

CPSC 421 - Homework 1

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A.1(3,4,6)

A.1.3

Fibonacci:

n	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
f(n)	1	1	2	3	5	8	13	21	34	55	89	144	233	377	610

$$F_n F_{n+3} - F_{n+1} F_{n+2} \quad 1. 1 * 3 - 1 * 2 = 1 \quad 2. 1 * 5 - 2 * 3 = -1 \quad 3. 2 * 8 - 3 * 5 = 1 \quad 4. 3 * 13 - 5 * 8 = -1 \quad 5. 5 * 21 - 8 * 13 = 1$$

Theorem: The output of $f(n) = F_n F_{n+3} - F_{n+1} F_{n+2}$ is 1 when n is even and -1 when n is odd.

Proof by induction.

Case: n is odd.

Base cases: $n = 1: 1 * 3 - 1 * 2 = 1$ $n = 2: 1 * 5 - 2 * 3 = -1$

Induction step ($n \geq 3$):

$$f(n) = f(n+2)$$

$$F_n F_{n+3} - F_{n+1} F_{n+2} = F_{n+2} F_{n+5} - F_{n+3} F_{n+4}$$

$$= F_{n+2} (F_{n+1} + F_{n+5})$$

$$= (F_{n+1} + F_n)(F_{n+3} + F_{n+2} + F_{n+3}) - (F_{n+2} + F_{n+1})(F_{n+3} + F_{n+2})$$

$$= 2 * F_{n+1} F_{n+3} + F_{n+1} F_{n+2} + 2 * F_n F_{n+3} + F_n F_{n+2} - F_{n+2} F_{n+3} - F_{n+2} F_{n+2} - F_{n+1} F_{n+3} - F_{n+1} F_{n+2}$$

$$= F_{n+1} F_{n+3} + 2 * F_n F_{n+3} + F_n F_{n+2} - F_{n+2} F_{n+3} - F_{n+2} F_{n+2}$$

$$= F_{n+1} F_{n+3} + 2 * F_n F_{n+3} + F_n F_{n+2} - F_{n+1} F_{n+3} - F_n F_{n+3} - F_{n+1} F_{n+2} - F_n F_{n+2}$$

$$= F_n F_{n+3} - F_{n+1} F_{n+2}$$

Thus, since $f(n) = f(n+2)$ we prove via induction that the output will be 1 for all odd values of n and -1 for all even values of n .

A.1.4

In [15]: `def F(n):`

`...: return int(0.5+((1+sqrt(5))**n-(1-sqrt(5))**n)/(2**n*sqrt(5)))`

In [16]: `[(n, F(n) * F(n+8) - F(n+1)*F(n+7)) for n in range(1,6)]`

Out[16]: `[(1, 13), (2, -13), (3, 13), (4, -13), (5, 13)]`

For all even values of n , $f(n) = -13$. For all odd values of n , $f(n) = 13$.

Proof by induction.

Base cases: $n = 1: f(1) = 13$ $n = 2: f(2) = -13$

Induction step:

We must show that for all $n > 2$, $f(n) = f(n+2)$.

$$F_n F_{n+8} - F_{n+1} F_{n+7} = F_{n+2} F_{n+10} - F_{n+3} F_{n+9}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= F_{n+1}F_{n+10} + F_nF_{n+10} - F_{n+2}F_{n+9} - F_{n+1}F_{n+9} \\
&= F_{n+1}F_{n+9} + F_{n+1}F_{n+8} + F_nF_{n+9} + F_nF_{n+8} - F_{n+0}F_{n+9} - F_{n+1}F_{n+9} - F_{n+1}F_{n+9} \\
&= F_{n+1}F_{n+8} + F_nF_{n+8} - F_{n+1}F_{n+9} \\
&= F_{n+1}F_{n+8} + F_nF_{n+8} - F_{n+1}F_{n+8} - F_{n+1}F_{n+7} \\
&= F_nF_{n+8} - F_{n+1}F_{n+7}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, by the property of induction it holds for all $n \geq 1$, $f(n) = 13$ for odd numbers and $f(n) = -13$ for even numbers.

A.1.6

$$x^2 = x + 1$$

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

We will show that $F_n = \frac{\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n}{\sqrt{5}}$

Proof via induction.

Base case (n=1)

$$\begin{aligned}
F_1 &= \frac{\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^1 - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^1}{\sqrt{5}} \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

Induction step.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1}}{\sqrt{5}} &= \frac{\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n}{\sqrt{5}} + \frac{\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n-1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n-1}}{\sqrt{5}} \\
\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} &= \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n + \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n-1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n-1} \\
\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} &= \left(\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) + 1\right)\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n-1} - \left(\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) + 1\right)\left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n-1}
\end{aligned}$$

Using $x^2 = x + 1$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} &= \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n-1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n-1} \\
\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} &= \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1}
\end{aligned}$$

Identity.

Thus, $F_n = \frac{\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n}{\sqrt{5}}$.

Asymptotic ratio of F_n :

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F_{n+1}}{F_n} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1}}{\sqrt{5}} * \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{n+1}}{\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^n} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} * \frac{(1+\sqrt{5})^{n+1} - (1-\sqrt{5})^{n+1}}{(1+\sqrt{5})^n - (1-\sqrt{5})^n} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(1+\sqrt{5})^{n+1}}{(1+\sqrt{5})^n - (1-\sqrt{5})^n} - \frac{(1-\sqrt{5})^{n+1}}{(1+\sqrt{5})^n - (1-\sqrt{5})^n} \right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{1 - \frac{(1-\sqrt{5})^n}{(1+\sqrt{5})^n}} - \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{\frac{(1+\sqrt{5})^n}{(1-\sqrt{5})^n} - 1} \right) \\
&\quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{1+\sqrt{5}} \right)^n = 0 \\
&\quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{1-\sqrt{5}} \right)^n = \infty \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{1-0} - \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{\infty-1} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{2} (1+\sqrt{5})
\end{aligned}$$

A.2(1,2)

A.2.1

Prove $\sum_{m=1}^n m = \binom{n+1}{2}$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof via induction.

Base case $n = 1$.

$$\sum_{m=1}^1 m = \binom{2}{2}$$

$$1 = 1$$

Identity.

Induction step.

Must prove that:

$$\begin{aligned}
\binom{n+1+1}{k+1} &= \binom{n+1}{k+1} + \binom{n+1}{k} \\
\frac{(n+2)!}{(k+1)!(n+2-k-1)!} &= \frac{(n+1)!}{(k+1)!(n+1-k-1)!} + \frac{(n+1)!}{k!(n+1-k)!} \\
\frac{(n+2)!}{(k+1)!(n-k+1)!} &= \frac{(n+1)!}{(k+1)!(n-k)!} + \frac{(n+1)!}{k!(n-k+1)!}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{(n+2)(n+1)!}{(k+1)k!(n-k+1)!} = \frac{(n+1)!}{(k+1)k!(n-k)!} + \frac{(n+1)!}{k!(n-k+1)!}$$

$$\frac{(n+2)}{(k+1)(n-k+1)(n-k)!} = \frac{1}{(k+1)(n-k)!} + \frac{1}{(n-k+1)(n-k)!}$$

$$\frac{(n+2)}{(k+1)(n-k+1)} = \frac{1}{(k+1)} + \frac{1}{(n-k+1)}$$

$$(n+2) = (n-k+1) + k+1$$

$$n+2 = n+2$$

Identity.

Thus, $\sum_{m=1}^n m = \binom{n+1}{2}$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$. QED.

A.2.2

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

Proof by induction.

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ be fixed and arbitrary.

Base case $n = 1$:

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

If $k = 1$, $\binom{1}{1} = \binom{2}{2} = 1$. If $k > 1$, $\binom{1}{k} = \binom{2}{1+k} = 0$.

Inductive step:

We must show that $\binom{n+1}{k} = \binom{n+2}{k+1} - \binom{n+1}{k+1}$.

$$\frac{(n+1)!}{k!(n+1-k)!} = \frac{(n+2)!}{(k+1)!(n+2-k-1)!} - \frac{(n+1)!}{(k+1)!(n+1-k+1)!}$$

$$\frac{(n+1)!}{k!(n-k+1)!} = \frac{(n+2)!}{(k+1)!(n-k+1)!} - \frac{(n+1)!}{(k+1)!(n-k)!}$$

$$\frac{(n+1)!(k+1)!}{k!} = \frac{(n+2)!(n-k+1)!}{(n-k+1)!} - \frac{(n+1)!(n-k+1)!}{(n-k)!}$$

$$(n+1)!(k+1) = (n+2)! - (n+1)!(n-k+1)$$

$$(k+1) = \frac{(n+2)!}{(n+1)!} - (n-k+1)$$

$$k+1 = n+2 - n + k - 1$$

$$k+1 = k+1$$

Identity.

Thus, $\sum_{m=1}^n \binom{m}{k} = \binom{n+1}{k+1}$ holds for all $n \geq 1$.

A.3(1)

We aim to show $|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2|$.

Proof by induction.

Base case:

$$A_1 = A_2 = \emptyset$$

$$|\emptyset \cup \emptyset| = |\emptyset| + |\emptyset| - |\emptyset \cap \emptyset|$$

Inductive step:

Consider adding an element a to A_1 .

Assume $|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2|$ for A_1, A_2 .

Since a only occurs in A_1 , only the $|A_1|$ term changes, and the union is maintained. This holds for adding a only to A_2 since set addition, union and intersection are symmetric operations.

Consider adding an element a to A_1 and A_2 .

Since a occurs in A_1 and A_2 , the right side becomes $|A_1| + a + |A_2| + a - |A_1 \cap A_2| - a$. Since a is in both, it is included in the intersection and cancels out. Thus, it is only added once.

Thus, $|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2|$ holds for all A_1, A_2 .

A.4(1b,1d,2d)

Show that $f(n) = O(g(n))$...

A.4.1b

$$f(n) = 100 * 3^n, g(n) = 4^n.$$

Pick $C = 100, n_0 = 0$.

Proof by induction.

Base case: $n = 0$

$$100 * 3^0 \leq 100 * 4^0$$

$$100 \leq 100$$

Inductive step:

Must show that

$$100 * 3^{n+1} - 100 * 3^n \leq 100 * 4^{n+1} - 100 * 4^n$$

$$3^{n+1} - 3^n \leq 4^{n+1} - 4^n$$

$$3^n(3 - 1) \leq 4^n(4 - 1)$$

$$3^n(2) \leq 4^n(3)$$

$$n * \log(3) + \log(2) \leq n * \log(4) + \log(3)$$

The left side is clearly less than the right side. Thus, via induction we show that $f(n) = O(g(n))$ since $f(n) \leq Cg(n) \forall n \geq n_0$.

A.4.1d

Show that $f(n) = O(g(n))$, $f(n) = n^2 + 3n + 1$, $g(n) = n(n - 1)$.

$$g(n) = n^2 - n$$

$$C = 4, n_0 = 4$$

Proof by induction.

Base case $n = 4$:

$$4^2 + 3 * 4 + 1 \leq 4 * 4^2 - 4 * 4$$

$$16 + 12 + 1 \leq 64 - 16$$

$$29 \leq 48$$

Inductive step:

We must show that $(n + 1)^2 + 3(n + 1) + 1 - n^2 - 3n - 1 \leq 4(n + 1)^2 - 4(n + 1) - 4n^2 + 4n$.

$$n^2 + 2n + 1 + 3n + 4 - n^2 - 3n - 1 \leq 4(n^2 + 2n + 1) - 4n + 4 - 4n^2 + 4n$$

$$2n + 4 \leq 4n^2 + 8n + 8 + 4 - 4n^2$$

$$2n + 4 \leq 8n + 12$$

$$n + 2 \leq 8n + 6$$

This holds for $n \geq 0$.

Thus, by induction $f(n) = O(g(n))$, $f(n) = n^2 + 3n + 1$, $g(n) = n(n - 1)$ since $f(n) \leq Cg(n) \forall n \geq n_0$.

A.4.2d

Compute limit $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)}$ to show that $f(n) = o(g(n))$ for $f(n) = n^2 + 3n + 1$, $g(n) = n(n - 1)(n - 2)$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 3n + 1}{n(n - 1)(n - 2)}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 3n + 1}{n(n^2 - 3n + 6)}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 3n + 1}{n^3 - 3n^2 + 6n}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 3n + 1}{n^3 - 3n^2 + 6n}$$

Using L'Hospital's rule.

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n + 3}{3n^2 - 6n + 6}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{3n - 6} = 0$$

Since the limit goes to 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $f(n) = o(g(n))$.

A.5(2)

Prove that if f, g are functions $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, then $f(n) = o(g(n)) \iff \log g(n) - \log f(n)$ tends to infinity (as $n \rightarrow \infty$).

Definition: We know that $f(n) = o(g(n))$ iff $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = 0$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log g(n) - \log f(n) = \infty$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log\left(\frac{g(n)}{f(n)}\right) = \infty$$

If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \log x = \infty$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x = \infty$, since $x \gg \log x$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g(n)}{f(n)} = \infty$$

Taking the reciprocal of this statement gets us to the definition for $f(n) = o(g(n))$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

Thus, if f, g are functions $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, then $f(n) = o(g(n)) \iff \log g(n) - \log f(n)$ tends to infinity (as $n \rightarrow \infty$).