

# Student Information

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## Answer 1

a) For every 1 to be followed immediately by a 0, length  $l$  of the string must be greater than or equal to 2. When  $l=2$ , there is only 1 bit string that 1 followed immediately by 0, such that  $a_2=1$ . When  $l=3$ , there are 2 bit strings that every 1 followed immediately by 0, such that  $a_3=2$ . When  $l=4$ , there are 4 bit strings that every 1 followed immediately by 0, such that  $a_4=4$ . When  $l=5$ , there are 7 bit strings that every 1 followed immediately by 0, such that  $a_5=7$ . When  $l=6$ , there are 12 bit strings that every 1 followed immediately by 0, such that  $a_6=12$ . When  $l=7$ , there are 20 bit strings that every 1 followed immediately by 0, such that  $a_7=20$ . And so on. It is now clear that we have a recurrence relation with the variable  $l$ , length of the bit string, such that  $a_l = a_{l-1} + a_{l-2} + 1$ ; with initial conditions  $a_2=1$ , and  $a_3=2$ .

When we plug in  $l=9$  to the recurrence relation:

$$\begin{aligned} a_9 &= a_8 + a_7 + 1 = (a_7 + a_6 + 1) + (a_6 + a_5 + 1) + 1 = (20 + 12 + 1) + (12 + 7 + 1) + 1 \\ &= 33 + 20 + 1 = 54 \end{aligned}$$

b) Since the arrangement does not constrained the solution, we use combinations of 10 from 8 to 10.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=8}^{10} C(10, n) &= C(10, 8) + C(10, 9) + C(10, 10) \\ &= 45 + 10 + 1 = 56 \end{aligned}$$

c) From the theorem at page 561 from the textbook.

$$3^4 - \binom{3}{2} \cdot 2^4 + \binom{3}{1} \cdot 1^4 = 81 - 3 \cdot 16 + 3 \cdot 1 = 36$$

d) We first choose 1 Discrete Mathematics textbook and 1 Signals and Systems textbook. Then out of remaining 10 books (4 Discrete Mathematics textbooks and 6 Signals and Systems textbook) we chose 2 books.

$$C(5, 1) \cdot C(7, 1) \cdot \left( \frac{10!}{2! \cdot 4! \cdot 6!} \right) = 7 \cdot 5 \cdot 105 = 3625$$

## Answer 2

a) When  $n=1$ , our set has 2 subsets that do not contain two consecutive numbers, such that  $a_1 = 2$ . When  $n=2$ , our set has 4 subsets since  $\{1,2\}$  contain two consecutive numbers we do not count that one, such that  $a_2 = 3$ .

$$n=1: \emptyset, \{1\} ; a_1 = 2$$

$$n=2: \emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\} ; a_2 = 3$$

$$n=3: \emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 3\} ; a_3 = 5$$

$$n=4: \emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 4\}, \{2, 4\} ; a_4 = 8$$

$$n=5: \emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{5\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 4\}, \{1, 5\}, \{2, 4\}, \{2, 5\}, \{3, 5\}, \{1, 3, 5\} ; a_5 = 13$$

$$n=6: \emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{5\}, \{6\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 4\}, \{1, 5\}, \{1, 6\}, \{2, 4\}, \{2, 5\}, \{2, 6\}, \{3, 5\}, \{3, 6\},$$

$$\{4, 6\}, \{1, 3, 5\}, \{1, 3, 6\}, \{1, 4, 6\}, \{2, 4, 6\} ; a_6 = 21$$

And so on. Therefore, our recurrence relation is represented as follows:

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} \text{ for } n \geq 3; \text{ with initial conditions } a_1 = 2 \text{ and } a_2 = 3$$

b)

By using the definitions of **Generating function for the sequence**  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_k, \dots$  of real numbers is the infinite series

$$\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_kx^k + \dots = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_kx^k$$

## Extended binomial theorem

$$(1+x)^u = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{u}{k} \cdot x^k$$

Our recursive relation is  $a_k = a_{k-1} + a_{k-2}$ , for  $k \geq 3$  and has the initial conditions  $a_1 = 2$  and  $a_2 = 3$

To make our work with generating functions simpler, we extend this sequence by setting  $a_0 = 1$ ; when we assign this value to  $a_0$  and use the recurrence relation, we have  $3 = a_2 = a_1 + a_0 = 2 + 1$ , which is consistent with our original initial condition.

$$\text{Let } G(x) = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k x^k$$

$$\begin{aligned} G(x) - a_0 - a_1 x - a_2 x^2 &= \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} a_k x^k \\ &= \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} (a_{k-1} + a_{k-2}) x^k \\ &= x \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} (a_{k-1}) x^{k-1} + x^2 \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} (a_{k-2}) x^{k-2} \\ &= x \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} a_m x^m + x^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^n \\ &= x(G(x) - a_0 - a_1 x) + x^2(G(x) - a_0) \end{aligned}$$

We thus obtain the equation:

$$G(x) - a_0 - a_1 x - a_2 x^2 = x(G(x) - a_0 - a_1 x) + x^2(G(x) - a_0)$$

By substituting  $a_0 = 1$ ,  $a_1 = 2$ , and  $a_2 = 3$

$$G(x) - 1 - 2x - 3x^2 = x(G(x) - 1 - 2x) + x^2(G(x) - 1)$$

$$G(x)(1 - x - x^2) = x + 1$$

$$G(x) = \frac{x + 1}{1 - x - x^2}$$

We found an expression for  $G(x)$ , now we need to term the sequence  $\{a_k\}$ .  
First we will determine the **partial fractions**

$$\frac{x + 1}{1 - x - x^2} = \frac{A}{x + \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}} + \frac{B}{x + \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}}$$

$$A + B = -1 \text{ and } A - B = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\text{Therefore } A = \frac{-5 - \sqrt{5}}{10} \text{ and } B = \frac{-5 + \sqrt{5}}{10}$$

$$G(x) = \frac{\left(\frac{5+3\sqrt{5}}{10}\right)}{1 - \frac{(1+\sqrt{5})x}{2}} + \frac{\left(\frac{5-3\sqrt{5}}{10}\right)}{1 - \frac{(1-\sqrt{5})x}{2}}$$

By using the identity  $\frac{1}{1-ax} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a^k x^k$ , we have

$$G(x) = \left(\frac{5 + 3\sqrt{5}}{10}\right) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k x^k + \left(\frac{5 - 3\sqrt{5}}{10}\right) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k x^k$$

$$\text{Consequently, } a_k = \left(\frac{5 + 3\sqrt{5}}{10}\right) \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k + \left(\frac{5 - 3\sqrt{5}}{10}\right) \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^k$$

### Answer 3

$$a_n = 4a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} - 4a_{n-3} \text{ implies } c_1 = 4, c_2 = 1, \text{ and } c_3 = -4.$$

Then we can obtain the characteristic equation as  $r^3 - 4r^2 - r + 4 = (r - 4)(r + 1)(r - 1)$

Roots of this equation as follows,  $r_1 = 4, r_2 = -1$ , and  $r_3 = 1$

Therefore our recurrence relation is  $a_n = \alpha_1 4^n + \alpha_2 (-1)^n + \alpha_3 1^n$  and now we can use our initial conditions.

$$a_0 = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 4$$

$$a_1 = 4\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 8$$

$$a_3 = 16\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 34$$

$\alpha_1 = 2, \alpha_2 = 1$ , and  $\alpha_3 = 1$ ; from the Theory at page 545 we can write our recurrence relation as follows

$$a_n = 2 \cdot 4^n + 1 \cdot (-1)^n + 1 \cdot 1^n$$

## Answer 4

From the definition of "Equivalence Relation"; for R to be an equivalence relation it needs to be reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

**Reflexive:**  $(x,y)R(x,y)$

$$\forall x \forall y ((3x - 2y) = (3x - 2y))$$

**Symmetric:**

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z \forall t (((x,y)R(z,t)) \rightarrow ((z,t)R(x,y)))$$

$$\Longleftrightarrow$$

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z \forall t ((3x - 2y) = (3z - 2t)) \rightarrow ((3z - 2t) = (3x - 2y))$$

**Transitive:**

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z \forall t \forall k \forall p (((x,y)R(z,t)) \wedge ((z,t)R(k,p))) \rightarrow ((x,y)R(k,p))$$

$$\Longleftrightarrow$$

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z \forall t \forall k \forall p ((3x - 2y = 3z - 2t) \wedge (3z - 2t = 3k - 2p)) \rightarrow (3x - 2y = 3k - 2p)$$

Therefore, we have proved that the defined binary relation R is an equivalence relation.

Graphical representations of  $[(2, 3)]$  and  $[(2, -3)]$  in the Cartesian coordinate system as follows:

Red line indicates  $[(2, 3)]$ ; with  $3x - 2y = 0$

Blue line indicates  $[(2, -3)]$ ; with  $3x - 2y = 12$

