

Quiz over week 6 and 7 materials: Solutions

Question 1:

Use iteration to guess an explicit formula for the sequence

$$d_k = 5d_{k-1} + 2, \text{ for all integers } k \geq 1$$

$$d_0 = 2$$

Answer to question 1:

$$d_k = 5d_{k-1} + 2, \text{ for all integers } k \geq 1$$

$$d_0 = 2$$

$$d_1 = 5(d_0) + 2 = 5 \cdot 2 + 2$$

$$d_2 = 5(d_1) + 2 = 5(5 \cdot 2 + 2) + 2 = 5^2 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 2 + 2$$

$$d_3 = 5(d_2) + 2 = 5(5^2 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 2 + 2) + 2 = 5^3 \cdot 2 + 5^2 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 2 + 2$$

$$d_4 = 5(d_3) + 2 = 5(5^3 \cdot 2 + 5^2 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 2 + 2) + 2 = 5^4 \cdot 2 + 5^3 \cdot 2 + 5^2 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 2 + 2$$

$$d_n = 5^n \cdot 2 + 5^{n-1} \cdot 2 + 5^{n-2} \cdot 2 + \dots + 5^2 \cdot 2 + 5^1 \cdot 2 + 5^0 \cdot 2$$

$$= 2 \cdot \sum_{i=0}^n 5^i$$

$$= 2 \cdot (5^{n+1} - 1) / (5 - 1) = (5 \cdot 5^n - 1) / 2$$

(Ans)

Question 2:

- a) Give a recursive definition of the set of positive integers that are multiple of 3.
- b) Give a recursive definition of the set of binary strings that have even length. Please remember that empty string λ has length 0 and hence has even length.

Answer to question 2:

a)

- Basis Step: $3 \in S$
- Recursive Step: If $x \in S$, then $x+3 \in S$

b)

- Base Step: $\lambda \in S$
- Recursive Step : If $x \in S$, then $00x \in S, 01x \in S, 10x \in S, 11x \in S$

Question 3:

Define a set S recursively as follows:

I. BASE: $0 \in S, 5 \in S$

II. RECURSION: If $s \in S$, and $t \in S$ then

a. $s + t \in S$ b. $s - t \in S$

III. RESTRICTION: Nothing is in S other than objects defined in I and II above.
Use structural induction to prove that every integer in S is divisible by 5.

Answer to question 3:

- Base case: $0 \in S, 5 \in S$. Since 0 and 5 are multiple of 5, the base case is true.
- Inductive Case: Assume $s \in S$ and $t \in S$ and both s and t are divisible by 5.
By definition, $s = 5a$ and $t = 5b$. Then $s + t = 5a + 5b = 5(a+b)$. Thus, $s + t$ is divisible by 5.
Again, $s - t = 5a - 5b = 5(a - b)$. Thus, $s - t$ is divisible by 5. Therefore, every integer in S is divisible by 5.

Question 4:

a) A small town has only 500 residents. Must there be 2 residents who have the same birthday? Why?

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b) Show that if seven integers are selected from the first 10 positive integers there must be at least two pairs of these integers with the sum 11.

Answer to question 4:

a) Yes. This follows from the generalized pigeonhole principle with 500 pigeons, 365 pigeonholes, using the fact that $500 > 365$, must there be 2 residents who have the same birthday.

b)

Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$ is the set of seven selected from the first 10 positive integers.

There can be 5 subsets:

$\{1,10\}$ $\{2,9\}$ $\{3,8\}$ $\{4,7\}$ $\{5,6\}$, each consisting of two integers whose sum is 11. If 7 integers are selected from A, Then by the Pigeonhole Principle at least two must be from the same subset and the sum of these two integers is 11.

Question 5:

a) According to the Inclusion/Exclusion Rule for Two Sets

"If A and B are finite sets, then $N(A \cup B) = N(A) + N(B) - N(A \cap B)$ "

Now, how many integers from 1 through 100 are neither multiples of 2 nor multiples of 9?

b) How many strings are there of four lowercase letters that have the letter 'd' in them?

Answer to question 5:

Let A = the set of all integers from 1 through 100 that are multiples of 2.

Let B = the set of all integers from 1 through 100 that are multiples of 9.

Then

$A \cup B$ = the set of all integers from 1 through 100 that are multiples of 2 or multiples of 9

and

$A \cap B$ = the set of all integers from 1 through 100 that are multiples of both 2 and 9

= the set of all integers from 1 through 100 that are multiples of 18.

[Now calculate $N(A)$, $N(B)$, and $N(A \cap B)$ and use the inclusion/exclusion rule to solve for $N(A \cup B)$.]

Because every other integer from 2 through 100 is a multiple of 2, each can be represented in the form $2k$, for some integer k from 1 through 50. Hence there are 50 multiples of 2 from 1 through 100, and so $N(A) = 50$.

Similarly, each multiple of 9 from 1 through 99 has the form $9k$, for some integer k from 1 through 11. So, $N(B) = 11$.

Finally, each multiple of 18 from 1 through 100 has the form $18k$, for some integer k from 1 through 5 (since $90 = 5 \cdot 18$). So, $N(A \cap B) = 5$

So, It follows by the inclusion/exclusion rule that

$$N(A \cup B) = N(A) + N(B) - N(A \cap B) = 50 + 11 - 5 = 56$$

There are 100 integers from 1 through 100, and 56 of these are multiples of 2 or multiples of 9. Thus, by the set difference rule, there are $100 - 56 = 44$ that are neither multiples of 2 nor multiples of 9. (Ans)

b)

Total number of possible strings (26 letters in each of the four positions) = 26^4

Total number of strings with no 'd' (25 letters in each of the four positions) = 25^4

Total number of strings that have the letter 'd' = $26^4 - 25^4 = 66351$