

## MATH 239 Exercises 4

4.1 a)  $G(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x^3 + x^4}{1 - 3x + 3x^2 - 2x^3}$

By theorem 4.8,  $g_n$  satisfies the linear recurrence relation with initial conditions given by

$$g_n - 3g_{n-1} + 3g_{n-2} - 2g_{n-3} = \begin{cases} 1, & n=1 \\ -2, & n=2 \\ 1, & n \geq 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Hence we have

$$g_0 = 0 \quad g_2 = 1$$

$$g_1 = 1$$

$$g_n = 3g_{n-1} - 3g_{n-2} + 2g_{n-3}, \quad n \geq 3$$

$$g_3 = 0 \quad g_6 = 0 \quad g_9 = 0$$

$$g_4 = -1 \quad g_7 = 1$$

$$g_5 = -1 \quad g_8 = 1$$

b)  $G(x) = \frac{x^2 - x^3}{1 - 3x + 3x^2 - 2x^3}$

By theorem 4.8,  $g_n$  satisfies the linear recurrence relation with initial conditions given by

$$g_n - 3g_{n-1} + 3g_{n-2} - 2g_{n-3} = \begin{cases} 1, & n=2 \\ -3, & n \geq 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Hence we have

$$g_0, g_1 = 0$$

$$g_2 = 1$$

$$g_n = 3g_{n-1} - 3g_{n-2} + 2g_{n-3}, \quad n \geq 3$$

c)  $G(x) = \frac{1}{1 - x^2 - 2x^3 - 3x^4 - 2x^5 - x^6}$

By theorem 4.8,  $g_n$  satisfies the linear recurrence relation with initial conditions given by

$$g_n - g_{n-2} - 2g_{n-3} - 3g_{n-4} - 2g_{n-5} - g_{n-6} = \begin{cases} 1, & n=0 \\ 0, & n \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Hence we have

$$g_0 = 1 \quad g_3 = 2$$

$$g_1 = 0 \quad g_4 = 4$$

$$g_2 = 1 \quad g_5 = 6$$

$$g_n = g_{n-2} + 2g_{n-3} + 3g_{n-4} + 2g_{n-5} - g_{n-6}, \quad n \geq 6$$

$$d) G(x) = \frac{x+x^2+x^3}{1-x^2-2x^3-3x^4-2x^5-x^6}$$

By theorem 4.8,  $g_n$  satisfies the linear recurrence relation with initial conditions given by

$$g_n - g_{n-2} - 2g_{n-3} - 3g_{n-4} - 2g_{n-5} - g_{n-6} = \begin{cases} 1, & 1 \leq n \leq 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Hence we have

$$g_0 = 0 \quad g_3 = 2$$

$$g_1 = 1 \quad g_4 = 3$$

$$g_2 = 1 \quad g_5 = 7$$

$$g_n = g_{n-2} + 2g_{n-3} + 3g_{n-4} + 2g_{n-5} - g_{n-6}, \quad n \geq 6$$

$$e) G(x) = \frac{1+x-2x^2-x^3+x^4}{1-2x^2-x^3+x^4}$$

By theorem 4.8,  $g_n$  satisfies the linear recurrence relation with initial conditions given by

$$g_n - 2g_{n-2} - g_{n-3} + g_{n-4} = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n \leq 1 \\ -2, & n=2 \\ -1, & n=3 \\ 1, & n=4 \\ 0, & n \geq 5 \end{cases}$$

Hence we have

$$g_0, g_1 = 1 \quad g_3 = 2$$

$$g_2 = 0$$

$$g_n = 2g_{n-2} + g_{n-3} - g_{n-4}, \quad n \geq 4$$

4.2 a)

The first part must be odd; its allowed parts are  $P_1 = \{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$ . The rest of the parts have no restrictions - the allowed parts are  $P_2 = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ . Their generating series are

$$\Phi_{P_1}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^{2i+1} = \frac{x}{1-x^2}$$

$$\Phi_{P_2}(x) = \frac{x}{1-x}$$

We have that there is always one part, where the first is odd, and the rest of the parts can be anything, so by the product and string lemmas we have

$$K(x) = \frac{x}{1-x^2} \left( \frac{1}{1-\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)} \right) = \frac{x}{(1+x)(1-2x)}$$

$$b) K(x) = \frac{x}{(1+x)(1-2x)} = \frac{A}{1+x} + \frac{B}{1-2x}$$

$$x = A(1-2x) + B(1+x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} K(x) &= \frac{1}{3(1-2x)} - \frac{1}{3(1+x)} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3} 2^n x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3} (-1)^n x^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3} (2^n - (-1)^n) x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2^n}{3} + \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{3} \right) x^n \end{aligned}$$

Using the coefficient  $[x^n]$  of our summation, we have that the probability is

$$\frac{\frac{2^n}{3} + \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{3}}{2^{n-1}} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{-1}{2} \right)^{n-1}$$

4.3 a)

By theorem 4.8,  $c_n$  satisfies the linear recurrence relation with initial conditions given by

$$C_n - 5C_{n-1} + 8C_{n-2} - 4C_{n-3} = \begin{cases} 1, & n=0 \\ -2, & n=2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Hence we have

$$c_0 = 0 \quad c_2 = 15$$

$$c_1 = 5$$

$$c_n = 5c_{n-1} - 8c_{n-2} + 4c_{n-3}, \quad n \geq 3$$

b) Using partial fractions, we obtain

$$\frac{1-2x^2}{(1-x)(-1+2x)^2} = \frac{A}{1-x} + \frac{B}{-1+2x} + \frac{C}{(-1+2x)^2}$$

$$1-2x^2 = A(-1+2x)^2 + B(1-x)(-1+2x) + C(1-x)$$

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

$$= -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n x^n (n+1)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2^n(n+2)-1)x^n$$

$$c_n = 2^n(n+2)-1$$

4.4 a)

By theorem 4.8,  $a_n$  satisfies the linear recurrence relation with initial conditions given by

$$a_n - 3a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2} = \begin{cases} 1, & n=1 \\ 7, & n=2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Hence we have

$$a_0 = 0 \quad a_2 = 7$$

$$a_1 = 1$$

$$a_n = 3a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2}, \quad n \geq 3$$

b) Using partial fractions, we obtain

$$\frac{x+7x^2}{(1-2x)(1+x)^2} = \frac{A}{1-2x} + \frac{B}{1+x} + \frac{C}{(1+x)^2}$$

$$x+7x^2 = A(1+x)^2 + B(1-2x)(1+x) + C(1-2x)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{x+7x^2}{(1-2x)(1+x)^2} &= \frac{1}{1-2x} - \frac{3}{1+x} + \frac{2}{(1+x)^2} \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3(-1)^n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2(n+1)(-1)^n x^n \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2^n + (-1)^n (2n+5)) x^n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$a_n = 2^n + (-1)^n (2n+5)$$

**4.5 a)** By theorem 4.8,  $c_n$  satisfies the linear recurrence relation with initial conditions given by

$$c_n - 4c_{n-1} + 5c_{n-2} - 2c_{n-3} = \begin{cases} 3, & n=0 \\ -11, & n=1 \\ 11, & n=2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Hence we have

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 c_0 = 3 & c_2 = 0 & c_4 = 6 \\
 c_1 = 1 & c_3 = 1 & c_5 = 19
 \end{array}$$

$$c_n = 4c_{n-1} - 5c_{n-2} + 2c_{n-3}, \quad n \geq 6$$

**b)** We have that

$$1 - 4x + 5x^2 - 2x^3 = (1-2x)(1+x)^2$$

Theorem 4.14 implies that there are constants A, B, and C such that for  $n > 0$ ,

$$c_n = A \cdot 2^n + (B + Cn)$$

Substituting  $c_1 = 1$ ,  $c_2 = 0$ , and  $c_3 = 1$ , we solve the 3 equations to obtain  $A = 1$ ,  $B = 2$ ,  $C = -3$ . Hence we have

$$c_n = 2^n + 2 - 3n$$

**4.6 a)**  $G(x) = \frac{1+x}{1-2x+x^2-2x^3}$

**b)** We have that

$$1 - 2x + x^2 - 2x^3 = (1-2x)(1+x^2) = (1-2x)(1-i)x)(1+ix)$$

Theorem 4.14 implies that there are constants A, B, and C such that for  $n > 0$ ,

$$g_n = A \cdot 2^n + B \cdot i^n + C (-i)^n$$

Substituting  $g_1 = 2$ ,  $g_2 = 3$ , and  $g_3 = 6$ , we solve the 3 equations to obtain  
 $A = 4/5$ ,  $B = 1/10 - i/5$ ,  $C = 1/10 + i/5$ . Hence we have

$$g_n = \frac{4}{5} \cdot 2^n + \left(\frac{1}{10} - \frac{i}{5}\right) i^n + \left(\frac{1}{10} + \frac{i}{5}\right) (-i)^n$$

4.7 a)  $C(x) = \frac{1+3x+3x^2}{1+x-2x^2-2x^3}$

b)  $1+x-2x^2-2x^3 = (1+x)(1-\sqrt{2}x)(1+\sqrt{2}x)$

Theorem 4.14 implies that there are constants A, B, and C such that for  $n > 0$ ,

$$c_n = A(-1)^n + B\sqrt{2}^n + C(-\sqrt{2})^n$$

Substituting  $c_1 = 2$ ,  $c_2 = 3$ , and  $c_3 = 3$ , we solve the 3 equations to obtain  
 $A = -1$ ,  $B = 1 + 1/(2\sqrt{2})$ ,  $C = 1 - 1/(2\sqrt{2})$ . Hence we have

$$c_n = (-1)^{n+1} + \left(1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)\sqrt{2}^n + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)(-\sqrt{2})^n$$

4.8 a) Using partial fractions, we have that

$$\frac{1+3x-x^2}{1-3x^2-2x^3} = \frac{1+3x-x^2}{(1-2x)(1+x)^2} = \frac{A}{1-2x} + \frac{B}{1+x} + \frac{C}{(1+x)^2}$$

$$1+3x-x^2 = A(1+x)^2 + B(1-2x)(1+x) + C(1-2x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1+3x-x^2}{1-3x^2-2x^3} &= \frac{1}{1-2x} + \frac{1}{1+x} - \frac{1}{(1+x)^2} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n x^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)(-1)^n x^n \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2^n + (-1)^n n) x^n$$

$$b_n = 2^n + (-1)^n n$$

b) By theorem 4.8,  $b_n$  satisfies the linear recurrence relation with initial conditions given by

$$b_n - 3b_{n-1} - 2b_{n-2} = \begin{cases} 1, & n=0 \\ 3, & n=1 \\ -1, & n=2 \\ 0, & n \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

Hence we have

$$b_0 = 1 \quad b_1 = 2$$

$$b_2 = 3$$

$$b_n = 3b_{n-1} + 2b_{n-2}, \quad n \geq 0$$

$$4.9 \text{ a) } H(x) = \frac{1+4x+3x^2-x^3}{1+2x-x^2-4x^3-2x^4}$$

$$\text{b) } 1+2x-x^2-4x^3-2x^4 = (1+x)^2(1-\sqrt{2}x)(1+\sqrt{2}x)$$

Theorem 4.14 implies that there are constants A, B, and C such that for  $n > 0$ ,

$$h_n = (A+Bn)(-1)^n + C\sqrt{2}^n + D(-\sqrt{2})^n$$

Substituting  $h_1 = 2$ ,  $h_2 = 0$ , and  $h_3 = 5$ , and  $h_4 = 0$ , we solve the 4 equations to obtain  $A = 0$ ,  $B = -1$ ,  $C = 1/2 + 1/(2\sqrt{2})$ ,  $D = 1/2 - 1/(2\sqrt{2})$ . Hence we have

$$h_n = -n(-1)^n + \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)\sqrt{2}^n + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)(-\sqrt{2})^n$$

$$4.10 \text{ a) } n^2 = A\binom{n+2}{2} + B(n+1) + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}An^2 + \frac{3}{2}An + A + Bn + B + C$$

$$1 = \frac{1}{2}A$$

$$0 = \frac{3}{2}A + B$$

$$0 = B + C$$

$$A=2, B=-3, C=1$$

b)  $\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n$

$\frac{x}{(1-x)^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n x^n$

$\frac{x+x^2}{(1-x)^3} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^2 x^n$

c)  $\frac{x+4x^2+x^3}{(1-x)^4} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^3 x^n$

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d) From part a, we have that  $F_0(x) = 1/(1-x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} F_d(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^d x^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^d x^n = x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^d x^{n-1} \\ &= x \frac{d}{dx} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{d-1} x^n = x \frac{d}{dx} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^{d-1} x^n \\ &= x \frac{d}{dx} F_{d-1}(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e) F_d(x) &= x \frac{d}{dx} \frac{P_{d-1}(x)}{(1-x)^d} = x \frac{(1-x)^{d-1} \frac{d}{dx} P_{d-1}(x) - P_{d-1}(x)(-1)(d)(1-x)^{d-2}}{(1-x)^{2d}} \\ &= \frac{(1-x) \frac{d}{dx} P_{d-1}(x) + P_{d-1}(x)d}{(1-x)^{1+d}} \end{aligned}$$

$$P_d(x) = (1-x) \frac{d}{dx} P_{d-1}(x) + P_{d-1}(x)d$$

4.11 ???

4.12 a)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-4x}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k 4^k \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{k} x^k$

For  $k=0$ , the coefficient of  $x^0$  is 1. For  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (-1)^k 4^k \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{k} &= (-4)^k \frac{1}{k!} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) \cdots \left(\frac{1}{2}-k\right) \\
 &= 2^k \frac{1}{k!} (1)(3)(5) \cdots (2k-1) \\
 &= \frac{(1)(3)(5) \cdots (2k-1)}{k!} \cdot \frac{(2)(4) \cdots (2k)}{k!} \\
 &= \binom{2k}{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

b)  $\sum_{j=0}^n \binom{2j}{j} \binom{2n-2j}{n-j} = \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{(2j)!}{j! j!} \cdot \frac{(2n-2j)!}{(n-j)!(n-j)!}$