

1. If $G(x)$ is the generating function for $a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$, describe **in terms of $G(x)$** the following **generating function** for each of the following sequences.

(a) (5%) $0, 0, 0, a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots$

(b) (5%) $a_0, 0, a_1, 0, a_2, 0, a_3, 0, a_4, \dots$

(c) (5%) $a_3, a_4, a_5, a_6, \dots$

Ans: (a) $x^3 G(x)$ (b) $G(x^2)$ (c): $1/x^3 (G(x) - a_0 - a_1 x - a_2 x^2)$

2. Please write down the **sequence** generated by each of the following **generating functions**.

(a) (5%) $\frac{x^6 - 1}{x - 1}$

(b) (5%) $\frac{1}{1 - 2x}$

(c) (5%) $\frac{-2}{(1-x)^2}$

Ans: (a) $1, 1, 1, 1, 1$ (b) $1, 2, 4, 8, 16, \dots$

(c) $-2, -4, -6, \dots$

$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots$
$\frac{1}{1-ax} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a^k x^k = 1 + ax + a^2 x^2 + \dots$
$\frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1)x^k = 1 + 2x + 3x^2 + \dots$

3. (12%) What is the solution to the **recurrence relation** $a_n = -a_{n-1} + 12a_{n-2}$ if $a_0 = 3$ and $a_1 = 2$?

$$\begin{aligned}
 r^2 + r - 12 &= 0 & a_0 = 3, \alpha + \beta &= 3 & 7\alpha &= 7, \alpha &= 1 \\
 (r+4)(r-3) &= 0 & a_1 = 2, -4\alpha + 3\beta &= 2 & \beta &= 2 \\
 r &= -4 \text{ or } 3 & \begin{cases} \alpha + \beta = 3 \\ -4\alpha + 3\beta = 2 \end{cases} & \begin{cases} 7\alpha + 3\beta = 9 \\ -4\alpha + 3\beta = 2 \end{cases} & \therefore a_n &= (-4)^n + 2 \cdot 3^n \neq
 \end{aligned}$$

4. (12%) Solve $a_n = 6a_{n-1} - 9a_{n-2}$, $a_0 = 1$, $a_1 = 5$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 r^2 - 6r + 9 &= 0 & a_0 &= 1, \quad 1 = \alpha \cdot 1 + 0 \cdot \beta \cdot 1, \quad \alpha &= 1 \\
 (r-3)^2 &= 0, \quad r &= 3 & a_1 = 5, \quad 5 = 3 + 3\beta, \quad 2 = 3\beta, \quad \beta &= \frac{2}{3} \\
 \therefore a_n &= \alpha 3^n + n\beta 3^n & \therefore a_n &= 3^n + n \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 3^n
 \end{aligned}$$

5. Let $X = \{A, B, C\}$ and $Y = \{1, 2, 3\}$.

(a) (4%) How many functions $f: X^2 \rightarrow Y$ are **one-to-one**?

(b) (4%) How many functions $f: X^2 \rightarrow Y$ are **onto**?

(c) (4%) For a function f and a set S , we define $f(S) = \{f(i) \mid i \in S\}$. How many functions $f: X^2 \rightarrow Y$ are there such that $|f(X^2)| = 2$? \Rightarrow 代表 $f(x)$ 的值域剛好為 Y 的 2 個 element

Ans:

(a) 0

(b) $3^9 - C(3,1)2^9 + C(3,2)1^9$

(c) $C(3,2) (2^9 - C(2,1)1^9)$

(c) $C_2^3 \Rightarrow Y$ 中選 2 個 element

$$\therefore \text{All: } C_2^3 \times [2^9 - (C_1^2 \cdot 1^9)]$$

$2^9 \Rightarrow$ 所有可能的方法

$C_1^2 \cdot 1^9 \Rightarrow$ 只有對應到 1 個 element 的方法 (需扣除)

6. Solve the given recurrence relation: $a_n = 3a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2} - 5n + 3$ step by step.

(a) (2%) Write the **associated homogeneous recurrence relation**.

(b) (4%) Find the **general solution** (i.e., $a_n^{(h)}$) to the **associated** homogeneous recurrence relation.

(c) (4%) Find a **particular solution** (i.e., $a_n^{(p)}$) to the **given recurrence relation**.

(d) (2%) Now that the **general solution** to the given recurrence relation is $a_n = a_n^{(h)} + a_n^{(p)}$. Find the particular solution to the given recurrence relation **when $a_0 = 2$, $a_1 = 8$** .

(a) $a_n^{(h)} = 3a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2}$

(b) $r^2 - 3r + 2 = 0, (r-1)(r-2) = 0, r = 1 \text{ or } 2$

$\therefore a_n^{(h)} = \alpha + \beta \cdot 2^n$

(c) $F(n) = -5n + 3$

$\therefore \beta = 1$, 和根相同, 重數為 1.

\therefore 特殊解的一般形式為 $n \cdot (cn + d) \cdot 1^n = n(cn + d)$

帶入 $A_n^{(p)} = 3A_{n-1}^{(p)} - 2A_{n-2}^{(p)} - 5n + 3$

$$\begin{aligned} cn^2 + dn &= 3(c(n-1) + d(n-1)) - 2(c(n-2) + d(n-2)) - 5n + 3 \\ &= 3(cn^2 - 2cn + c + dn - d) - 2(cn^2 - 4cn + 4c + dn - d) - 5n + 3 \\ &= 3cn^2 - 6cn + 3c + 3dn - 3d - 2cn^2 + 8cn - 8c - 2dn + 4d - 5n + 3 \end{aligned}$$

~~$cn^2 + dn = cn^2 + 2cn - 5c + dn + d - 5n + 3$~~

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= 2cn - 5c + d - 5n + 3 \\ &= (2cn - 5n) + (d - 5c + 3) \end{aligned}$$

$$= n(2c - 5) + (d - 5c + 3), c = \frac{5}{2}, d = \frac{19}{2} \quad \therefore A_n^{(p)} = n\left(\frac{5}{2}n + \frac{19}{2}\right)$$

7. (12%) An office manager has 4 employees and 9 projects to be completed. In how many ways can the projects be assigned to the employees so that **each employee works on at least one project**.

Ans:

$$4^9 - \binom{4}{1}3^9 + \binom{4}{2}2^9 - \binom{4}{3}1^9$$

8. How many ways can the digits 1,2,3,4,5,6 be arranged so that

(a) (6%) **none** of the digits is in its original position?

(b) (6%) no **even digit** is in its original position?

Ans:

(a) 錯位排列 $D_6 = 265$

(b) $6! - C(3,1)5! + C(3,2)4! - C(3,3)3! = 426$

(b) $C_1^3 \cdot 5! \Rightarrow$ 1個偶數在原位, 其餘的去排列

$C_2^3 \cdot 4!, C_3^3 \cdot 3! \Rightarrow$ 依此類推

9. (12%) Solve $a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2^n + 5, a_0 = 1$, using **generating functions**(限用生成函數).

$$a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2^n + 5$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 3a_{k-1} x^k + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^k x^k + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 5x^k$$

$$G(x) - a_0 = 3x \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{k-1} x^{k-1} + 2x \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{k-1} x^{k-1} + 5x \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^{k-1}$$

$$G(x) - 1 = 3x \cdot G(x) + \frac{2x}{1-2x} + \frac{5x}{1-x}$$

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

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

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

紅色: $\alpha(1-3x) + \beta(1-2x) = 2x$

$$\alpha - 3\alpha x + \beta - 2\beta x = 2x$$

$$\begin{cases} \alpha + \beta = 0 \\ -3\alpha - 2\beta = 2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 3\alpha + 2\beta = 0 \\ -3\alpha - 2\beta = 2 \end{cases} \quad \beta = 2, \alpha = -2$$

綠色: $\alpha(1-3x) + \beta(1-x) = 5x$

$$\alpha - 3\alpha x + \beta - \beta x = 5x$$

$$\begin{cases} \alpha + \beta = 0 \\ -3\alpha - \beta = 5 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha = -5, \beta = 5 \\ \beta = \frac{5}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore G(x) = \frac{-2}{1-2x} + \frac{2}{1-3x} + \frac{-\frac{5}{2}}{1-x} + \frac{\frac{5}{2}}{1-3x} + \frac{1}{1-3x}$$

$$= \frac{-2}{1-2x} + \frac{\frac{11}{2}}{1-3x} + \frac{-\frac{5}{2}}{1-x}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} -2 \cdot 2^n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{11}{2} \cdot 3^n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} -\frac{5}{2} \cdot x^n$$

$$= -2 \cdot 2^n + \frac{11}{2} \cdot 3^n - \frac{5}{2} = -2^{n+1} + \frac{11}{2} \cdot 3^n - \frac{5}{2}$$