

## Recursive Decompositions

$$S = \text{all strings} \\ = \{\epsilon\} \cup S\{0,1\}$$

$$\Phi_S(x) = 1 + 2x\Phi_S(x)$$

$$\Phi_S(x) - 2x\Phi_S(x) = 1$$

$$\therefore \Phi_S(x) = \frac{1}{1-2x} = \sum_{k \geq 0} 2^k x^k$$

$S$  - strings without 111

$$\Phi_S(x) = (1+x+x^2) + \Phi_C(x)(x+x^2+x^3)$$

$$= \{\epsilon, 1, 11\} \cup S\{0\} \cup S\{01\} \cup S\{011\} \\ = \{\epsilon, 1, 11\} \cup S\{0, 01, 011\}$$

$$\Phi_C(x) = \frac{1+x+x^2}{1-(x+x^2+x^3)}$$

## Forbidden Substrings

Problem: How many strings are there with no 11101-L

$$M = \{\text{strings containing } 11101 \text{ once at the time}\}$$

$$L \setminus M = \{\epsilon\} \cup L\{0,1\} \quad \& \quad L\{11101\} = M \cup M\{1101\}$$

$$\Phi_L(x) + \Phi_M(x) = 1 + 2x\Phi_L(x) \quad x^5\Phi_L(x) = \Phi_M(x) + x^4\Phi_M(x)$$

$$\Phi_L(x) + \frac{x^5}{1+x^4}\Phi_L(x) - 2x\Phi_L(x) = 1 \quad \xleftarrow{\text{sub}} \quad \Phi_M(x) = \frac{x^5}{1+x^4}\Phi_L(x)$$

$$\therefore \Phi_L(x) = \frac{1}{1+\frac{x^5}{1+x^4}-2x} = \frac{1-x^4}{1-2x-x^4+3x^5}$$

## Partial Fraction Expansion

$$[x^n] \frac{1+3x}{(1-x)(1+x)(1-2x)} = \frac{A}{1-x} + \frac{B}{1+x} + \frac{C}{1-2x}$$

$$= \frac{A(1+x)(1-2x) + B(1-x)(1-2x) + C(1+x)(1-x)}{(1-x)(1+x)(1-2x)}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A+B+C=1 \\ -A-C=3 \\ -2A+2B+C=0 \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow f(x) = -\frac{2}{1-x} - \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{1+x}\right) + \frac{10}{3}\left(\frac{1}{1-2x}\right)$$

$$= -2 \sum_{k \geq 0} x^k - \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k \geq 0} (-x)^k + \frac{10}{3} \sum_{k \geq 0} (2x)^k$$

$$\therefore [x^n] f(x) = -2 - \frac{1}{3}(-1)^n + \frac{10}{3}(2^n)$$

$$= \sum_{k \geq 0} (-2x^k - \frac{1}{3}(-x)^k + \frac{10}{3}(2x)^k)$$

$$f(x) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \left(-2 - \frac{1}{3}(-1)^k + \frac{10}{3}2^k\right)x^k$$

What if we have  $\frac{g(x)}{(1-x)^m}$ ? Use negative binomial theorem

$$\frac{g(x)}{(1-x)^m} = g(x) \sum_{n \geq 0} \binom{n+m-1}{m-1} x^n$$

Proposition: let  $f, g$  be polynomials with  $\deg(g) < \deg(f)$

and  $f$  has a constant term 1, then

$$\frac{g(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{h_1(x)}{(1-\theta_1(x))^{m_1}} + \frac{h_2(x)}{(1-\theta_2(x))^{m_2}} + \dots + \frac{h_\ell(x)}{(1-\theta_\ell(x))^{m_\ell}}$$

where  $\deg(h_i) < m_i \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, \ell\}$

## Solving Recurrence Relations

$$\begin{cases} a_0 = 1 \\ a_1 = 4 \end{cases}$$

$$\{ a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2} \quad \forall n \geq 2 \}$$

$$a_2 x^2 - 3a_1 x^2 - 2a_0 x^2 = 0$$

$$a_3 x^3 - 3a_2 x^3 - 2a_1 x^3 = 0$$

$$a_n - 3a_{n-1} x^n - 2a_{n-2} x^n = -1$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n = 0 \\ \sum_{n \geq 2} a_n x^n - 3 \sum_{n \geq 1} a_{n-1} x^n - 2 \sum_{n \geq 2} a_{n-2} x^n = 0 \\ \sum_{n \geq 2} a_n x^n - 3x \sum_{n \geq 1} a_n x^n - 2x^2 \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n x^n = 0 \\ a_n - 3a_{n-1} x^n - 2a_{n-2} x^n = -1 \end{array} \right.$$