

CSCE 222 [Sections 503, 504] Discrete Structures for Computing  
Fall 2019 – Hyunyoung Lee

**Problem Set 8**

**Due dates:** Electronic submission of *yourLastName-yourFirstName-hw8.tex* and *yourLastName-yourFirstName-hw8.pdf* files of this homework is due on **Friday, 11/8/2019 before 10:00 p.m.** on <http://ecampus.tamu.edu>. You will see two separate links to turn in the .tex file and the .pdf file separately. Please do not archive or compress the files. **If any of the two submissions are missing, you will likely receive zero points for this homework.**

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**Resources.** Discrete Mathematics and its Applications 8th Edition

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Total 100 points.

**Problem 1.** (2.5 points  $\times$  4 = 10 points) Section 6.3, Exercise 20, page 435

**Solution. a)**  $\binom{10}{3} = 120$

**b)** At least 6 0s.  $\binom{10}{6} + \binom{10}{7} + \binom{10}{8} + \binom{10}{9} + \binom{10}{10} = 386$

**c)** At least seven 1s is the same as at most 3 0s.  $\binom{10}{0} + \binom{10}{1} + \binom{10}{2} + \binom{10}{3} = 176$

**d)** At least three 1s is the same as the total combinations subtracted by the strings with at most 2 1s.  $2^{10} = 1024 - \binom{10}{0} - \binom{10}{1} - \binom{10}{2} = 968$

**Problem 2.** (2 points  $\times$  5 = 10 points) Section 6.3, Exercise 22 b), c), d), e), and f), page 435

**Solution. b)**  $6! = 720$

**c)**  $5! = 120$

**d)**  $5! = 120$

**e)**  $4! = 24$

**f)** Not possible to have both. If BCA exists, then ABF cannot exist and vice versa.

**Problem 3.** (5 points  $\times$  2 = 10 points) Section 6.4, Exercise 12 a) and b), page 444

**Solution. a)**  $\binom{6}{3} * (5x^2)^{(6-3)} * (2y^3)^3$

$\binom{6}{3} * (5^3)(2^3)x^6y^9$

Coefficient is  $20 * 125 * 8 = 20000$

**b)**  $\binom{6}{5} * (5x^2)^{(6-5)} * (2y^3)^5$   
 $\binom{6}{5} * (5^1)(2^5)x^2y^{15}$

Coefficient is  $6 * 5 * 32 = 960$

**Problem 4.** (10 + 3 + 7 = 20 points) Section 8.1, Exercise 10, page 537. For a) and c), explain and show your work.

**Solution. a)** Looking at a bit string  $a$  of length  $n$ , if you look at one number, the total number of bit strings containing the string 01 is going to be  $a_{n-1}$ , which we should already know through recursion. Now we can look at two numbers and the remaining bit string is going to be length of  $n-2$ . Looking at three, the remaining bit string is going to be length of  $n-3$  and so on. Using this info, you can make a geometric sequence as follows.

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

By using the definition of the sum of a geometric sequence, we can write this as

$$2^{n-1} - 1$$

To get our closed form for  $a_n$ , we need to go back and add the  $a_{n-1}$  that was found recursively to get

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + 2^{n-1} - 1$$

**b)** A string needs to have at least a length of 2 to contain 01. That means the initial conditions are  $a_0 = 0$  and  $a_1 = 0$

**c)**

$$a_0 = 0$$

$$a_1 = 0$$

$$a_2 = a_1 + 2^1 - 1 = 1$$

$$a_3 = a_2 + 2^2 - 1 = 4$$

$$a_4 = a_3 + 2^3 - 1 = 11$$

$$a_5 = a_4 + 2^4 - 1 = 26$$

$$a_6 = a_5 + 2^5 - 1 = 57$$

$$a_7 = a_6 + 2^6 - 1 = 120$$

**Problem 5.** (20 points) Section 8.1, Exercise 28, page 538. This problem has two parts as below.

**Solution.**

a) (10 points) *Show that the Fibonacci numbers satisfy ...*

The Fibonacci sequence is defined as  $f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$ . We can expand this out to see if the recurrence relation given will satisfy this.

$$\begin{aligned}f_n &= f_{n-1} + f_{n-2} \\&= (f_{n-2} + f_{n-3}) + (f_{n-3} + f_{n-4}) = f_{n-2} + 2f_{n-3} + f_{n-4} \\&= (f_{n-3} + f_{n-4}) + 2 * (f_{n-4} + f_{n-5}) + f_{n-4} = f_{n-3} + 4f_{n-4} + 2f_{n-5} \\&= f_{n-4} + f_{n-5} + 4f_{n-4} + 2f_{n-5} = 5f_{n-4} + 3f_{n-5}\end{aligned}$$

b) (10 points) *Use this recurrence relation to show that ... (Prove by induction on n.)*

Induction base:

P(1):  $f_5 = 5$ . Since 5 is divisible by 5, so P(1) holds.

Induction Step: As induction hypothesis, assume that P(n) holds. Then show that P(n+1) holds.

$$\begin{aligned}f_{5(n+1)} &= f_{5n} + f_{5n-1} \text{ by def. of Fibonacci numbers} \\&= 5f_{5(n-4)} + 3f_{5(n-5)} + 5f_{5((n-1)-4)} + 3f_{5((n-1)-5)} \text{ by IH}\end{aligned}$$

Because the two terms that can be formed from the expression above can be divided by 5 from the induction hypothesis, adding the two together will still result in a multiple of 5. Therefore, the claim holds by induction on n.

*For Problems 6 and 7, use Table 1 on page 568.*

**Problem 6.** (5 points  $\times$  3 = 15 points) Section 8.4, Exercise 6 b)-d), page 575

**Solution.** b)  $\frac{2x}{1-2x}$

c)  $\frac{2x-1}{(1-x)^2}$

d)  $\frac{e^x-1}{x}$

**Problem 7.** (5 points  $\times$  3 = 15 points) Section 8.4, Exercise 8 b)-d), page 575.

**Solution.** b)  $\binom{3}{n} * -(-3)^n$

c) If n is an even integer,  $2^n$ . If n is an odd integer, 0.

d)  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$  for  $n \geq 2$  and initial conditions  $a_0 = 0$   $a_1 = 0$

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