

Discrete Structures Assignment 2

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Problem 1

problem 1(a)

Given, $f(n) a_n = g(n) a_{n-1} + h(n)$ for $n \geq 1$ and $a_0 = C$

$$\text{Define, } Q(n) = \frac{(f(1)f(2)\dots f(n-1))}{(g(1)g(2)\dots g(n))} = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} f(i)}{\prod_{i=1}^n g(i)}$$

$$f(n) - g(n)a_{n-1} = h(n)$$

by Multiplying $Q(n)$ on both sides of the above equation we get

$$(f(n) a_n - g(n) a_{n-1}) Q(n) = h(n) Q(n)$$

$$f(n) a_n Q(n) - g(n) a_{n-1} Q(n) = h(n) Q(n)$$

$$\frac{a_n f(n) \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} f(i)}{\prod_{i=1}^n g(i)} - g(n) a_{n-1} Q(n) = h(n) Q(n)$$

by including $f(n)$ in numerator's product of above equation multiplying numerator and denominator with $g(n+1)$ we get

$$\frac{a_n g(n+1) \prod_{i=1}^n f(i)}{g(n+1) \prod_{i=1}^n g(i)} - g(n) a_{n-1} Q(n) = h(n) Q(n)$$

we know that $\frac{\prod_{i=1}^n f(i)}{g(n+1) \prod_{i=1}^n g(i)} = Q(n+1)$ by substituting $Q(n+1)$ in the above equation we get

$$Q(n+1) g(n+1) a_n - Q(n) g(n) a_{n-1} = h(n) Q(n)$$

Assume $Q(n+1) g(n+1) a_n = b_n$ hence the given recurrence relation is converted to Non-Homogeneous Recurrence Relation

$$b(n) - b(n-1) = h(n) Q(n)$$

$$b(n) = b(n-1) + h(n) Q(n)$$

problem1(b)

Given that $Q(1) g(1) = f(0) = 1$

Consider for some $i \in \mathbb{N}$ $b(i) - b(i-1) = h(i) Q(i)$ let us do the following summation to

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (b_i - b_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (h(i) Q(i))$$

$$b_n - b_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n (h(i) Q(i))$$

$$Q(n+1) g(n+1) a_n - Q(1) g(1) a_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n (h(i) Q(i))$$

$$Q(n+1) g(n+1) a_n - C = \sum_{i=1}^n (h(i) Q(i))$$

$$a_n = \frac{C + \sum_{i=1}^n (h(i) Q(i))}{Q(n+1) g(n+1)}$$

Finally after solving the recurrence we get the value of a_n as

$$a_n = \frac{C + \sum_{i=1}^n (h(i) Q(i))}{Q(n+1) g(n+1)}$$

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Problem 2

problem 2(a)

Given, $(n+1)a_n = (n+3)a_{n-1} + n$ for $n \geq 1$ and $a_0 = 1$

by previous exercise we know that

$$f(n) = n + 1$$

$$g(n) = n + 3$$

$$h(n) = n$$

$$Q(n) = \frac{1.2.3\dots n}{4.5\dots n+3} = \frac{6n!}{(n+3)!} \text{ (as per its definition)}$$

Applying the a_n result from previous exercise we get

$$a_n = \frac{C + \sum_{i=1}^n (h(i) Q(i))}{Q(n+1)g(n+1)}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1 + \sum_{i=1}^n \left(i \frac{6i!}{(i+3)!} \right)}{\frac{6(n+1)!}{(n+4)!} (n+4)}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1 + \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{6i}{(i+1)(i+2)(i+3)} \right)}{\frac{6}{(n+2)(n+3)}}$$

Solving Summation using telescopic addition

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{6i}{(i+1)(i+2)(i+3)} \right) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{3}{(i+2)} \left(\frac{3}{(i+3)} - \frac{1}{(i+1)} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n 9 \left(\frac{1}{(i+2)} - \frac{1}{(i+3)} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^n 3 \left(\frac{1}{(i+1)} - \frac{1}{(i+2)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 9 \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{(n+3)} \right) - 3 \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{(n+2)} \right) \\
&= \frac{3}{2} - \frac{9}{(n+3)} + \frac{3}{(n+2)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{Summation} = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{(6n+9)}{(n+2)(n+3)}$$

By substituting value of summation in a_n we get

$$a_n = \frac{1 + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{(6n+9)}{(n+2)(n+3)}}{\frac{6}{(n+2)(n+3)}}$$

$$a_n = \frac{\frac{5(n^2+5n+6) - 2(6n+9)}{2(n+2)(n+3)}}{\frac{6}{(n+2)(n+3)}}$$

$$a_n = \frac{5n^2 + 13n + 12}{12}$$

$$\therefore a_n = \frac{n(5n+13)}{12} + 1$$

problem 2(b)

Problem 3

Theorem: Let $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ with $c_2 \neq 0$. Suppose that $r^2 - c_1 r - c_2 = 0$ has only one root r_0 . A sequence $\{a_n\}$ is a solution of the recurrence relation $a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2}$ iff $a_n = \alpha_1 r_0^n + \alpha_2 n r_0^n$ for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, where α_1 and α_2 are constants

Proof: Let $a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2}$ be a recurrence relation whose character equation is $r^2 - c_1 r - c_2 = 0$ has one root r_0

We have $\Delta = c_1^2 + 4c_2 = 0$, $r_0 = \frac{c_1}{2}$ and $r_0^2 = c_1 r_0 + c_2$ from quadratic equation

Let solution of above recurrence be of form $a_n = \alpha_1 r_0^n + \alpha_2 n r_0^n$ where α_1 and α_2 are constants

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_n &= c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2} \\
 &= c_1 (\alpha_1 r_0^{n-1} + \alpha_2 (n-1) r_0^{n-1}) + c_2 (\alpha_1 r_0^{n-2} + \alpha_2 (n-2) r_0^{n-2}) \\
 &= (c_1 r_0 + c_2) \alpha_1 r_0^{n-2} + (c_1 r_0 + c_2) n r_0^{n-2} \alpha_2 - (c_1 r_0 + 2c_2) r_0^{n-2} \alpha_2 \\
 &= (c_1 r_0 + c_2) \alpha_1 r_0^{n-2} + (c_1 r_0 + c_2) n r_0^{n-2} \alpha_2 - \left(\frac{c_1^2 + 4c_2}{2} \right) r_0^{n-2} \alpha_2 \\
 &= (c_1 r_0 + c_2) \alpha_1 r_0^{n-2} + (c_1 r_0 + c_2) n r_0^{n-2} \alpha_2 \\
 &= \alpha_1 r_0^n + \alpha_2 n r_0^n \\
 &= a_n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\because 2r_0 = c_1 \text{ and } \Delta = c_1^2 + 4c_2 = 0 \text{ and } r_0^2 = c_1 r_0 + c_2$$

To show every solution of the Recurrence has the same form as above consider the following statements

$$a_0 = c_0 = \alpha_1$$

$$a_1 = c_1 = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) r_0$$

$$\alpha_1 = c_0$$

$$\alpha_2 = \frac{c_1 - r_0 c_0}{r_0}$$

With the values of α_1 and α_2 we obtain a sequence $\{a_n\}$ such that

$$a_n = \alpha_1 r_0^n + \alpha_2 n r_0^n$$

satisfy same initial conditions as the given recurrence relation

We know that for a linear homogeneous recurrence of degree 2 Unique solution is obtained for two given initial conditions

$\therefore a_n = \alpha_1 r_0^n + \alpha_2 n r_0^n$ is the only possible solution for the given recurrence relation $a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + c_2 a_{n-2}$

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Problem 4