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Problem 0-1.

$$A = \left\{ i + {5 \choose i} \mid i \in \mathbb{Z}, \ 0 \le i \le 4 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ 0 + {5 \choose 0}, \ 1 + {5 \choose 1}, \ 2 + {5 \choose 2}, \ 3 + {5 \choose 3}, \ 4 + {5 \choose 4} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ 1, 6, 12, 13, 8 \right\}$$
(1)

$$B = \{3i \mid i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}\}\$$

= \{3, 6, 9, 12, 15\}

(a)
$$A \cap B = \{6, 12\}$$

(b)
$$|A \cup B| = 7$$

(c)
$$|A - B| = 3$$

Problem 0-2.

$$X = \{ \text{# of heads in three coin flips} \}$$

$$= \{ \text{HHH, HHT, HTH, THH, THT, HTT, TTT} \}$$

$$= \{ 3, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0 \}$$

$$(3)$$

$$Y = \{ \text{products of two six-sided dice} \}$$

$$= \{ 1*1, 1*2, 2*1, \dots 6*5, 6*6 \}$$

$$\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, \\
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, \\
= \frac{3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, }{4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, }
5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, \\
6, 12, 18, 24, 30, 36 \},$$

$$(4)$$

(a)
$$E[X] = (3 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 3)/8 = 12/8 = 1.5$$

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(b)
$$E[Y] = 426/36 = 11.8\overline{33}$$

(c)
$$E[{X + Y}] = 438/44 = 9.9\overline{54}$$

Problem 0-3.

$$A = 600/6 = 100 \tag{5}$$

$$B = 60 \bmod 42 = 17 \tag{6}$$

(a)
$$A \mod 2 = 0, \ B \mod 2 = 0, \ A \equiv B \pmod{2}$$

(b)
$$A \mod 3 = 1, \ B \mod 3 = 0, \ \therefore A \not\equiv B \pmod 3$$

(c)
$$A \mod 4 = 0$$
, $B \mod 4 = 2$, $A \not\equiv B \pmod 4$

Problem 0-4. Prove by induction that $\sum_{i=1}^{n} i^3 = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]^2$, for any $n \ge 1$.

Proof. Let $P(n): \sum_{i=1}^{n} i^3 = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]^2$.

Base case, P(1):

$$\sum_{i=1}^{1} i^3 = 1 \tag{7}$$

$$\left[\frac{1(1+1)}{2}\right]^2 = 1\tag{8}$$

Hence, base case is true. For the induction step, assuming P(n) is true, we get P(n+1):

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i^3 = (n+1)^3 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} i^3 \tag{9}$$

$$= (n+1)^3 + \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]^2 \tag{10}$$

$$=\frac{4(n+1)^3+n^2(n+1)^2}{4}=\frac{(4(n+1)+n^2)(n+1)^2}{4}$$
(11)

$$=\frac{(n^2+4n+1)(n+1)^2}{4}=\frac{(n+2)^2(n+1)^2}{4}$$
 (12)

$$= \left\lceil \frac{(n+1)((n+1)+1)}{2} \right\rceil^2 \tag{13}$$

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Problem 0-5. Prove by induction that every connected undirected graph G = (V, E) for which |E| = |V| - 1 is acyclic.

Recall:

- A graph is connected if each pair of vertices has at least one connecting edge.
- An undirected graph simply means that all edges has no direction component.
- An acyclic graph is a graph that contains no cycles. When traversing the graph from vertex to vertex, no same vertex shall be visited twice.
- |E| = |V| 1 means that there is one less edge as there are vertices.

Proof. Using induction on the number of vertices, n = |V|, in a graph G = (V, E). Define P(n) as: "Given that G is a connected undirected graph, if |E| = |V| - 1, then G is acyclic."

Base case, P(1): |V| = 1, hence |E| = 0. A graph with only one vertex can't create a cycle since a cycle requires a nonempty sequence of edges. Thus the base case holds.

For the induction step, we consider a "shrink-down, build-up" approach: ¹ Consider an (n+1) vertex graph G' that is connected, undirected, and has |V| = n + 1, and |E| = n. We know that any connected graph has a spanning tree, and a leaf of that spanning tree can be removed such that we are left with a graph G that is still connected, undirected, and has |V| = n, and |E| = n - 1. If we assume P(n), then G is acyclic. Now we see if we can get G' from G by adding a vertex.

Case 1: Connecting the vertex v_{n+1} to an edge in G. This is not possible since all edges in G are already connected to 2 vertices (since it is a connected graph with one less edge than vertices).

Case 2: Connecting the edge e_n to two vertices already in G. This is not possible since if $e_n = \{v_{n-1}, v_n\}$, then by case 1, there won't be any edge for v_{n+1} and it won't be a part of the connected graph G.

Case 3: Connecting the new vertex and edge together with a vertex in G. That is, $e_n = \{v_n, v_{n+1}\}$. Since G is said to be acyclic, we know that v_n doesn't belong to any prior cycle. For v_n and v_{n+1} to create a new cycle, there should be a path from v_n to v_{n+1} and back to v_n . Since v_{n+1} is only connected to e_n , then there is no path from v_{n+1} back to v_n without repeating the edge. Therefore, the two vertices don't create a new cycle.

By considering the three cases, we see that G remains ayelic.

¹This is to avoid the "Build-up Error," where one assumes that every size n+1 graph with some property can be built-up from a size n graph with the same property. This assumption is not true by default. Note that the property in question is that of the antecedent, which is necessary to assume P(n).

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Problem 0-6. Submit your implementation to alg.mit.edu.

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def count_long_subarray(A):
       ,,,
                    | Python Tuple of positive integers
       Input: A
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      Output: count | number of longest increasing subarrays of A
      count = 0
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      prev_a = 0
      current_subarray_size = 0
      max\_subarray\_size = 0
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      for a in A:
          print("a =", a)
           if a > prev_a: # while increasing
               # keep track of length of increasing-subarray
               current_subarray_size += 1
               print("subarray_size =", current_subarray_size)
               prev_a = a
               if current_subarray_size > max_subarray_size:
                   max_subarray_size = current_subarray_size
                   count = 1
                   print(
                       "update max_subarray_size =",
                       max_subarray_size,
                       "reset count =",
                       count,
                   )
               elif current_subarray_size == max_subarray_size:
                   count += 1
                   print("increment count =", count)
               continue
3.4
           # if not inreasing anymore, end of subarray
           prev_a = a # the update in the 1st if-case won't be executed, update here
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           current_subarray_size = 1 # 1 because current_subarray = [ prev_a ]
           print("reset current_subarray_size =", 1)
3.8
       print("COUNT =", count)
       return count
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