

## MATH 453 HW 10

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1. Sec 4.2 #1

(a) Let  $F_n$  denote the number of such:

When  $n = 0$ , there's 1 such subset, which is  $\{\emptyset\}$ , thus,  $F_0 = 1$

When  $n = 1$ , there are 2 such subsets, they are  $\{\emptyset\}$  and  $\{1\}$ , thus,  $F_1 = 2$

When  $n \geq 2$ , conditioning on whether  $n$  is in the subsets:

(1) If  $n$  is not in the subsets, then there are  $n - 1$  numbers left that we can form the subsets from, we know that there are  $F_{n-1}$  such subsets

(2) If  $n$  is in the subsets, since no two consecutive integers are allowed, the number  $n - 1$  cannot be in the subsets, hence, we have  $n - 2$  numbers left to form the subsets from, therefore, there are  $F_{n-2}$  ways to do so

Hence, when  $n \geq 2$ , there are  $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$  such subsets

Thus, the number of subsets of  $[n]$  that do not contain consecutive integers are:

$$F_n = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ 2 & n = 1 \\ F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} & n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

(b) Let  $F_n$  denote the number of such binary numbers:

When  $n = 0$ , there's 1 such binary, thus,  $F_0 = 1$ ,

When  $n = 1$ , there are 2 such binary numbers, they are 0 and 1, thus,  $F_1 = 2$ ,

When  $n \geq 2$ , conditioning on whether the binary number ends with 0:

(1) If the binary number ends with 0, then the  $(n - 1)^{th}$  digit cannot be 0, so, there are  $F_{n-2}$  such binary numbers

(2) If the binary number doesn't end with 0 (ends with 1), then there are  $F_{n-1}$  such binary numbers

Hence, when  $n \geq 2$ , there are  $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$  such subsets

Thus, the number of  $n$  - digit binary numbers that do not contain adjacent 0's is:

$$F_n = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ 2 & n = 1 \\ F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} & n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

(c) Let  $F_n$  denote the number of ways to climb a flight in this fashion:

When  $n = 0$ , there's 1 way to climb a flight, do nothing, thus,  $F_0 = 1$

When  $n = 1$ , there's 1 way to climb a flight, thus,  $F_1 = 1$

When  $n \geq 2$ , conditioning on how to reach the  $n^{th}$  stair:

- (1) Reach the  $n^{th}$  stair directly from the  $(n - 2)^{th}$  stair, then there are  $F_{n-2}$  ways to climb the first  $n - 2$  stairs
- (2) Reach the  $n^{th}$  stair from the  $(n - 1)^{th}$  stair, then there are  $F_{n-1}$  ways to climb the first  $n - 1$  stairs

Hence, when  $n \geq 2$ , there are  $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$  ways to climb a flight

Thus, the number of ways to climb a flight of  $n$  stairs is:

$$F_n = \begin{cases} 1 & n = 0 \\ 1 & n = 1 \\ F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} & n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

## 2. Sec 4.2 #2

Conditioning on the number of 2-tiles at the end of the tiling:

- (1) When  $n$  is even, let  $F_{2i}$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$ , denote the number of ways to tile the board:

When  $i = 0$ , meaning there's 0 2-tile at the end, which means it ends with a 1-tile, therefore, there are  $F_{2i-1}$  ways to tile the remaining  $2i$  boards

When  $i = 1$ , meaning there's 1 2-tile at the end, which means the third last board is a 1-tile, there are  $F_{2i-3}$  ways to tile the remaining  $2i - 2$  boards

When  $i = 2$ , meaning there are 2 2-tiles at the end, which means the fifth last board is a 1-tile, there are  $F_{2i-5}$  ways to tile the remaining  $2i - 4$  boards

⋮

When  $i = \frac{n}{2}$ , meaning there are  $\frac{n}{2}$  2-tiles, there are  $F_0 = 1$  ways to tile the remaining 0 board

Therefore, in total, there are  $1 + F_1 + F_3 + \cdots + F_{2i-1}$  ways to tile the board

- (2) When  $n$  is odd, let  $F_{2i+1}$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$ , denote the number of ways to tile the board:

When  $i = 0$ , meaning there's 0 2-tile at the end, since  $2i + 1$  is an odd number, at least 1 1-tile will be used, therefore, there are  $2i$  boards left with  $F_{2i}$  ways to tile them

When  $i = 1$ , meaning there's 1 2-tile, similarly, there are  $F_{2i-2}$  ways to tile the remaining  $2i - 1$  boards

When  $i = 2$ , meaning there are 2 2-tiles, there are  $F_{2i-4}$  ways to tile the remaining  $2i - 3$  boards

⋮

When  $i = \frac{n-1}{2}$ , meaning there are  $\frac{n-1}{2}$  2-tiles, there are  $F_0$  ways to tile the remaining 1 board

Therefore, in total, there are  $F_{2i} + F_{2i-2} + F_{2i-4} + \cdots + F_0$  ways to tile the board

To sum up, we use  $2n + 1$  and  $2n$  to denote odd number of boards and even number of boards, thus, there are  $F_{2n} = 1 + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} F_{2k+1}$  or  $F_{2n+1} = \sum_{k=0}^n F_{2k}$  ways to tile the entire board, depending on the number of boards

3. Sec 4.2 #10

- (a) 3-bracelet:  $\{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}\}, \{\{1, 2\}, \{3\}\}, \{\{1\}, \{2, 3\}\}, \{\{3, 1\}, 2\}$   
 4-bracelet:  $\{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}\}, \{\{1, 2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}\}, \{\{1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{4\}\}, \{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3, 4\}\},$   
 $\{\{4, 1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}\}, \{\{1, 2\}, \{3, 4\}\}, \{\{4, 1\}, \{2, 3\}\}$   
 5-bracelet:  $\{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{5\}\}, \{\{1, 2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{5\}\}, \{\{1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{4\}, \{5\}\},$   
 $\{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3, 4\}, \{5\}\}, \{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4, 5\}\}, \{\{5, 1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}\}, \{\{1, 2\}, \{3, 4\}, \{5\}\},$   
 $\{\{1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{4, 5\}\}, \{\{5, 1\}, \{2, 3\}, \{4\}\}, \{\{5, 1\}, \{2\}, \{3, 4\}\}, \{\{1, 2\}, \{3\}, \{4, 5\}\}$
- (b) Conditioning on whether the first square is alone by itself (covered by a 1-tile), or covered by a 2-tile with another square (square 2 or square  $n$ ):
- (1) If it is alone by itself, then there are  $n - 1$  squares left with  $\beta_{n-1}$  ways to tile them
  - (2) If it is not alone by itself, then there are  $n - 2$  squares left with  $\beta_{n-2}$  ways to tile them

Therefore, in total, there are  $\beta_n = \beta_{n-1} + \beta_{n-2}$  ways to tile the  $n$ -bracelets

We define  $\beta_0 = 2$ , because there are 2 different 0-bracelet, closed and open, we define  $\beta_1 = 1$ , because there's only 1 way to tile a 1-bracelet as it cannot be closed

- (c) Answer 1: Since  $L_0 = 2, L_1 = 1$  and  $F_0 = F_1 = 1, L_2 = L_0 + L_1 > F_2 = F_0 + F_1$ , therefore,  $L_3 = L_1 + L_2 > F_3 = F_1 + F_2 \dots L_n = L_{n-2} + L_{n-1} > F_n = F_{n-2} + F_{n-1}$  because one of  $L_{n-2}$  and  $L_{n-1}$  is bigger than both  $F_{n-2}$  and  $F_{n-1}$ , and the other is at least equal, only when  $n = 1, L_1 = F_1$  thus,  $L_n \geq F_n$  for all  $n \geq 0$

Answer 2: *Lucas number* is the number of ways to tile a  $n$ -bracelet, which is circular, the head and tail can be connect, while *Fibonacci number* is the number of ways to tile a  $n$ -board, whose head and tail cannot to connect, therefore, for all  $n \geq 2$ , the number of ways to tile a circular  $n$ -bracelet is more than the number of ways to tile a  $n$ -board. When  $n = 0, L_0 = 2$  and  $F_0 = 1$ , when  $n = 1, L_1 = F_1 = 1$ , therefore, for all  $n \geq 0, L_n \geq F_n$

4. Sec 4.2 #11

How many ways are there to tile a  $n$ -bracelet?

Answer 1: There are  $L_n$  ways

Answer 2: Conditioning on whether the bracelet is closed:

- (1) The bracelet is open. Then the question is equivalent to tiling a  $n$ -board, which has  $F_n$  ways of doing so
- (2) The bracelet is closed. Then the first and the  $n^{th}$  bracelets are covered by a 2-tile, which leaves us  $n - 2$  bracelets to tile, and there are  $F_{n-2}$  ways of doing so

Therefore, there are in total  $F_n + F_{n-2}$  ways to tile a  $n$ -bracelet. Thus,  $L_n = F_n + F_{n-2}$

5. Sec 4.3 #1

$$3x^4 = 3S(4,0)(x)_0 + 3S(4,1)(x)_1 + 3S(4,2)(x)_2 + 3S(4,3)(x)_3 + 3S(4,4)(x)_4$$

$$= 3(x)_1 + 21(x)_2 + 18(x)_3 + 3(x)_4$$

$$-x^3 = -(x)_1 - 3(x)_2 - (x)_3$$

$$4x = 4(x)_1$$

$$\text{Therefore, } 3x^4 - x^3 + 4x + 10 = 6(x)_1 + 18(x)_2 + 17(x)_3 + 3(x)_4$$

6. Sec 4.3 #2

$$3(x)_4 = 3x(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)$$

$$-12(x)_3 = -12x(x-1)(x-2)$$

$$4(x)_1 = 4x$$

$$\text{Therefore, } 3(x)_4 - 12(x)_3 + 4(x)_1 - 17 = 3x^4 - 30x^3 + 69x^2 - 38x - 17$$

7. Sec 4.3 #6

$$\text{Since } (x)^{(n)} = x(x+1)(x+2) \dots (x+n-1), (-1)^n(x)^{(n)} = (-1)^n x(x+1)(x+2) \dots (x+n-1),$$

$$\text{and } (-x)_n = (-x)(-x-1)(-x-2) \dots (-x-n+1) = (-1)^n(x+1)(x+2) \dots (x+n-1),$$

$$\text{Therefore, for any } n \geq 0, (-x)_n = (-1)^n(x)^{(n)}$$

8. Sec 4.3 #7

Since

$$s(n, k) = (-1)^{n+k} c(n, k)$$

Multiply both sides by  $x^k$  and we get:

$$s(n, k)x^k = (-1)^{n+k} c(n, k)x^k$$

then sum over all  $k \geq 0$ :

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} s(n, k)x^k = \sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^{n+k} c(n, k)x^k$$

we know that

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} s(n, k)x^k = (x)_n$$

therefore

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^{n+k} c(n, k)x^k = (x)_n$$

Replace  $x$  with  $-x$  and we get:

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^{n+k} c(n, k)(-x)^k = (-x)_n$$

The left-hand side equals:

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^{n+k} c(n, k)(-1)^k (x)^k = \sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^{n+2k} c(n, k)(x)^k = \sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^n c(n, k)(x)^k$$

Because  $2k$  is an even number, it wouldn't have effect on the sign of the equation

Therefore, we get:

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^n c(n, k) (x)^k = (-x)_n$$

In the previous question, we proved that

$$(-x)_n = (-1)^n (x)^{(n)}$$

Therefore

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} (-1)^n c(n, k) (x)^k = (-1)^n (x)^{(n)}$$

Cancel the constant  $(-1)^n$  on both sides and eventually, we get:

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} c(n, k) (x)^k = (x)^{(n)}$$

#### 9. Sec 4.3 #8

Using the *Binomial Theorem*, we know that

$$(1 + x)^n = \sum_{k \geq 0} \binom{n}{k} x^k$$

And *Theorem 4.3.4* tells us that

$$x^k = \sum_{j=0}^k S(k, j) (x)_j$$

Therefore, we get

$$(1 + x)^n = \sum_{k \geq 0} \binom{n}{k} \left( \sum_{j=0}^k S(k, j) (x)_j \right) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{n}{k} S(k, j) (x)_j$$

Then, we switch the order of summation to get:

$$(1 + x)^n = \sum_{j \geq 0} \sum_{k \geq j} \binom{n}{k} S(k, j) (x)_j = \sum_{j \geq 0} (x)_j \sum_{k \geq j} \binom{n}{k} S(k, j)$$

Therefore, the coefficient of  $(x)_j$  is:

$$a_k = \sum_{k \geq j} \binom{n}{k} S(k, j)$$