

**Indian Institute of Information Technology Vadodara**  
**MA 101: Introduction to Discrete Mathematics**  
**Tutorial 8**

1. Find the solution of the recurrence relation  $a_n = 2a_{n-1} + 2n^2$  with initial condition  $a_1 = 4$ .
2. Find all solutions of the recurrence relation  $a_n = 7a_{n-1} - 16a_{n-2} + 12a_{n-3} + n4^n$  with  $a_0 = -2, a_1 = 0$ , and  $a_2 = 5$ .
3. Find  $f(n)$  when  $n = 3^k$ , where  $f$  satisfies the recurrence relation  $f(n) = 2f(n/3) + 4$  with  $f(1) = 1$ .
4. Use generating functions to find an explicit formula for the Fibonacci numbers.
5. Use generating functions to solve the recurrence relation  $a_k = 2a_{k-1} + 3a_{k-2} + 4^k + 6$  with initial conditions  $a_0 = 20, a_1 = 60$ .
6. Use generating functions to find the number of ways to make change for Rs 100 using notes of Rs 10, 20, 50.
7. Find a recurrence relation and generating function for the number of ways that the sum  $n$  can be obtained when a die is rolled repeatedly and the order of the rolls matters.
8. Exponential generating function for the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is the series:  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n!} x^n$ . Note that  $e^x = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} x^n$ .  
Find a closed form for the exponential generating function for the sequence  $\{a_n\}$ , where  
a)  $a_n = n$ ; b)  $a_n = n(n-1)$