

Discrete Homework #7

Who ever you are...

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1. Please determine the number of solutions to the equation $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = n$, where $x_i \in \mathbb{N}$, 2 divides x_1 , $0 \leq x_2$, 3 divides x_3 , and $x_4 \in \{0, 1\}$.

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} (x_1)_n y^n = g_1(y) = \frac{1}{1 - y^2}$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} (x_2)_n y^n = g_2(y) = (y^0 + y^1 + y^2) = \frac{1 - y^3}{1 - y}$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} (x_3)_n y^n = g_3(y) = \frac{1}{1 - y^3}$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} (x_4)_n y^n = g_4(y) = (y^0 + y^1) = \frac{1 - y^2}{1 - y}$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} s_n y^n = g(y) = g_1(y) \cdot g_2(y) \cdot g_3(y) \cdot g_4(y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 - y^2} \cdot \frac{1 - y^3}{1 - y} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - y^3} \cdot \frac{1 - y^2}{1 - y}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{y} \cdot \frac{y}{(1 - y)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{y} \sum_{n \geq 0} n y^n$$

$$= \sum_{n \geq 0} n y^{n-1}$$

$$= \sum_{n \geq 0} (n + 1) y^n$$

$$s_n = n + 1$$

2. Use generating functions to find a closed formula for the sequence $(a_n)_{n \geq 0}$ that is defined by the recurrence relation $a_n = 2a_{n-1} + n$, for $n > 0$. and $a_0 = 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}
g(x) &= \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n x^n \\
a_n &= 2a_{n-1} + n + [n = 0] \\
\sum_{n \geq 0} a_n x^n &= 2 \sum_{n \geq 0} a_{n-1} x^n + \sum_{n \geq 0} n x^n + \sum_{n \geq 0} [n = 0] x^n \\
&= 2x \sum_{n \geq 0} a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \sum_{n \geq 0} n x^n + \sum_{n \geq 0} [n = 0] x^n \\
g(x) &= 2xg(x) + \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} + x^0 \\
g(x) - 2xg(x) &= \frac{x}{(1-x)^2} + 1 \\
g(x)(1-2x) &= \frac{x}{(1-x)^2} + \frac{(1-x)^2}{(1-x)^2} \\
g(x) &= \frac{x + (1-x)^2}{(1-2x)(1-x)^2} \\
&= \frac{3}{1-2x} - \frac{1}{1-x} - \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} \\
&= 3 \sum_{n \geq 0} 2^n x^n - \sum_{n \geq 0} x^n - \sum_{n \geq 0} (n+1)x^n \\
a_n &= 3 \cdot 2^n - 1 - (n+1) \\
&= 3 \cdot 2^n - n - 2
\end{aligned}$$

3. Suppose you have 2 bananas, an even number of apples, and 2 pears. How many ways can you make a collection of fruit with n pieces of fruit?

$$\begin{aligned}
f(x) &= (1+x+x^2)(1+x+x^2)\left(\frac{1}{1-x^2}\right) \\
&= \frac{9}{2(1-x)} + \frac{1}{2(1+x)} - x^2 - 2x - 4 \\
&= \frac{9}{2(1-x)} + \frac{1}{2(1-(-1)x)} - x^2 - 2x - 4 \\
\sum_{n \geq 0} a_n x^n &= \frac{9}{2} \sum_{n \geq 0} x^n + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \geq 0} (-1)^n x^n - \sum_{n \geq 0} [n = 2] x^n - 2 \sum_{n \geq 0} [n = 1] x^n - 4 \sum_{n \geq 0} [n = 0] x^n \\
a_n &= \frac{9}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(-1)^n - [n = 2] - 2[n = 1] - 4[n = 0], \text{ for } n \geq 0 \\
a_n &= \frac{9}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(-1)^n, \text{ for } n \geq 3
\end{aligned}$$

4. Use an *exponential generating function* to find the closed formula for the sequence in HW#6, problem 2: $L_n = L_{n-1} + L_{n-2}$ for $n \geq 2$, with $L_0 = 2$ and $L_1 = 1$.

ToDo:

5. Find a closed formula (giving *exact* values) for the sequence $g_n = g_{n-1} + g_{n-2} + n$ for $n \geq 2$ with $g_0 = 1$ and $g_1 = 2$.

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