

DAA Tutorial 12 Solution

4: (a) A() can halt in

(10)

1st iteration ($n \leftarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$) with probability = $\frac{2}{4}$

2nd iteration ($n \leftarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$) with probability = $\frac{2}{4} \times \frac{2}{5}$

3rd iteration ($n \leftarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$) with probability = $\frac{2}{4} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{6}$

\vdots
ith iteration ($n \leftarrow \{0, 1, \dots, i+2\}$) with probability = $\frac{2}{4} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{6} \times \dots \times \frac{2}{i+2} \times \frac{2}{i+3}$

to

Probability of halting of A()

$$= \frac{2}{4} + \frac{2}{4} \times \frac{2}{5} + \frac{2}{4} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{6} + \dots + \frac{2}{4} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{6} \times \dots \times \frac{2}{i+2} \times \frac{2}{i+3} + \dots \quad (4)$$

$$= \frac{12}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \frac{12}{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} + \frac{12}{4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6} + \dots + \frac{12}{(i+1)(i+2)(i+3)} + \dots \quad (2)$$

$$= 6 \left[\frac{4-2}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \frac{5-3}{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} + \frac{6-4}{4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6} + \dots + \frac{(i+3)-(i+1)}{(i+1)(i+2)(i+3)} + \dots \right]$$

$$= 6 \left[\frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} - \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} - \frac{1}{4 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 5} - \frac{1}{5 \cdot 6} + \dots + \frac{1}{(i+1)(i+2)} - \frac{1}{(i+2)(i+3)} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{6}{2 \cdot 3} = \boxed{1} \quad (4)$$

(b) Expected number of iterations of the while loop in A()

$$= \frac{2}{4} \times 1 + \frac{2}{4} \times \frac{2}{5} \times 2 + \frac{2}{4} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{6} \times 3 + \dots + \frac{2}{4} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{2}{6} \times \dots \times \frac{2}{i+2} \times \frac{2}{i+3} \times i + \dots \quad (4)$$

$$= \frac{12 \times 1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \frac{12 \times 2}{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} + \frac{12 \times 3}{4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6} + \dots + \frac{12 \times i}{(i+1)(i+2)(i+3)} + \dots \quad (2)$$

$$= 12 \left[\frac{2+3-4}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \frac{3+4-5}{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} + \frac{4+5-6}{4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6} + \dots + \frac{(i+1)+(i+2)-(i+3)}{(i+1)(i+2)(i+3)} + \dots \right]$$

$$= 12 \left[\frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 4} - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} - \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 6} + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 6} - \frac{1}{4 \cdot 5} + \dots \right]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{(i+2)(i+3)} + \frac{1}{(i+1)(i+3)} - \frac{1}{(i+1)(i+2)} + \dots$$

$$= 6 \left[-\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{2 \cdot 4} + \frac{2}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{2}{4 \cdot 6} + \dots + \frac{2}{(i+1)(i+3)} + \dots \right] \textcircled{20}$$

$$= -2 + 6 \left[\frac{4-2}{2 \cdot 4} + \frac{5-3}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{6-4}{4 \cdot 6} + \dots + \frac{(i+3)-(i+1)}{(i+1)(i+3)} + \dots \right]$$

$$= -2 + 6 \left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{6} + \dots + \frac{1}{i+1} - \frac{1}{i+3} + \dots \right]$$

$$= -2 + 3 + 2 = \boxed{3} \textcircled{4}$$