更快，这也只是说明其增速慢于 $\Theta(n^{\log_b a})$ ，对其粗略的估计也无妨于结论。

Problem 5: Find a recurrence $T(n) = aT(\frac{n}{b}) + f(n)$ such that $f(n) = \Theta(n^c)$ where $c > \log_b a$, but $f(n)$ does not meet the regularity condition.

Solution : 我们只需要破坏正则条件即可。例如：

$$f(n) = n^c \sin n$$

其的确是 $O(n^c)$ ，但是没法保证

$$af\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) \leq df(n) \text{ for some } d < 1 \text{ and sufficiently large } n$$