

## Challenge set 4

### part II

#### Exercises 7.1

5. Three types of pennies.

Two types of nickels.

One type of dime.

One type of quarters.

Let  $a_n =$  number of ways to distribute a total of  $n$ ¢ among the three types of pennies, two types of nickels, one type of dime and one type of quarter.

If we distribute 1¢ of money, then there are  $\binom{1+3-1}{1}$  ways of picking the penny, and

$3a_{n-1}$  ways to distribute the remaining  $n-1$ ¢.

If we distribute 5¢ of money, then there are  $\binom{1+2-1}{1}$  ways of picking the nickel, and  $2a_{n-5}$  ways to distribute the remaining  $n-5$ ¢. If we

distribute 25¢ of money, then there are  $a_{n-25}$  ways to distribute the remaining  $n-25$ ¢. If we

distribute 10¢ of money, then there are

$a_{n-10}$  ways to distribute the remaining  $n-10$  cents.

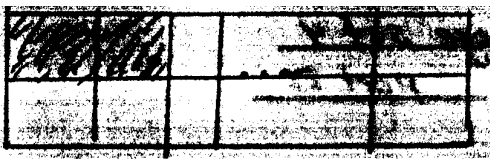
In the last two cases we distribute out 25¢ and 10¢ of money via a quarter and nickel respectively.

9.  $a_n =$  the number of ways to fill a  $2 \times n$  checkerboard, with dominoes.



If we place the first domino such that it fills one of the columns, then we have a  $2 \times (n-1)$  checkerboard left which can be filled in  $a_{n-1}$  ways.

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If we place the first domino such that it fills two spaces in the first row, we are left with a  $2 \times (n-2)$  checkerboard and a horizontal  $1 \times 2$  block. The  $2 \times (n-2)$  checkerboard can be filled in  $a_{n-2}$  ways, the horizontal  $1 \times 2$  block can only be filled one way.

Hence  $a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$ .

15.  $a_n =$  amount of money in the savings account after  $n$  years.

$$a_n = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{money from} \\ \text{last year}}}{a_{n-1}} + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{interest earned} \\ \text{on last year's} \\ \text{money}}}{0.06 a_{n-1}} + \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{new} \\ \text{deposit} \\ \text{earn} \\ \text{1 year interest}}}{50(1.06)}$$

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$$a_n = 1.06(a_{n-1}) + 50(1.06)$$

21. Let  $a_n =$  number of  $n$ -digit ternary sequence with "012" occurring for the first time at the end.

If the first digit is 1  $\dots$   $n-1$  digit sequence left. the  $a_{n-1}$   $n-1$  digit sequences with "012" occurring for first time at the end.

If the first digit is 2  $\dots$   $n-1$  digit sequence left. the  $a_{n-1}$   $n-1$  digit sequences with "012" occurring for first time at the end.

If the first digit is 0  $\dots$  , then there  $a_{n-1}$   $(n-1)$  digit ternary sequences that have 012 occurring for the first time at the end.

There are  $a_{n-3}$   $(n-1)$  digit ternary sequences that start with 12, and have "012" occurring for the first time at the end.

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + \overset{a_{n-1} - a_{n-3}}{a_{n-1}} + a_{n-1} - a_{n-3} = 3a_{n-1} - a_{n-3}$$

27. Look at it from the perspective of the objects of type I.

If we take one object of type I, then there are  $A_{n-1, k-1}$  ways of selecting  $n-1$  objects from  $k-1$  types with at most 3 objects of each type.

If we take two objects of type I, then there are  $A_{n-2, k-1}$  ways of selecting  $n-2$  objects from  $k-1$  types with at most 3 objects of each type.

If we take three objects of type I, then there are  $A_{n-3, k-1}$  ways of selecting  $n-3$  objects from  $k-1$  types with at most 3 objects of each type.

If we take no objects of type I, then there are  $A_{n, k-1}$  ways of selecting  $n$  objects from  $k-1$  types with at most 3 objects of each type.  $A_{n, k} = A_{n, k-1} + A_{n-1, k-1} + A_{n-2, k-1} + A_{n-3, k-1}$

31. Follow example 11.6 carefully.

$a_n =$  number of  $n$ -digit binary sequences with an even number of zero's and an even number of one's.

$b_n =$  number of  $n$ -digit binary sequences with an even number of zero's and an odd number of one's.

$c_n =$  number of  $n$ -digit binary sequences with an odd number of zero's and an even number of one's.

$2^n - a_n - b_n - c_n =$  number of  $n$ -digit binary sequences with an odd number of zero's and odd number of one's.

An  $n$ -digit binary sequence is obtained by having a 1 for the first digit followed by an  $n-1$  digit sequence with an even number of zero's and odd number of one's, or by having 0 for the first digit followed by an  $n-1$  digit sequence with an odd number of zero's and an even number of one's.

$$a_n = b_{n-1} + c_{n-1}$$

$b_n$  - # of  $n$  digit binary sequence with an even number of zero's and an odd number of ones.

If the first digit is 1, then we need an  $n-1$  digit sequence with an even number of zero's and even number of one's.  
 $a_{n-1}$ .

If the first digit is 0, then we need an  $n-1$  digit sequence with an odd number of number of one's and an odd number of zero's.

$$2^{n-1} = a_{n-1} + b_{n-1} + c_{n-1}$$

$$b_n = a_{n-1} + 2^{n-1} - a_{n-1} - b_{n-1} - c_{n-1} \\ = 2^{n-1} - b_{n-1} - c_{n-1}$$

$c_n$  - # of  $n$  digit binary sequences with an odd number of zero's and an even number of ones.

If the first digit is a 1, then we need an  $n-1$  digit sequence with an odd number of ones and odd number of zero's.  
 $2^{n-1} = a_{n-1} + b_{n-1} + c_{n-1}$ .

If the first digit is a 0, then we need an  $n-1$  digit sequence with an even number of zero's and an even number of ones.  
 $a_{n-1}$ .

$$c_n = a_{n-1} + 2^{n-1} - a_{n-1} - b_{n-1} - c_{n-1} \\ = 2^{n-1} - b_{n-1} - c_{n-1}$$

Summary of recurrence relations:

$$a_n = b_{n-1} + c_{n-1} \\ b_n = c_n = 2^{n-1} - b_{n-1} - c_{n-1}$$

41.  $f(n, k) = \#$  of  $k$ -subsets of the integers  
 a. 1 through  $n$  with no pairs of consecutive integers

First, lets look at  $f(5, 2)$ . We are working with  
 the integers  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ .  $k=2$

$\{1, 3\}$   $\{1, 4\}$   $\{1, 5\}$  Six 2-subsets of 5 with  
 $\{2, 4\}$   $\{2, 5\}$   $\{3, 5\}$  no pair of consecutive  
 integers

if 1 belongs to the subset then are  $f(3, 1) = 3$   
 2-subsets of 5 that contain 1.

If 1 doesn't belong to the subset, there are  $f(4, 2) = 3$   
 2-subsets of 5 that doesn't contain 1.

In general if 1 belongs to the subset, then there  
 are  $f(n-2, k-1)$   $k-1$  subsets of  $n-2$  numbers with no  
 pair of consecutive numbers.

If 1 doesn't belong then there are  
 $f(n-1, k)$   $k$ -subsets of  $n-1$  numbers with  
 no pair of numbers consecutive.  $\therefore f(n, k) = f(n-2, k-1) + f(n-1, k)$

47. a. 
$$\sum_{i=0}^n F_i = F_{n+2} - 1$$

induction:

$n=1$ : LHS  $= F_0 + F_1 = 2$  RHS  $= F_3 - 1 = F_1 + F_2 - 1 = F_1 + F_1 + F_0 - 1 = 2$

Suppose 
$$\sum_{i=0}^n F_i = F_{n+2} - 1$$

show: 
$$\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} F_i = F_{n+3} - 1$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} F_i = \sum_{i=0}^n F_i + F_{n+1} = F_{n+2} - 1 + F_{n+1} = F_{n+3} - 1$$
  
 I.H

$$b. \quad \sum_{i=0}^n F_i^2 = F_n F_{n+1}$$

$$n=0: \quad \text{LHS} = F_0^2 = 1^2 = 1$$

$$\text{RHS} = F_0 F_1 = 1 \cdot 1 = 1$$

$$\text{Suppose} \quad \sum_{i=0}^n F_i^2 = F_n F_{n+1}$$

$$\text{show:} \quad \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} F_i^2 = F_{n+1} F_{n+2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} F_i^2 &= \sum_{i=0}^n F_i^2 + F_{n+1}^2 = \frac{F_n F_{n+1}}{\text{I.H.}} + F_{n+1}^2 \\ &= F_{n+1} (F_n + F_{n+1}) = F_{n+1} F_{n+2} \end{aligned}$$

$$c. \quad \sum_{k=0}^n F_{2k} = F_{2n+1}$$

$$n=0: \quad \text{LHS} = F_0 = 1$$

$$\text{RHS} = F_{0+1} = F_1 = 1$$

$$\text{Suppose} \quad \sum_{k=0}^n F_{2k} = F_{2n+1}$$

$$\text{show:} \quad \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} F_{2k} = F_{2n+3}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n+1} F_{2k} = \sum_{k=0}^n F_{2k} + F_{2n+2} = F_{2n+1} + F_{2n+2} = F_{2n+3}$$

e. 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{2n} (-1)^{i+1} F_i = -F_{2n-1}$$

$n=1$  LHS 
$$= F_1 - F_2 = 1 - 2 = -1$$
 RHS 
$$= -F_1 = -1$$

Suppose: 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{2n} (-1)^{i+1} F_i = -F_{2n-1}$$
 show 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{2n+2} (-1)^{i+1} F_i = -F_{2n+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{2n+2} (-1)^{i+1} F_i &= \sum_{i=1}^{2n} (-1)^{i+1} F_i + (-1)^{2n+2} F_{2n+1} + (-1)^{2n+3} F_{2n+2} \\ &= -F_{2n-1} + F_{2n+1} - F_{2n+2} \\ &= -F_{2n-1} + F_{2n} + F_{2n-1} - F_{2n+2} \\ &= F_{2n} - (F_{2n+1} + F_{2n}) \\ &= -F_{2n+1} \end{aligned}$$

d.  $n=1:$  
$$F_{n-1} F_{n+1} = F_n^2 + (-1)^{n-1} \quad n \geq 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_0 F_2 &= F_1^2 + (-1)^0 \\ &= 1 \cdot 2 = 2 \\ &= 1^2 + 1 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Suppose 
$$F_{n-1} F_{n+1} = F_n^2 + (-1)^{n-1}$$

Show: 
$$F_n F_{n+2} = F_{n+1}^2 + (-1)^n$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_{n+1}^2 + (-1)^n &= F_{n+1} (F_n + F_{n+1}) + (-1)^n \\ &= F_n F_{n+1} + F_{n+1} F_{n+1} + (-1)^n \\ &= F_n F_{n+1} + \underbrace{F_n^2 + (-1)^{n-1}}_{\text{S.H.}} + (-1)^n \\ &= F_n (F_{n+1} + F_n) + (-1)^{n-1} + (-1)^n \\ &= F_n F_{n+2} + (-1)^{n-1} (1 + (-1)) = F_n F_{n+2} \end{aligned}$$

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17. Let  $a_n =$  the number of  $n$ -digit binary sequences with at least one instance of consecutive 0's.

If the first digit is a 1,

1 \_ \_ ... \_  
then we are left with an  $n-1$  digit binary sequence and this sequence must have at least one instance of consecutive 0's.

There are  $a_{n-1}$  of these.

If the first digit is a 0, then there are two subcases we need to consider.

Subcase 1.

Second digit is a 1.

0 1 \_ \_ ... \_  
n-2 digits

$n-2$  digit binary sequence left and there are  $a_{n-2}$  of these with at least one occurrence of consecutive 0's.

Subcase 2

Second digit is a 0.

0 0 \_ \_ ... \_  
n-2 digits

$n-2$  digit binary sequence left and since we already have an instance of consecutive 0's, we can fill in the  $n-2$  positions with a 0 or a 1. There are  $2^{n-2}$   $n-2$  digit binary sequences.

Recurrence relation for this is

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} + 2^{n-2}$$



20 Let  $a_n =$  the number of  $n$ -digit ternary sequences in which no 1 appears to the right of any 2.

If the first digit is a 1, then we are left with an  $n-1$  digit sequence in which no 1 appears to the right of any 2. There are  $a_{n-1}$  of these.

If the first digit is a 0, then we are left with an  $n-1$  digit sequence in which no 1 appears to the right of any 2. There are  $a_{n-1}$  of these.

If the first digit is a 2, then we are left with an  $n-1$  digit sequence in which no 1 appears to the right of any 2. Since we already have a 2, the remaining  $n-1$  digits can only be filled in with a 0 or a 2, i.e.  $2^{n-1}$  ways.

Recurrence relation for this is.

$$a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-1} + 2^{n-1} = 2a_{n-1} + 2^{n-1}.$$

24. For 2 people, there are  $\binom{2}{2}$  ways to pair them off for a tennis match.

$$a_1 = 1.$$

For 4 people, there are  $\frac{\binom{4}{2}\binom{2}{2}}{2!}$  ways

to pair them off for tennis matches.

$$a_2 = \frac{\binom{4}{2} a_1}{2!}$$

For 6 people, there are  $\frac{\binom{6}{2}\binom{4}{2}\binom{2}{2}}{3!}$   
 $= \frac{\binom{6}{2}}{3} \frac{\binom{4}{2}\binom{2}{2}}{2!} = \frac{\binom{6}{2}}{3} a_2$   
 $a_3 = \frac{\binom{6}{2}}{3} a_2$

Conjecture:  $a_n = \frac{\binom{2n}{2}}{n} a_{n-1} = (2n-1) a_{n-1}$

proof by induction:  
 $a_1 = \frac{\binom{2}{2}}{1} a_0 = 1$

There is only one way to pair off 2 people for a tennis match.

Suppose  $a_k = (2k-1) a_{k-1}$ .

We must prove:  $a_{k+1} = (2k+1) a_k$ .

From  $2k+2$  people pair off 2 people in  $\binom{2k+2}{2}$  ways. From the remaining

$2k$  people there are  $(2k-1) a_{k-1}$  ways to pair them off. Order doesn't matter with these pair off's, so we could insert our first pair into  $k+1$  positions before, in between, and after the other  $k$  pairs formed from the remaining  $2k$  people.

Hence  $a_{k+1} = \frac{\binom{2k+2}{2}}{k+1} (2k-1) a_{k-1}$ ,

$a_{k+1} = \frac{(2k+2)(2k+1)}{2(k+1)} (2k-1) a_{k-1}$   
 $= (2k+1)(2k-1) a_{k-1} = (2k+1) a_k$ .

28. Let  $a_{n,k}$  = the number of ways to distribute  $n$  distinct objects into  $k$  indistinguishable boxes with no box empty.

The boxes are only distinguishable by the number of balls they have in them.

Suppose a box has only one ball. There are  $\binom{n}{1}$  ways to select a ball for this box.

There are  $n-1$  balls left and  $k-1$  boxes left to distribute these balls to. There are  $a_{n-1,k-1}$  ways to do this.

We can generalize this argument. Suppose a box has  $j$  balls in it. There are  $\binom{n}{j}$  ways to select the balls for this box.

There are  $n-j$  balls left, and  $k-1$  boxes left to distribute these balls to. There are  $a_{n-j,k-1}$  ways to do this.

This will end when we have  $k$  balls left.

$a_{k,k} = 1$  because we must one ball in each box and since the boxes are indistinguishable, it doesn't matter what order we do this in.

Our recurrence relation is,

$$a_{n,k} = \sum_{j=1}^{n-k} \binom{n}{j} a_{n-j,k-1}$$

29. Please refer back to question 11a, on page 264.

Let  $a_{n,k}$  = the number of the partitions of an integer  $n$  into  $k$  parts.

$$a_{n,k} = a_{n-1,k-1} + a_{n-k,k}$$

32.

a. Let  $a_n =$  the number of <sup>n-digit</sup> quaternary sequences with an even number of 0's. We break this down into cases involving the first digit.

i. First digit is a 3.

3 - - - ... - . We are left with an <sup>n-1 digit sequence</sup> quaternary sequence with an even number of 0's.

There are  $a_{n-1}$  of these.

ii. First digit is a 2.

2 - - - ... - . Same situation as case i. <sup>n-1 digit sequence</sup>

We get  $a_{n-1}$  n-1 digit quaternary sequences with an even number of 0's.

iii. First digit is a 1.

1 - - - ... - . Same situation as in case i and case ii. We get  $a_{n-1}$  from this. <sup>n-1 digit sequence</sup>

iv. First digit is 0.

0 - - - ... - <sup>n-1 digit sequence</sup>

We are left with an n-1 digit quaternary sequence and we require this to have an odd number of 0's.

Let  $b_n =$  the number of quaternary sequences with an odd number of 0's. For this case there are

$b_{n-1}$   $n-1$  digit quaternary sequences with an odd number of 0's.

$$a_n = 3a_{n-1} + b_{n-1}.$$

Using an argument similar to the one used for  $a_n$ , we will get

$$b_n = 3b_{n-1} + a_{n-1}.$$

If the first digit is a 1, 2, or 3, then we are left with an  $n-1$  digit quaternary sequence requiring an odd number of 0's. In each case we get  $b_{n-1}$ . This accounts for  $3b_{n-1}$  in the formula for  $b_n$ .

If the first digit is 0, then we are left with an  $n-1$  digit quaternary sequence requiring an even number of 0's. There are  $a_{n-1}$  of these.

b. Let  $a_n$  = the number of  $n$ -digit quaternary sequences with an even total number of 0's and 1's. We break this down into cases involving the first digit.

If the first digit is a 2 or 3, then we are left with an  $n-1$  digit quaternary sequence requiring an even total of 0's and 1's. In each case we get  $a_{n-1}$ , for a total of  $2a_{n-1}$ .

If the first digit is a 0 or 1, then we are left with an  $n-1$  digit quaternary sequence requiring an odd total number of 0's and 1's.

Let  $b_n$  = the number of  $n$ -digit quaternary sequences with an odd total number of 0's and 1's.

In each case we get  $b_{n-1}$  for a total of  $2b_{n-1}$ . Hence  $a_n = 2a_{n-1} + 2b_{n-1}$ .