

1 Identidades

1.1 Séries

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n i^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n i \right)^2$$

$$g_k(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n i^k = \frac{1}{k+1} \left(n^{k+1} + \sum_{j=1}^k \binom{k+1}{j+1} (-1)^{j+1} g_{k-j}(n) \right)$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n i c^i = \frac{n c^{n+2} - (n+1)c^{n+1} + c}{(c-1)^2}, \quad c \neq 1$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} i c^i = \frac{c}{(1-c)^2}, \quad |c| < 1$$

1.2 Binomial Identities

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n}{k} \binom{n-1}{k-1}$$

$$\binom{n-1}{k} - \binom{n-1}{k-1} = \frac{n-2k}{k} \binom{n}{k}$$

$$\binom{n}{h} \binom{n-h}{k} = \binom{n}{k} \binom{n-k}{h}$$

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

$$\sum_{k=0}^n k \binom{n}{k} = n 2^{n-1}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n k^2 \binom{n}{k} = (n+n^2) 2^{n-2}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^k \binom{m}{j} \binom{n-m}{k-j} = \binom{n}{k}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j}^2 = \binom{2m}{m}$$

$$\sum_{m=0}^n \binom{m}{j} \binom{n-m}{k-j} = \binom{n+1}{k+1}$$

$$\sum_{m=k}^n \binom{m}{k} = \binom{n+1}{k+1}$$

$$\sum_{r=0}^m \binom{n+r}{r} = \binom{n+m+1}{m}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \binom{n-k}{k} = \text{Fib}(n+1)$$

$$(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$$

$$(1+x)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k$$

$$2 \sum_{i=L}^R \binom{n}{i} - \binom{n}{L} - \binom{n}{R} = \sum_{i=L+1}^R \binom{n+1}{i}$$

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

$$\binom{C_1+C_2+\dots+C_N}{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_N} = \prod_{i=1}^N \binom{\sum_{j=1}^i C_j}{C_i}$$

1.3 Progressão Aritmética (PA)

Termo Geral: $a_n = a_1 + (n-1)r$

Soma dos Termos: $S_n = \frac{(a_1+a_n)n}{2}$

PA de 2ª Ordem: $a_n = An^2 + Bn + C$

1.4 Progressão Geométrica (PG)

Termo Geral: $a_n = a_1 \cdot q^{n-1}$

Soma Finita: $S_n = a_1 \frac{q^n - 1}{q - 1}$

Soma Infinita ($|q| < 1$): $S_\infty = \frac{a_1}{1-q}$

1.5 Funções Geradoras

$$(1+x)^n = \sum_{k \geq 0} \binom{n}{k} x^k$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^{m+1}} = \sum_{k \geq 0} \binom{k+m}{m} x^k$$

$$\frac{x^m}{(1-x)^{m+1}} = \sum_{k \geq 0} \binom{k}{m} x^k$$

2 Number Theory

2.1 Identities

$$\sum_{d|n} \varphi(d) = n$$

$$\sum_{\substack{i < n \\ \gcd(i,n)=1}} i = n \cdot \frac{\varphi(n)}{2}$$

$$|\{(x,y) : 1 \leq x, y \leq n, \gcd(x,y) = 1\}| = \sum_{d=1}^n \mu(d) \left\lfloor \frac{n}{d} \right\rfloor^2$$

$$\sum_{x=1}^n \sum_{y=1}^n \gcd(x,y) = \sum_{k=1}^n k \sum_{\substack{l \\ k|l}} \left\lfloor \frac{n}{l} \right\rfloor^2 \mu\left(\frac{l}{k}\right)$$

$$\sum_{x=1}^n \sum_{y=x}^n \gcd(x, y) = \sum_{g=1}^n \sum_{g|d} g \cdot \varphi\left(\frac{d}{g}\right)$$

$$\sum_{x=1}^n \sum_{y=1}^n \operatorname{lcm}(x, y) = \sum_{d=1}^n d \mu(d) \sum_{d|l} l \binom{\lfloor \frac{n}{l} \rfloor + 1}{2}^2$$

$$\sum_{x=1}^n \sum_{y=x+1}^n \operatorname{lcm}(x, y) = \sum_{g=1}^n \sum_{g|d} d \cdot \varphi\left(\frac{d}{g}\right) \cdot \frac{d}{g} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sum_{x \in A} \sum_{y \in A} \gcd(x, y) = \sum_{t=1}^n \left(\sum_{l|t} \frac{t}{l} \mu(l) \right) \left(\sum_{t|a} \operatorname{freq}[a] \right)^2$$

$$\sum_{x \in A} \sum_{y \in A} \operatorname{lcm}(x, y) = \sum_{t=1}^n \left(\sum_{l|t} \frac{l}{t} \mu(l) \right) \left(\sum_{a \in A, t|a} a \right)^2$$

2.2 Large Prime Gaps

For numbers until 10^9 the largest gap is 400.

For numbers until 10^{18} the largest gap is 1500.

2.3 Prime counting function - $\pi(x)$

The prime counting function is asymptotic to $\frac{x}{\log x}$, by the prime number theorem.

x	10^1	10^2	10^3	10^4	10^5	10^6	10^7	10^8
$\pi(x)$	4	25	168	1 229	9 592	78 498	664 579	5 761 455

2.4 Some Primes

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 999999937 & 1000000007 & 1000000009 & 1000000021 & 1000000033 \\ 10^{18} - 11 & 10^{18} + 3 & 2305843009213693951 = 2^{61} - 1 \end{array}$$

2.5 Number of Divisors

n	6	60	360	5040	55440	720720	4324320	21621600
d(n)	4	12	24	60	120	240	384	576

n	367567200	6983776800	13967553600	321253732800
d(n)	1152	2304	2688	5376

$18401055938125660800 \approx 2e18$ is highly composite with 184320 divisors.
For numbers up to 10^{88} , $d(n) < 3.6\sqrt[3]{n}$.

2.6 Lucas's Theorem

$$\binom{n}{m} \equiv \prod_{i=0}^k \binom{n_i}{m_i} \pmod{p}$$

For p prime. n_i and m_i are the coefficients of the representations of n and m in base p . In particular, $\binom{n}{m}$ is odd if and only if n is a submask of m .

2.7 Fermat's Theorems

Let p be a prime number and a an integer, then:

$$a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$$

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

Lemma: Let p be a prime number and a and b integers, then:

$$(a+b)^p \equiv a^p + b^p \pmod{p}$$

Lemma: Let p be a prime number and a an integer. The inverse of a modulo p is a^{p-2} :

$$a^{-1} \equiv a^{p-2} \pmod{p}$$

2.8 Taking modulo at the exponent

If a and m are coprime, then

$$a^n \equiv a^{n \bmod \varphi(m)} \pmod{m}$$

Generally, if $n \geq \log_2 m$, then

$$a^n \equiv a^{\varphi(m) + [n \bmod \varphi(m)]} \pmod{m}$$

2.9 Möbius inversion

If $g(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$, then $f(n) = \sum_{d|n} g(d) \mu\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$.

A more useful definition is: $\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = [n = 1]$

Example, sum of LCM:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \text{lcm}(i, j) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n [\gcd(i, j) = k] \frac{ij}{k} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{a=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \rfloor} \sum_{b=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \rfloor} [\gcd(a, b) = 1] abk \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n k \sum_{a=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \rfloor} a \sum_{b=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \rfloor} b \sum_{d=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \rfloor} [d|a] [d|b] \mu(d) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n k \sum_{d=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \rfloor} \mu(d) \left(\sum_{a=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \rfloor} [d|a] a \right) \left(\sum_{b=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \rfloor} [d|b] b \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n k \sum_{d=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \rfloor} \mu(d) \left(\sum_{p=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{kd} \rfloor} p \right) \left(\sum_{q=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{kd} \rfloor} q \right) \end{aligned}$$

2.10 Chicken McNugget Theorem

Given two **coprime** numbers n, m , the largest number that cannot be written as a linear combination of them is $nm - n - m$.

- There are $\frac{(n-1)(m-1)}{2}$ non-negative integers that cannot be written as a linear combination of n and m ;

- For each pair $(k, nm - n - m - k)$, for $k \geq 0$, exactly one can be written.

2.11 Harmonic Lemma

This technique computes sums of the form $\sum_{i=1}^n f\left(\lfloor \frac{n}{i} \rfloor\right)$ in $O(\sqrt{n})$.

The value of $\lfloor \frac{n}{i} \rfloor$ is constant over blocks. If we are at index l , the value $v = \lfloor \frac{n}{l} \rfloor$ remains constant up to index $r = \lfloor \frac{n}{v} \rfloor$. We can iterate through these blocks instead of individual indices.

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long long sum = 0;
for (int l = 1, r; l <= n; l = r + 1) {
    int val = n / l;
    r = n / val;
    sum += (long long)(r - l + 1) * f(val);
}
```

Generalization: For sums like $\sum_{i=1}^n g(i) \cdot f\left(\lfloor \frac{n}{i} \rfloor\right)$, the contribution of a block $[l, r]$ is:

$$(G(r) - G(l-1)) \cdot f\left(\lfloor \frac{n}{l} \rfloor\right)$$

where $G(k)$ is the prefix sum $\sum_{i=1}^k g(i)$, which must be efficiently computable.

2.12 Goldbach's Conjecture

Every even integer greater than 2 is the sum of two prime numbers. Verified for all even numbers up to 4×10^{18}

3 Combinatória

3.1 Stars and Bars Bounded

De quantas formas podemos definir uma sequencia x tal que:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n x_i = M$$

$$l_i \leq x_i \leq r_i$$

3.1.1 Existência de solução

A existência de solução é garantida se e somente se:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n l_i \leq M \leq \sum_{i=0}^n r_i$$

3.1.2 Solução com DP em $O(NM^2)$

$$DP(N, M) = \sum_{i=l_n}^{r_n} DP(N - 1, M - i)$$

$$DP(0, M) = \begin{cases} 0, & M \neq 0 \\ 1, & M = 0 \end{cases}$$

3.1.3 Caso Particular $l_i = 0, r_i = M$

Stars and Bars com N-1 Barras

$$Resposta = \binom{M + N - 1}{M}$$

3.1.4 Redução do problema para $l_i = 0$

$$M \leftarrow M - \sum_{i=0}^n l_i$$

$$x_i \leftarrow x_i - l_i$$

$$r_i \leftarrow r_i - l_i$$

$$l_i \leftarrow 0$$

3.1.5 Caso Especial $r_i = R$

$$Resposta = \sum_{k=0}^N (-1)^k \binom{N}{k} \binom{M - (R+1)k + N - 1}{N - 1}$$

3.2 Formulas Básicas

Permutação Circular

O número de maneiras de ordenar n objetos distintos em um círculo.

$$PC_n = (n - 1)!$$

Permutação com Repetição

O número de maneiras de ordenar n objetos, onde existem n_1 objetos idênticos de um tipo, n_2 de outro, e assim por diante.

$$P_n^{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k} = \frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \dots n_k!}$$

Combinação Caótica (Desarranjo)

O número de permutações de n objetos onde nenhum objeto permanece em sua posição original.

$$D_n = n! \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!}$$

Aproximação para n grande:

$$D_n \approx \frac{n!}{e}$$

Generalization for calculating number of elements in exactly r sets

A princípio da inclusão-exclusão pode ser reescrito para calcular o número de elementos que estão presentes em zero conjuntos:

$$\left| \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i \right| = \sum_{m=0}^n (-1)^m \sum_{|X|=m} \left| \bigcap_{i \in X} A_i \right|$$

Considere sua generalização para calcular o número de elementos que estão presentes em exatamente r conjuntos:

$$\left| \bigcup_{|B|=r} \left[\bigcap_{i \in B} A_i \cap \bigcap_{j \notin B} A_j \right] \right| = \sum_{m=r}^n (-1)^{m-r} \binom{m}{r} \sum_{|X|=m} \left| \bigcap_{i \in X} A_i \right|$$

4 Geometry

4.1 Pythagorean Triples

For all natural a, b, c satisfying $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ there exist $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $m > n$ such that (reverse is also true):

$$a = m^2 - n^2 \quad b = 2mn \quad c = m^2 + n^2$$

4.2 Heron's Formula

The area of a triangle can be written as $A = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$, where a, b, c are the lengths of its sides and $s = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$.

This can be generalized to compute the area A of a quadrilateral with sides a, b, c, d , with $s = \frac{a+b+c+d}{2}$ and α, γ any two opposite angles:

$$A = \sqrt{(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)(s-d) - abcd \left(\cos^2 \left(\frac{\alpha + \gamma}{2} \right) \right)}$$

4.3 Pick's Theorem

The area of a simple polygon whose vertices have integer coordinates is:

$$A = I + \frac{B}{2} - 1$$

where I is the number of interior integer points, and B is the number of integer points in the border of the polygon.

4.4 Colinear Points

Three points are colinear on \mathbb{R}^2 iff:

$$\begin{vmatrix} x_A & y_A & 1 \\ x_B & y_B & 1 \\ x_C & y_C & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

The absolute value of this determinant is twice the area of the triangle ABC .

4.5 Coplanar Points

Four points are coplanar in \mathbb{R}^3 iff:

$$\begin{vmatrix} x_A & y_A & z_A & 1 \\ x_B & y_B & z_B & 1 \\ x_C & y_C & z_C & 1 \\ x_D & y_D & z_D & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

4.6 Trigonometry

4.6.1 Angle Sum

$$\sin(a \pm b) = \sin a \cos b \pm \cos a \sin b$$

$$\cos(a \pm b) = \cos a \cos b \mp \sin a \sin b$$

$$\tan(a \pm b) = \frac{\tan a \pm \tan b}{1 \mp \tan a \tan b}$$

4.6.2 Sum-to-Product Transformation

$$\sin a \pm \sin b = 2 \sin \frac{a \pm b}{2} \cos \frac{a \mp b}{2}$$

$$\cos a + \cos b = 2 \cos \frac{a+b}{2} \cos \frac{a-b}{2}$$

$$\cos a - \cos b = -2 \sin \frac{a+b}{2} \sin \frac{a-b}{2}$$

$$\tan a \pm \tan b = \frac{\sin(a \pm b)}{\cos a \cos b}$$

4.7 Centroid of a polygon

The coordinates of the centroid of a non-self-intersecting closed polygon is:

$$\frac{1}{3A} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (x_i + x_{i+1})(x_i y_{i+1} - x_{i+1} y_i), \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (y_i + y_{i+1})(x_i y_{i+1} - x_{i+1} y_i) \right),$$

where A is twice the signed area of the polygon.

4.8 2D Shapes

4.8.1 Square

- **Perimeter:** $P = 4s$
- **Area:** $A = s^2$

Where s is the side length.

4.8.2 Rectangle

- **Perimeter:** $P = 2(l + w)$
- **Area:** $A = l \cdot w$

Where l is the length and w is the width.

4.8.3 Triangle

- **Perimeter:** $P = a + b + c$
- **Area:** $A = \frac{1}{2}b \cdot h$
- **Heron's Formula (Area):** $A = \sqrt{s(s - a)(s - b)(s - c)}$, where $s = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$.

Where a, b, c are the side lengths, b is the base, and h is the height.

4.8.4 Circle

- **Circumference:** $C = 2\pi r = \pi d$
- **Area:** $A = \pi r^2$

Where r is the radius and d is the diameter.

4.8.5 Parallelogram

- **Perimeter:** $P = 2(a + b)$
- **Area:** $A = b \cdot h$

Where a, b are adjacent side lengths, b is the base, and h is the height.

4.8.6 Trapezoid

- **Area:** $A = \frac{1}{2}(a + b)h$

Where a and b are the parallel side lengths and h is the height.

4.9 3D Shapes

4.9.1 Cube

- **Surface Area:** $SA = 6s^2$
- **Volume:** $V = s^3$

Where s is the side length.

4.9.2 Rectangular Prism (Cuboid)

- **Surface Area:** $SA = 2(lw + lh + wh)$
- **Volume:** $V = lwh$

Where l, w, h are the length, width, and height.

4.9.3 Sphere

- **Surface Area:** $SA = 4\pi r^2$
- **Volume:** $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$

Where r is the radius.

4.9.4 Cylinder

- **Lateral Surface Area:** $A_L = 2\pi rh$
- **Total Surface Area:** $SA = 2\pi rh + 2\pi r^2 = 2\pi r(h + r)$
- **Volume:** $V = \pi r^2 h$

Where r is the radius and h is the height.

4.9.5 Cone

- **Lateral Surface Area:** $A_L = \pi r l$
- **Total Surface Area:** $SA = \pi r l + \pi r^2 = \pi r(l + r)$
- **Volume:** $V = \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 h$

Where r is the radius, h is the height, and $l = \sqrt{r^2 + h^2}$ is the slant height.

4.9.6 Pyramid

- **Volume:** $V = \frac{1}{3} A_b \cdot h$

Where A_b is the area of the base and h is the height.

5 Grafos

5.1 Min Cut Max Flow Duality

We seek to construct a binary string S of length n that minimizes a total cost. The cost is defined as follows:

- If $S_i = 0$, a cost of A_i is incurred.
- If $S_i = 1$, a cost of B_i is incurred.
- If $S_i = 1$ and $S_j = 0$, a penalty of $C_{i,j}$ is incurred.

The total cost is the sum of all such costs and penalties for the chosen string S .

1. For each node i , add an edge $s \rightarrow i$ with capacity B_i . This represents the cost of setting $S_i = 1$.
2. For each node i , add an edge $i \rightarrow t$ with capacity A_i . This represents the cost of setting $S_i = 0$.
3. For each pair (i, j) with a penalty, add an edge $i \rightarrow j$ with capacity $C_{i,j}$. This represents the penalty for setting $S_i = 1$ and $S_j = 0$.

The capacity of a cut in this graph corresponds to the total cost of the binary string defined by the partition. For example, if node i is in the T -partition ($S_i = 1$) and node j is in the S -partition ($S_j = 0$), the edge $i \rightarrow j$ must be cut, adding the penalty $C_{i,j}$ to the total cost. By the max-flow min-cut theorem, the minimum cost is equal to the maximum flow from s to t .

5.2 Notable Applications and Equivalences on Flow

- **Bipartite Matching:**

The size of the maximum matching in a bipartite graph is equal to the maximum flow in a network constructed from the graph.

- **König's Theorem:**

In any bipartite graph, the number of edges in the maximum matching is equal to the number of vertices in the minimum vertex cover.

$$\text{Maximum Matching} = \text{Minimum Vertex Cover}$$

$$\text{Maximum Independent Set} = |V| - \text{Maximum Matching}$$

- **Menger's Theorem:**

The maximum number of vertex-disjoint paths between two vertices u, v is equal to the minimum number of vertices to be removed to disconnect u and v .

- **Project Selection Problem (Min-Cut):**

Binary decision problems with interdependent costs and profits can be modeled as a minimum cut problem, where the cut separates the "chosen" decisions from the "not chosen" ones.

6 Strings

6.0.1 The Concatenation Trick

An elegant way to solve the string matching problem is to construct a new string $S = P + \# + T$, where $\#$ is a delimiter character not present in P or T . We then compute the prefix function π_S for this combined string.

6.0.2 Finding the Smallest Period of a String

The smallest period of a string S of length n can be found using $\pi[n-1]$. The value $k = n - \pi[n-1]$ is a potential period. If n is divisible by k , then k is the length of the smallest period. Otherwise, the smallest period is n itself. The intuition is that $\pi[n-1]$ represents the largest overlap between the beginning and the end of the string, so the non-overlapping part, $n - \pi[n-1]$, must be the repeating unit.

6.0.3 String Compression

This is equivalent to finding the smallest period. The problem asks for the shortest string t such that S can be represented as k concatenations of t . The length of this base string t is $n - \pi[n - 1]$, provided n is divisible by this length.

6.1 Number of Distinct Substrings ($O(n^2)$):

A classic solution is to iterate through all n suffixes $S[i..]$. For each suffix, we compute its Z-function in $O(n)$. The largest $Z[j]$ value found for this suffix represents the LCP (Longest Common Prefix) with another suffix $S[j..]$ that starts later. The number of new substrings introduced at i is the length of the suffix $(n - i)$ minus the largest Z value found. The total sum gives us the number of distinct substrings.

6.2 Matching with $\leq k$ consecutive errors ($O(n)$):

To find a pattern P in a text T (length n) allowing a block of up to k consecutive errors, we use the Z-function twice.

1. Compute $Z(P + "$" + T)$ to find the LCP of P with each suffix $T[i..]$. This gives us $\text{lcp}[i]$, the length of the match before the first mismatch.
2. Compute $Z(P^R + "$" + T^R)$ (reversed strings). This allows us to find the LCS (Longest Common Suffix) of P ending at each position j in the text, let's call it $\text{lcs}[j]$.

A valid occurrence of P starts at $T[i]$ if the sum of the prefix match and the suffix match covers almost the entire pattern, i.e.:

$$\text{lcp}[i] + \text{lcs}[i + |P| - 1] \geq |P| - k.$$

7 Game Theory

The Game of Nim

Nim is the canonical impartial game. It consists of several piles of stones. A move consists of choosing one pile and removing any positive number of stones from it.

Winning Condition: The winning strategy is determined by the **Nim-Sum** of the pile sizes, which is their bitwise XOR sum. Let the pile sizes be p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k .

$$\text{Nim-Sum} = p_1 \oplus p_2 \oplus \dots \oplus p_k$$

A position is a P-position (losing) if and only if its Nim-Sum is 0. Otherwise, it is an N-position (winning).

The Sprague-Grundy Theorem

This is the fundamental theorem of impartial games. It states that every impartial game under the normal play convention is equivalent to a Nim pile of a certain size. This "equivalent size" is called the **Grundy number** (or **nim-value**).

Grundy Numbers (g-numbers): The Grundy number of a game state S , denoted $g(S)$, is defined recursively as the smallest non-negative integer that is not among the Grundy numbers of the states reachable in one move from S . This is the **Minimum Excluded value (MEX)** of that set.

$$g(S) = \text{mex}\{g(S') \mid S' \text{ is reachable from } S \text{ in one move}\}$$

The MEX of a set of non-negative integers is the smallest non-negative integer not in the set. For example, $\text{mex}\{0, 1, 3, 4\} = 2$.

Sum of Games: Many games can be decomposed into a sum of independent sub-games (e.g., a game played on multiple disconnected boards). The Sprague-Grundy theorem states that the g-number of a sum of games is the Nim-Sum of the g-numbers of the sub-games.

$$g(G_1 + G_2 + \dots + G_k) = g(G_1) \oplus g(G_2) \oplus \dots \oplus g(G_k)$$

Winning Condition (General Games): Combining these ideas provides a universal winning condition for any impartial game:

A game state is a P-position (losing) if and only if its Grundy number is 0.

Classic Games and their Grundy Numbers

- **A single pile of Nim:** For a pile of size n , the g-number is simply n . So, $g(n) = n$. This is why the XOR sum works for multiple piles.

- **Subtraction Games:** A game with a single pile where a player can remove any number of stones $s \in \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$. The g-number for a pile of size n is:

$$g(n) = \text{mex}\{g(n - s_i) \mid s_i \in S, n \geq s_i\}$$

8 Other

8.0.1 String Matching with Wildcards

Consider a text T and a pattern P . P and T may have wildcards that will match any character. The problem is to get the positions where P occur in T .

If we define the value of the characters such that the wildcard is zero and the other characters are positive, there is a matching at position i iff

$$\sum_{j=0}^{|P|-1} P[j]T[i+j](P[j] - T[i+j])^2 = 0.$$

Then, one can evaluate each term of

$$\sum_{j=0}^{|P|-1} (P[j]^3T[i+j] - 2P[j]^2T[i+j]^2 + P[j]T[i+j]^3)$$

using three convolutions.

