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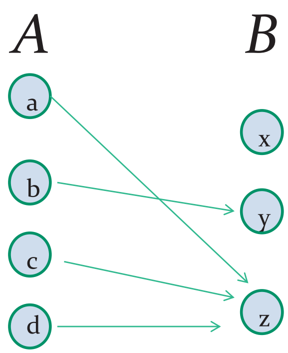
Discrete Math for Computer Science



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Announcements

- These slides on Chapt 2.3-2.4
- Read for next time Chap 13.3
- Homework 2 due on Thursday
- Recitation on Friday this week

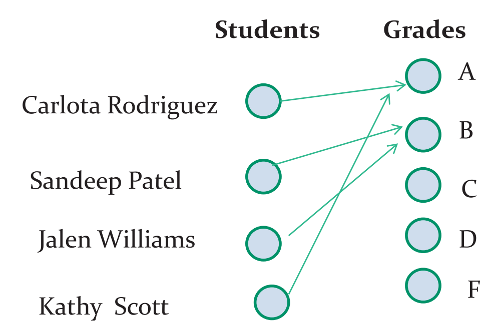
Functions

- Section 2.3

Functions

Definition: Let A and B be nonempty sets. A *function* f from A to B, denoted $f: A \to B$ is an assignment of each element of A to exactly one element of B. We write $f(a) = b$ if b is the unique element of B assigned by the function f to the element a of A.

- Functions are sometimes called *mappings* or *transformations*.



Functions

- A function $f: A \rightarrow B$ can also be defined as a subset of $A \times B$ (a relation). This subset is restricted to be a relation where no two elements of the relation have the same first element.
- Specifically, a function f from A to B contains one, and only one ordered pair (a, b) for every element $a \in A$.

$$\forall x[x \in A \rightarrow \exists y[y \in B \land (x,y) \in f]]$$

and $\forall x, y_1, y_2[[(x, y_1) \in f \land (x, y_2)] \rightarrow y_1 = y_2]$

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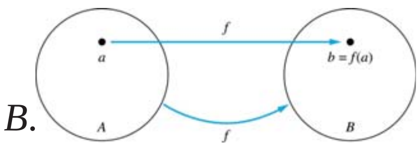

- We say f *maps* A to B *or*
  f is a *mapping* from A to B.
- A is called the *domain* of f.
- B is called the *codomain* of f.
- If $f(a) = b$,
  - then b is called the *image* of a under f.
  - a is called the *preimage* of b.
- The range of f is the set of all images of points in **A** under f. We denote it by $f(A)$.
- Two functions are *equal* when they have the same domain, the same codomain and map each element of the domain to the same element of the codomain.

Representing Functions

- Functions may be specified in different ways:
  - An explicit statement of the assignment.
    Students and grades example.
  - A formula.
    $f(x) = x + 1$
  - A computer program.
    - A Java program that when given an integer n, produces the nth Fibonacci Number (covered in the next section and also in Chapter 5).

Questions

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The image of d is ?

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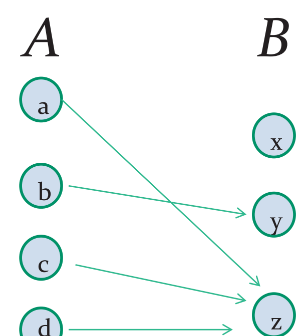
The codomain of f is ?

The preimage of y is ?



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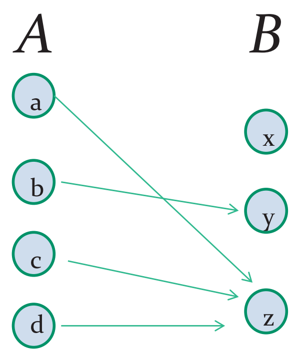

Question on Functions and Sets

- If $f : A \to B$ and S is a subset of A, then

$$f(S) = \{f(s) | s \in S\}$$

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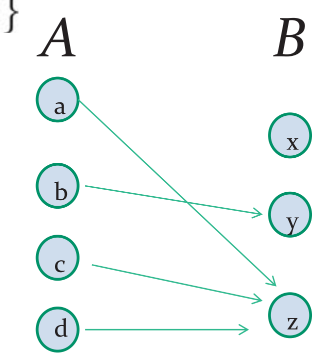

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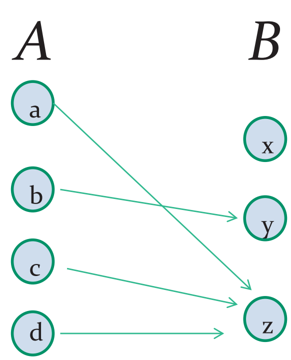
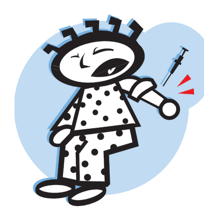
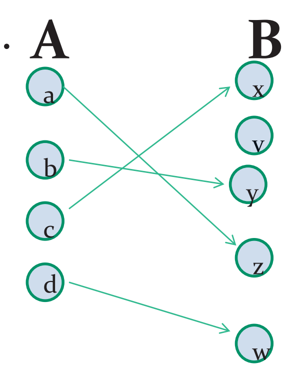


Injections

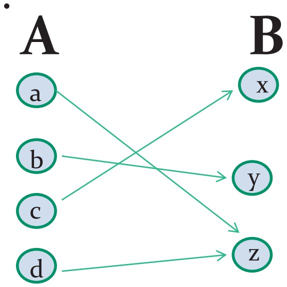
Definition: A function f is said to be *one-to-one* , or *injective*, if and only if $f(a) = f(b)$ implies that $a = b$ for all a and b in the domain of f. A function is said to be an *injection* if it is one-to-one.





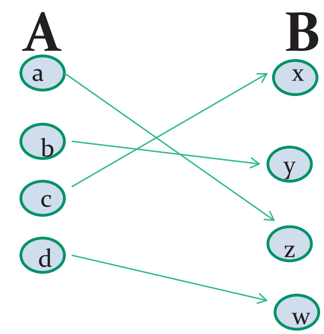
Surjections

Definition: A function *f* from *A* to *B* is called *onto* or *surjective*, if and only if for every element $a \in A$ there is an element $b \in B$ with $f(a) = b$. A function *f* is called a *surjection* if it is onto.



Bijections

Definition: A function f is a *one-to-one correspondence*, or a *bijection*, if it is both one-to-one and onto (surjective and injective).



Showing that *f* is one-to-one or onto

Suppose that $f : A \to B$.

To show that f is injective Show that if $f(x) = f(y)$ for arbitrary $x, y \in A$ with $x \neq y$, then $x = y$.

To show that f is not injective Find particular elements $x, y \in A$ such that $x \neq y$ and $f(x) = f(y)$.

To show that f is surjective Consider an arbitrary element $y \in B$ and find an element $x \in A$ such that $f(x) = y$.

To show that f is not surjective Find a particular $y \in B$ such that $f(x) \neq y$ for all $x \in A$.

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Solution: Yes, f is onto since all three elements of the codomain are images of elements in the domain. If the codomain were changed to $\{1,2,3,4\}$, f would not be onto.

Example 2: Is the function $f(x) = x^2$ from the set of integers onto?

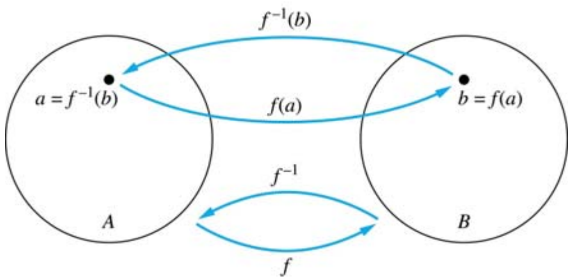
Solution: No, f is not onto because there is no integer x with $x^2 = -1$, for example.

Inverse Functions

Definition: Let f be a bijection from A to B. Then the *inverse* of f, denoted f^{-1}, is the function from B to A defined as

$$f^{-1}(y) = x \text{ iff } f(x) = y$$

No inverse exists unless f is a bijection. Why?



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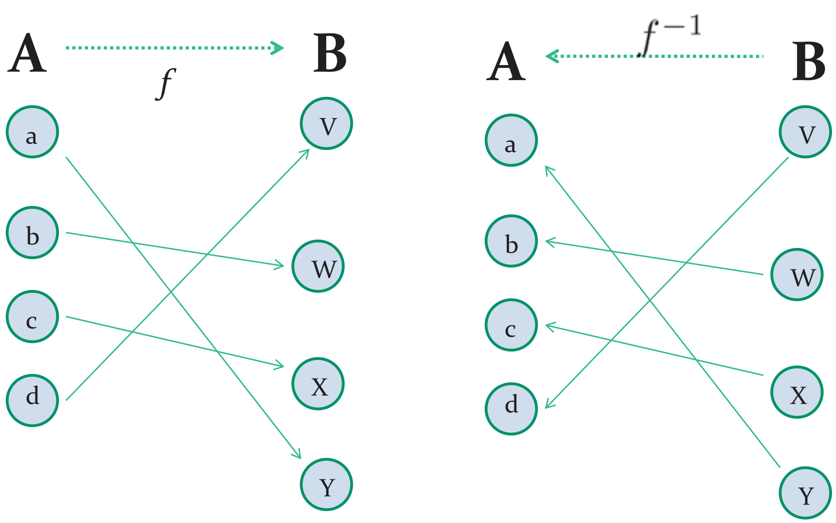

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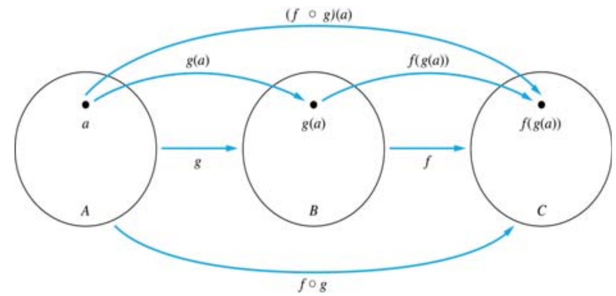
Is *f* invertible, and if so, what is its inverse?

Solution: The function *f* is not invertible because it is not one-to-one .

Composition

- **Definition**: Let *f*: *B* → *C*, *g*: *A* → *B*. The *composition of f with g*, denoted $f \circ g$ is the function from *A* to *C* defined by

$$f \circ g(x) = f(g(x))$$



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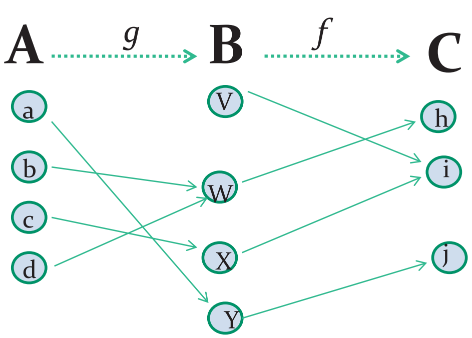

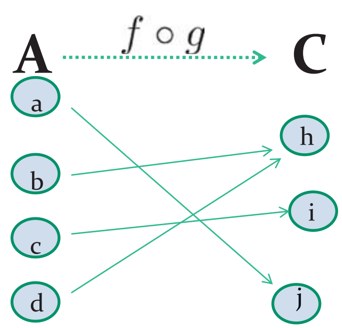

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Composition Questions

Example 2: Let g be the function from the set $\{a,b,c\}$ to itself such that $g(a) = b$, $g(b) = c$, and $g(c) = a$. Let f be the function from the set $\{a,b,c\}$ to the set $\{1,2,3\}$ such that $f(a) = 3$, $f(b) = 2$, and $f(c) = 1$.

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Solution: The composition $f \circ g$ is defined by

$f \circ g\ (a) = f(g(a)) = f(b) = 2.$

$f \circ g\ (b) = f(g(b)) = f(c) = 1.$

$f \circ g\ (c) = f(g(c)) = f(a) = 3.$

Note that $g \circ f$ is not defined, because the range of f is not a subset of the domain of g.

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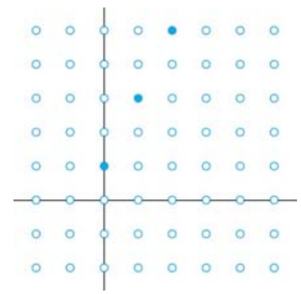
Solution:

$f \circ g\ (x) = f(g(x)) = f(3x + 2) = 2(3x + 2) + 3 = 6x + 7$

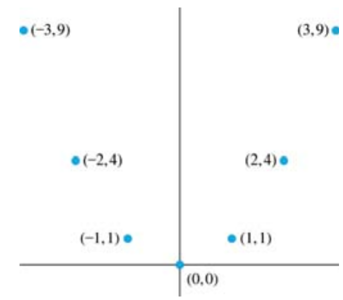
$g \circ f\ (x) = g(f(x)) = g(2x + 3) = 3(2x + 3) + 2 = 6x + 11$

Graphs of Functions

- Let f be a function from the set A to the set B. The *graph* of the function f is the set of ordered pairs $\{(a,b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } f(a) = b\}$.



Graph of $f(n) = 2n + 1$ from Z to Z



Graph of $f(x) = x^2$ from Z to Z

Some Important Functions

- The *floor* function, denoted

$$f(x) = \lfloor x \rfloor$$

is the largest integer less than or equal to x.

- The *ceiling* function, denoted

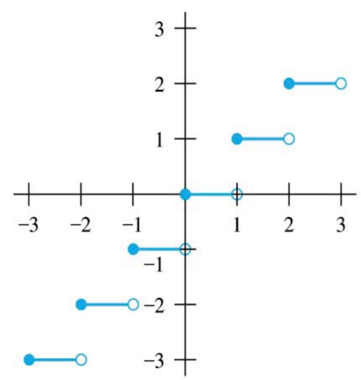
$$f(x) = \lceil x \rceil$$

is the smallest integer greater than or equal to x

Example: $\lceil 3.5 \rceil = 4$ $\quad \lfloor 3.5 \rfloor = 3$

$\lceil -1.5 \rceil = -1$ $\quad \lfloor -1.5 \rfloor = -2$

Floor and Ceiling Functions



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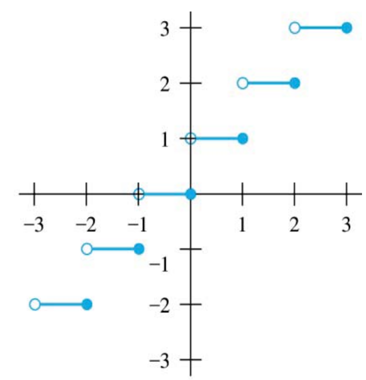

(b) $y = \lceil x \rceil$

Graph of (a) Floor and (b) Ceiling Functions

Floor and Ceiling Functions

TABLE 1 **Useful Properties of the Floor and Ceiling Functions.**
(n is an integer, x is a real number)

(1a)	$\lfloor x \rfloor = n$ if and only if $n \leq x < n + 1$
(1b)	$\lceil x \rceil = n$ if and only if $n - 1 < x \leq n$
(1c)	$\lfloor x \rfloor = n$ if and only if $x - 1 < n \leq x$
(1d)	$\lceil x \rceil = n$ if and only if $x \leq n < x + 1$
(2)	$x - 1 < \lfloor x \rfloor \leq x \leq \lceil x \rceil < x + 1$
(3a)	$\lfloor -x \rfloor = -\lceil x \rceil$
(3b)	$\lceil -x \rceil = -\lfloor x \rfloor$
(4a)	$\lfloor x + n \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + n$
(4b)	$\lceil x + n \rceil = \lceil x \rceil + n$

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Solution: Let $x = n + \varepsilon$, where n is an integer and $0 \leq \varepsilon < 1$.

Case 1: $\varepsilon < ½$

- $2x = 2n + 2\varepsilon$ and $\lfloor 2x \rfloor = 2n$, since $0 \leq 2\varepsilon < 1$.
- $\lfloor x + 1/2 \rfloor = n$, since $x + ½ = n + (1/2 + \varepsilon)$ and $0 \leq ½ + \varepsilon < 1$.
- Hence, $\lfloor 2x \rfloor = 2n$ and $\lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor x + 1/2 \rfloor = n + n = 2n$.

Case 2: $\varepsilon \geq ½$

- $2x = 2n + 2\varepsilon = (2n + 1) + (2\varepsilon - 1)$ and $\lfloor 2x \rfloor = 2n + 1$, since $0 \leq 2\varepsilon - 1 < 1$.
- $\lfloor x + 1/2 \rfloor = \lfloor n + (1/2 + \varepsilon) \rfloor = \lfloor n + 1 + (\varepsilon - 1/2) \rfloor = n + 1$ since $0 \leq \varepsilon - 1/2 < 1$.
- Hence, $\lfloor 2x \rfloor = 2n + 1$ and $\lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor x + 1/2 \rfloor = n + (n + 1) = 2n + 1$.

Factorial Function

Definition: f: $\mathbf{N} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}^+$ **,** denoted by $f(n) = n!$ is the product of the first n positive integers when n is a nonnegative integer.

$f(n) = 1 \cdot 2 \cdots (n - 1) \cdot n,$ $\quad f(0) = 0! = 1$

Examples:

$f(1) = 1! = 1$

$f(2) = 2! = 1 \cdot 2 = 2$

$f(6) = 6! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6 = 720$

$f(20) = 2{,}432{,}902{,}008{,}176{,}640{,}000.$

Stirling's Formula:

$$n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi n}(n/e)^n$$

$$f(n) \sim g(n) \doteq lim_{n \to \infty} f(n)/g(n) = 1$$

Partial Functions

Definition: A *partial function* f from a set A to a set B is an assignment to each element a in a subset of A**,** called the *domain of definition* of f, of a unique element b in B.

- The sets A and B are called the *domain* and *codomain* of f, respectively.
- We day that f is *undefined* for elements in A that are not in the domain of definition of f.
- When the domain of definition of f equals A, we say that f is a *total function*.

Example: f: $\mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ where $f(n) = \sqrt{n}$ is a partial function from **Z** to **R** where the domain of definition is the set of nonnegative integers. Note that f is undefined for negative integers.

Sequences and Summations

- Section 2.4

Introduction

- Sequences are ordered lists of elements.
  - 1, 2, 3, 5, 8
  - 1, 3, 9, 27, 81, …….
- Sequences arise throughout mathematics, computer science, and in many other disciplines, ranging from botany to music.
- We will introduce the terminology to represent sequences and sums of the terms in the sequences.

Sequences

Definition: A *sequence* is a function from a subset of the integers (usually either the set {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, …..} or {1, 2, 3, 4, ….}) to a set S.

- The notation a_n is used to denote the image of the integer n. We can think of a_n as the equivalent of $f(n)$ where f is a function from {0,1,2,…..} to S. We call a_n a *term* of the sequence.

Sequences

Example: Consider the sequence $\{a_n\}$ where

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n} \qquad \{a_n\} = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \ldots\}$$

$$1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4} \ldots$$

Geometric Progression

Definition: A *geometric progression* is a sequence of the form: $a, ar, ar^2, \ldots, ar^n, \ldots$

where the *initial term a* and the *common ratio r* are real numbers.

Examples:

1. Let $a = 1$ and $r = -1$. Then:
2. Let $a = 2$ and $r = 5$. Then:
3. Let $a = 6$ and $r = 1/3$. Then:

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1. Let $a = 1$ and $r = -1$. Then:

   $$\{b_n\} = \{b_0, b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, \ldots\} = \{1, -1, 1, -1, 1, \ldots\}$$

2. Let $a = 2$ and $r = 5$. Then:

   $$\{c_n\} = \{c_0, c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, \ldots\} = \{2, 10, 50, 250, 1250, \ldots\}$$

3. Let $a = 6$ and $r = 1/3$. Then:

   $$\{d_n\} = \{d_0, d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4, \ldots\} = \{6, 2, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{9}, \frac{2}{27}, \ldots\}$$

Arithmetic Progression

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Examples:

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2. Let $a = 7$ and $d = -3$:
3. Let $a = 1$ and $d = 2$:

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$$\{s_n\} = \{s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, \ldots\} = \{-1, 3, 7, 11, 15, \ldots\}$$

2. Let $a = 7$ and $d = -3$:

$$\{t_n\} = \{t_0, t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, \ldots\} = \{7, 4, 1, -2, -5, \ldots\}$$

3. Let $a = 1$ and d = 2:

$$\{u_n\} = \{u_0, u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, \ldots\} = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, \ldots\}$$

Strings

Definition: A *string* is a finite sequence of characters from a finite set (an alphabet).

- Sequences of characters or bits are important in computer science.
- The *empty string* is represented by λ.
- The string *abcde* has *length* 5.

Recurrence Relations

Definition: A *recurrence relation* for the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is an equation that expresses a_n in terms of one or more of the previous terms of the sequence, namely, $a_0, a_1, \ldots, a_{n-1}$, for all integers n with $n \geq n_0$, where n_0 is a nonnegative integer.

- A sequence is called a *solution* of a recurrence relation if its terms satisfy the recurrence relation.
- The *initial conditions* for a sequence specify the terms that precede the first term where the recurrence relation takes effect.

Questions about Recurrence Relations

Example 1: Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence that satisfies the recurrence relation $a_n = a_{n-1} + 3$ for $n = 1,2,3,4,\ldots$. and suppose that $a_0 = 2$. What are a_1, a_2 and a_3?
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Solution: We see from the recurrence relation that

$$a_1 = a_0 + 3 = 2 + 3 = 5$$
$$a_2 = 5 + 3 = 8$$
$$a_3 = 8 + 3 = 11$$

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Solution: We see from the recurrence relation that

$$a_2 = a_1 - a_0 = 5 - 3 = 2$$
$$a_3 = a_2 - a_1 = 2 - 5 = -3$$

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Solving Recurrence Relations

Finding a formula for the nth term of the sequence generated by a recurrence relation is called *solving the recurrence relation*.

Such a formula is called a *closed formula*.

Various methods for solving recurrence relations will be covered in Chapter 8 where recurrence relations will be studied in greater depth.

Here we illustrate by example the method of iteration in which we need to guess the formula. The guess can be proved correct by the method of induction (Chapter 5).

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- $\ldots$
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&\quad . \\
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Financial Application

Example: Suppose that a person deposits \$10,000.00 in a savings account at a bank yielding 11% per year with interest compounded annually. How much will be in the account after 30 years?

Let P_n denote the amount in the account after 30 years. P_n satisfies the following recurrence relation:

$$P_n = P_{n-1} + 0.11 P_{n-1} = (1.11)\, P_{n-1}$$

with the initial condition $P_0 = 10{,}000$

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$P_n = (1.11)^n\ 10{,}000$ (Can prove by induction, covered in Chapter 5)

$P_{30} = (1.11)^{30}\ 10{,}000 = \$228{,}992.97$

Special Integer Sequences

Given a few terms of a sequence, try to identify the sequence. Conjecture a formula, recurrence relation, or some other rule.

Some questions to ask?

- Are there repeated terms of the same value?
- Can you obtain a term from the previous term by adding an amount or multiplying by an amount?
- Can you obtain a term by combining the previous terms in some way?
- Are they cycles among the terms?
- Do the terms match those of a well known sequence?

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Solution: Note that the denominators are powers of 2. The sequence with $a_n = 1/2^n$ is a possible match. This is a geometric progression with $a = 1$ and $r = ½$.

Example 2: Consider 1,3,5,7,9

Solution: Note that each term is obtained by adding 2 to the previous term. A possible formula is $a_n = 2n + 1$. This is an arithmetic progression with $a = 1$ and $d = 2$.

Example 3: 1, -1, 1, -1,1

Solution: The terms alternate between 1 and -1. A possible sequence is $a_n = (-1)^n$. This is a geometric progression with $a = 1$ and $r = -1$.

Useful Sequences

TABLE 1 Some Useful Sequences.

nth Term	*First 10 Terms*
n^2	1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81, 100, . . .
n^3	1, 8, 27, 64, 125, 216, 343, 512, 729, 1000, . . .
n^4	1, 16, 81, 256, 625, 1296, 2401, 4096, 6561, 10000, . . .
2^n	2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024, . . .
3^n	3, 9, 27, 81, 243, 729, 2187, 6561, 19683, 59049, . . .
$n!$	1, 2, 6, 24, 120, 720, 5040, 40320, 362880, 3628800, . . .
f_n	1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, . . .

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Solution: Note the ratio of each term to the previous approximates 3. So now compare with the sequence 3^n. We notice that the nth term is 2 less than the corresponding power of 3. So a good conjecture is that $a_n = 3^n - 2$.

Summations

Sum of the terms $a_m, a_{m+1}, \ldots, a_n$
from the sequence $\{a_n\}$
The notation:

$$\sum_{j=m}^{n} a_j \quad \sum\nolimits_{j=m}^{n} a_j \quad \sum\nolimits_{m \le j \le n} a_j$$

represents

$$a_m + a_{m+1} + \cdots + a_n$$

The variable j is called the *index of summation*. It runs through all the integers starting with its *lower limit* m and ending with its *upper limit* n.

Summations

- More generally for a set *S*:

$$\sum\nolimits_{j \in S} a_j$$

- **Examples**:

$$r^0 + r^1 + r^2 + r^3 + \cdots + r^n = \sum_{0}^{n} r^j$$

$$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \cdots = \sum_{1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i}$$

If $S = \{2, 5, 7, 10\}$ then $\sum_{j \in S} a_j = a_2 + a_5 + a_7 + a_{10}$

Product Notation

Product of the terms $a_m, a_{m+1}, \ldots, a_n$
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The notation:

$$\prod_{j=m}^{n} a_j \qquad \prod\nolimits_{j=m}^{n} a_j \qquad \prod\nolimits_{m \le j \le n} a_j$$

represents $a_m \times a_{m+1} \times \cdots \times a_n$

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- $a_3 = a_2 + 5$
- …
- $a_k = a_{k-1} + (2k - 1)$
- …
- $a_n = a_{n-1} + (2n - 1)$

Example solve (cont)

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- $a_n = a_{n-1} + 2n - 1$
- $= [a_{n-2} + 2(n-1) - 1] + 2n - 1$
- $= a_{n-2} + 4n - 4$
- $= [a_{n-3} + 2(n-2) - 1] + 4n - 4$
- $= a_{n-3} + 6n - 9$
- …
- $= a_{n-k} + 2kn - k^2$
- …
- $= a_1 + 2(n-1)n - (n-1)^2 = n^2$

Some Useful Summation Formulae

TABLE 2 Some Useful Summation Formulae.

Sum	*Closed Form*
$\sum_{k=0}^{n} ar^k \ (r \neq 0)$	$\frac{ar^{n+1} - a}{r - 1}, r \neq 1$
$\sum_{k=1}^{n} k$	$\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$
$\sum_{k=1}^{n} k^2$	$\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$
$\sum_{k=1}^{n} k^3$	$\frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}$
$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k, \lvert x \rvert < 1$	$\frac{1}{1-x}$
$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} kx^{k-1}, \lvert x \rvert < 1$	$\frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$

Geometric Series: We just proved this.

Later we will prove some of these by induction.

Proof in text (requires calculus)