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Answer 1

a

Let $R(x), G(x), B(x)$ be generating functions for red, green blue candies respectively. Actually, we can extend the terms of $R(x)$ and $B(x)$ to infinity but notice that we can not select 10 red candies since blue candies should be odd and the least odd number is 1. We can select at most 5 blue candies since there must be at least 4 red candies. Thus, generating functions are

$$R(x) = x^4 + x^5 + x^6 + x^7 + x^8 + x^9$$

$$G(x) = 1 + x^2 + x^4$$

$$B(x) = x + x^3 + x^5$$

Then the ways to select 10 candies is the coefficient of x^{10} in, let say $S(x)$, where $S(x) = R(x)G(x)B(x)$.

$$S(x) = (x^4 + x^5 + x^6 + x^7 + x^8 + x^9)(1 + x^2 + x^4)(x + x^3 + x^5)$$

$$S(x) = (x^4 + x^5 + x^6 + x^7 + x^8 + x^9)(x + 2x^3 + 3x^5 + 2x^7 + x^9)$$

The coefficient of x^{10} in $S(x)$ is 6.

b

If we have 5 candies of each of them, we can not select more than 5 candies. So, we need to delete the terms with power more than five in generating functions of them. Therefore,

$$R(x) = x^4 + x^5$$

$$G(x) = 1 + x^2 + x^4$$

$$B(x) = x + x^3 + x^5$$

$$S(x) = (x^4 + x^5)(1 + x^2 + x^4)(x + x^3 + x^5)$$

$$S(x) = (x^4 + x^5 + x^6 + x^7 + x^8 + x^9)(x + x^3 + x^5)$$

The coefficient of x^{10} in $S(x)$ is 3.

c

$$F(x) = x \frac{7x}{(1-2x)(1+3x)}$$

Let $F(x) = xG(x)$

$$G(x) = \frac{a}{1-2x} + \frac{b}{1+3x} = \frac{7x}{(1-2x)(1+3x)}$$

$a + 3ax + b - 2bx = 7x$. When we solve, $a = 7/5$, $b = -7/5$

$$G(x) = \frac{7}{5} \left(\frac{1}{1-2x} - \frac{1}{1+3x} \right)$$

Notice that

$$\frac{1}{1-2x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^k x^k \longleftrightarrow \langle 1, 2, 2^2, \dots \rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{1+3x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-3)^k x^k \longleftrightarrow \langle 1, (-3), (-3)^2, \dots \rangle$$

$$G(x) = \frac{7}{5} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (2^k - (-3)^k) x^k \longleftrightarrow \frac{7}{5} \langle 0, 2 - (-3), 2^2 - (-3)^2, \dots \rangle$$

$$F(x) = xG(x) = \frac{7}{5} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (2^k - (-3)^k) x^{k+1}$$

$$F(x) \longleftrightarrow \frac{7}{5} \langle 0, 0, 1, (2 - (-3)), (2^2 - (-3)^2), \dots \rangle$$

$$F(x) \longleftrightarrow \langle 0, 0, \frac{7}{5}, \frac{7(2 - (-3))}{5}, \frac{7(2^2 - (-3)^2)}{5}, \dots \rangle$$

d

First, notice that $s_1 = 8s_0 + 10^0 = 8s_0 + 1 = 9$. So, $s_0 = 1$.

$$s_n = 8s_{n-1} + 10^{n-1}$$

$$s_n x^n = 8s_{n-1} x^n + 10^{n-1} x^n$$

Let $G(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n x^n$. Since $s_0 = 1$, subtract 1 from $G(x)$ to start from $n = 1$.

$$G(x) - 1 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_n x^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (8s_{n-1} x^n + 10^{n-1} x^n)$$

$$G(x) - 1 = 8 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_{n-1} x^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 10^{n-1} x^n$$

$$G(x) - 1 = 8x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_{n-1} x^{n-1} + x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 10^{n-1} x^{n-1}$$

$$G(x) - 1 = 8x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n x^n + x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 10^n x^n$$

$$G(x) - 1 = 8xG(x) + \frac{x}{1 - 10x}$$

where I have used the Table 1 on page 542 to evaluate the second summation. Thus,

$$G(x) = \frac{1 - 9x}{(1 - 8x)(1 - 10x)}$$

$$G(x) = \frac{A}{1 - 8x} + \frac{B}{1 - 10x}$$

Solving this gives $A = 1/2, B = 1/2$.

$$G(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1 - 8x} + \frac{1}{1 - 10x} \right)$$

Again, use Table 1 to convert these into sums.

$$G(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 8^n x^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 10^n x^n \right)$$

$$G(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} (8^n + 10^n) x^n$$

Therefore,

$$s_n = \frac{1}{2} (8^n + 10^n)$$

Answer 2

For simplicity, I will use the term "A-set" to represent the set of all numbers that are divisible by a given integer in a given interval.

a

Let $k = cm$ where c is an integer and $A_k = \{k_1, k_2 k_3, \dots\}$. If $k|k_i$ where $k_i \in A_k$, then $k_i = bk$ where b is an integer.

$$k_i = b(cm) = bcm$$

So, all elements in A_k are divisible by m . Thus, A_m contains all the elements of A_k since these elements are divisible by m . Then,

$$A_k \subseteq A_m$$

b

If n is a composite number, n has a prime divisor less than or equal to \sqrt{n} , by theorem 2 on page 258. So the greatest prime divisor of n can be \sqrt{n} .

From part a, the A-set of a composite number is the subset of the A-sets of prime divisors of it. So, we do not need to consider A-sets of composite numbers because all numbers which can be divisible by a composite number is also divisible by a prime number. Since the greatest prime number which divides the greatest composite number, which is n , can be less than or equal to \sqrt{n} and since all other composite numbers less than or equal to n are divisible by some primes $p \leq \sqrt{n}$, the right-hand side of equation 1 is equal to the union of A-sets of prime numbers up to \sqrt{n} .

c

Assume that n is divisible by m . Thus,

$$A_m = \{2m, 3m, 4m, \dots, (\frac{n}{m}m)\}$$

Clearly, there are $n/m - 1$ elements in A_m . Now assume that n is not divisible by m . Let k is the number before n that is divisible by m . Thus,

$$A'_m = \{2m, 3m, 4m, \dots, (\frac{k}{m}m)\}$$

in the interval $(m, k]$. Clearly, there are $k/m - 1$ elements in A'_m . Since n is greater than k and is not divisible by m , $|A_m| = |A'_m|$. Thus, $|A_m| = k/m - 1 = \lfloor n/m \rfloor - 1$.

d

Since a and b are relatively prime, the intersection of A_a and A_b is the $lcm(a, b) = ab$ and its multiples. This set is the union of A_{ab} and $\{ab\}$. So, the only number is $lcm(a, b) = ab$.

e

Since all the elements in P is primes, A_p is the multiples of those primes and the intersection of all A-sets is the A-set of the number, say k , such that

$$k = p_1 p_2 p_3 \dots$$

where p_i 's are the elements of P . Therefore,

$$\left| \bigcap_{p \in P} A_p \right| = |A_k| + 1$$

Add 1 because k should be in the intersection of all A-sets of p 's in P but is not in the A-set of k .

f

From part b,

$$|C_{45}| = \left| \bigcup_{\substack{\text{primes } p \leq \sqrt{45}}} A_p \right|$$

$$|C_{45}| = |A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5| = |A_2| + |A_3| + |A_5| - |A_2 \cap A_3| - |A_2 \cap A_5| - |A_3 \cap A_5| + |A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5|$$

g

From part b, c, d and e:

$$|A_2 \cap A_3| = |A_6| + 1 = 7 \quad |A_2 \cap A_5| = |A_{10}| + 1 = 4 \quad |A_3 \cap A_5| = |A_{15}| + 1 = 3 \quad |A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5| = |A_{30}| + 1 = 1$$

$$|C_{45}| = |A_2| + |A_3| + |A_5| - |A_6| - |A_{10}| - |A_{15}| + |A_{30}|$$

$$|C_{45}| = 21 + 14 + 8 - 7 - 4 - 3 + 1 = 30$$

Notice that C_{45} is defined in the interval $(1, 45]$ so 1 is not in C_{45} . Thus the number of composite numbers up to 45 is $|C_{45}| + 1 = 31$. Subtracting this from 45 will give the number of primes up to 45. $45 - 31 = 14$

Answer 3

a

If \ll is a transitive relation, then for pairs for all arbitrary (a, b) , (c, d) , (e, f) in Z^2 , the following is true.

$$[((a, b) \ll (c, d)) \wedge ((c, d) \ll (e, f))] \rightarrow ((a, b) \ll (e, f))$$

If $(a, b) \ll (c, d)$ and $(c, d) \ll (e, f)$, this means

$$(a < c) \vee (a = c \wedge b \leq d)$$

$$(c < e) \vee (c = e \wedge d \leq f)$$

If \ll is a transitive relation

$$(a < e) \vee (a = e \wedge b \leq f)$$

must hold.

1. Consider the first case: $(a < c)$ and $(c < e)$. Then, $a < e$ and relation holds for the first case.
2. Consider the second case: $(a = c \wedge b \leq d)$ and $(c = e \wedge d \leq f)$. Clearly $a = e$ and since $b \leq d \leq f$, this implies $b \leq f$. Therefore, \ll is a transitive relation.

b

Equivalence relations are reflexive, symmetric, transitive relations.

Reflexivity

For all functions f, k in R such that $x \geq k$, the following is true for any k .

$$f(x) = f(x)$$

$$f \alpha f$$

Thus, α is reflexive.

Symmetry

If $f \alpha g$, for $x \geq k$, $f(x) = g(x)$. If $g \alpha f$, for $x \geq k$, $g(x) = f(x)$. If $f \alpha g$ holds, so do $g \alpha f$ for the same arbitrary k and vice versa. Thus, α is symmetric.

Transitivity

If α is a transitive relation, then for pairs f, g and h the following is true.

$$[(f \alpha g) \wedge (g \alpha h)] \rightarrow (f \alpha h)$$

If $f \alpha g$ and $g \alpha h$, this means

$$f(x) = g(x)$$

for every $x \geq k_1$.

$$g(x) = h(x)$$

for every $x \geq k_2$.

Since these two functions are equal at points greater than the maximum of k_1 and k_2 , clearly

$$f \alpha h$$

for every $x \geq \max(k_1, k_2)$ Thus, α is transitive.