# Problem Set 3 Solution

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## Question 1

1. Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Base Case (n = 0):

Let n = 0.

Then,

$$a_0 = 0 (1)$$

Then it follows from above that the base case holds.

Inductive Case (n > 0):

Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , and assume  $a_n = x \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i$ .

Then,

$$x \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} a_i \cdot a_n = x \prod_{i=0}^n a_i$$

$$= a_{n+1}$$
(1)

$$= a_{n+1} \tag{2}$$

Then it follows from above that the recursive sequence of numbers is true for all natural numbers.

#### 2. From the following table

String Length	Number of Even (Digit Sum)	Number of Odd (Digit Sum)	Total
1	2	1	3
2	5	4	9
3	14	13	27

we see that  $E_n = \frac{3^n + 1}{2}$  and  $O_n = \frac{3^n - 1}{2}$ .

As well, we see that the number of new elements in  $E_{n+1}$  is  $3^n$ .

Now, we will prove that  $E_n$  and  $O_n$  are true for all natural numbers using the induction hypothesis.

#### Base Case (n = 1):

Let n=1.

Then,  $E_n = \frac{4}{2} = 2$  and  $O_n = \frac{2}{2} = 1$ .

Since the result matches to data in table, the base case holds.

#### **Inductive Case:**

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Assume  $E_n = \frac{3^n + 1}{2}$  and  $O_n = \frac{3^n - 1}{2}$ .

Then,

$$E_{n+1} = \frac{3^n + 1}{2} + 3^n \tag{1}$$

$$=\frac{3^n+1}{2} + \frac{2\cdot 3^n}{2} \tag{2}$$

$$=\frac{3\cdot 3^n+1}{2}\tag{3}$$

$$=\frac{3^{n+1}+1}{2}\tag{4}$$

Then, it follows from above that the inductive step for  $E_n$  holds.

Similarly, for  $O_n$ ,

$$O_{n+1} = \frac{3^n - 1}{2} + 3^n \tag{5}$$

$$=\frac{3^n-1}{2} + \frac{2\cdot 3^n}{2} \tag{6}$$

$$=\frac{3\cdot 3^n - 1}{2} \tag{7}$$

$$=\frac{3^{n+1}-1}{2}\tag{8}$$

Then, it follows from above that the inductive step for  $O_n$  holds.

Then, it follows from the definition of induction hypothesis that the value of  $E_n$  and  $O_n$  are true for all n.

## Question 2

a. Since first 1 repeats every 4i - 1 times and the second 1 repeats every 4i times,

$$(0.\overline{0011})_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{n}{4}} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4i} + \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{n}{4}} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4i-1} \tag{1}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{n}{4}} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^i + 2 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{n}{4}} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^i \tag{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{n}{4}-1} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^i + \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{n}{4}-1} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^i \tag{3}$$

$$= \frac{3}{16} \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{n}{4}-1} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^i \tag{4}$$

Then,

$$\frac{3}{16} \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{n}{4}-1} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^i = \frac{3}{16} \cdot \left(\frac{1 - \frac{1}{16}^{\frac{n}{4}}}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)}\right) \tag{5}$$

by using the formula  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $r \neq 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} r^i = \frac{1-r^n}{1-r}$ .

Then,

$$\frac{3}{16} \cdot \left( \frac{1 - \frac{1}{16}^{\frac{n}{4}}}{1 - \left( \frac{1}{16} \right)} \right) = \left( \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}^{n}}{\frac{15}{16}} \right) \tag{6}$$

$$=\frac{1}{5}\cdot\left(1-\frac{1}{2}^n\right)\tag{7}$$

$$=\frac{1}{5}\cdot\left(\frac{2^n-1}{2^n}\right)\tag{8}$$

Then,

$$0.2 - \frac{1}{5} \cdot \left(\frac{2^n - 1}{2^n}\right) = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{5} \cdot \left(\frac{2^n - 1}{2^n}\right) \tag{9}$$

$$= \frac{2^n}{5 \cdot 2^n} - \frac{1}{5} \cdot \left(\frac{2^n - 1}{2^n}\right) \tag{10}$$

$$=\frac{1}{5\cdot 2^n}\tag{11}$$

Then, it follows from above that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \ 4 \mid n \Rightarrow \frac{1}{5 \cdot 2^n}$ 

## Question 3

## Question 4