

Suolotions for Tutorial Sheet 2 - 28.10.2024

Exercise 1. (a)

$$(1-x)^n(1+x)^n$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1-x^{n+1}}{1-x}\right) &= f(x) = 1+x+\dots+x^n \implies x \times \frac{(1-x^{n+1})-(1-x)(n+1)x^n}{(1-x)^2} = xf'(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n kx^k \\ &\implies 2 \frac{(1-2^{n+1})-(1-2)(n+1)2^n}{(1-2)^2} = (n-1)2^{n+1}+2 = 2f'(2) = \sum_{k=1}^n k2^k \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$(1+x)^n = f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k \implies xn(1+x)^{n-1} = xf'(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n k \binom{n}{k} x^k \implies n2^{n-1} = 1f'(1) = \sum_{k=0}^n k \binom{n}{k}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c), } g(x) := xf'(x) &= xn(1+x)^{n-1} \implies x^2n(n-1)(1+x)^{n-2} + xn(1+x)^{n-1} = xg'(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n k^2 \binom{n}{k} x^k \\ &\implies n(n-1)2^{n-2} + n2^{n-1} = 1g'(1) = \sum_{k=0}^n k^2 \binom{n}{k} \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 2. Coefficient x^{70} in

$$f(x) := (1+x+\dots+x^{30})(1+x+\dots+x^{40})(1+x+\dots+x^{50}) = \frac{1-x^{31}}{1-x} \frac{1-x^{41}}{1-x} \frac{1-x^{51}}{1-x} = \frac{(1-x^{31})(1-x^{41})(1-x^{51})}{(1-x)^3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (*) \quad \frac{1}{(1-x)^n} &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+k-1}{n-1} x^k \implies \frac{1}{(1-x)^3} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{k+2}{2} x^k \\ &\implies f(x) = (1-x^{31}-x^{41}-x^{51}+x^{72}+x^{82}+x^{92}-x^{123}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{k+2}{2} x^k \end{aligned}$$

So the coefficient is

$$\binom{72}{2} - \binom{41}{2} - \binom{31}{2} - \binom{21}{2}$$

Exercise 3. (a)

$$\frac{1-x^2}{1-x} \frac{1-x^4}{1-x^2} \frac{1-x^8}{1-x^4} \dots \frac{1-x^{2^{k+1}}}{1-x^{2^k}} = \frac{1-x^{2^{k+1}}}{1-x} = \sum_{n=1}^{2^{k+1}-1} x^n$$

(b)

$$* \implies 2^5 \binom{2+5-1}{2-1} = 2^5 \times 6$$

(c)

$$* \implies \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{\frac{1}{2}+k-1}{k} 2^k x^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k-\frac{1}{2})(k-\frac{1}{2}-1)\dots(k-\frac{1}{2}-(k-1))}{k!} 2^k x^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)(2k-3)\dots(1)}{k!} x^k$$

$$\xrightarrow{\times \frac{2^k k!}{2^k k!}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)!}{2^k k! k!} x^k = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{k+1} k} \binom{2k}{k} x^k$$

(d) x^4 in

$$f(x) = (x^2 - 5x + 6)^{-1} = ((x-2)(x-3))^{-1} = \frac{-1}{x-2} + \frac{1}{x-3} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}x} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}x}$$

is equal to

$$\frac{1}{2^5} - \frac{1}{3^5}$$

Exercise 4. (a) $0, 0, 0, 0, -6, 6, -6, 6, -6, \dots$

$$x^4 \frac{6}{1+x}$$

(b) $1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, \dots$

$$\frac{1}{1-x^2}$$

(c) $1, 2, 1, 4, 1, 8, \dots$

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

(d) $1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, \dots$

$$\frac{1}{1-x} - \frac{x^2}{1-x^3}$$

Exercise 5. Coefficient x^n in

$$\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right)^r$$

Exercise 6. Assume there are F_n possible sequences.

Consider the last term in the sequence. If it is 1, then there are F_{n-1} possible sequences. If it is 0, then the preceding term must be 1, giving

Exercise 7. Coefficient x^i in

$$f(x) := \frac{1}{2} [(1 + \sqrt{mx})^n + (1 - \sqrt{mx})^n]$$

for odds are 0, for evens is $m^{i/2} \binom{n}{i}$. So, $f(1)$ is an integer.