

Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science, 27 October 2017
Solutions/Correction standard

1. Basis step for $n = 0$, $n = 1$ and $n = 2$:

$$a_0 = 1 \leq \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^0, \quad a_1 = 2 \leq \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^1 \quad \text{and} \quad a_2 = 7 \leq \frac{64}{9} \leq \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^2.$$

Induction step:

Let $k \geq 2$ and suppose that: $a_p \leq \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^p$ for all $0 \leq p \leq k$ (Induction Hypothesis: IH).

We must show that IH implies: $a_{k+1} \leq \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^{k+1}$.

Well, we have: $a_{k+1} = 2a_k + a_{k-1} + 2a_{k-2}$,

and by IH this is less than or equal to $2 \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^k + \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^{k-1} + 2 \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^{k-2}$.

So it suffices to show that: $2 \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^k + \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^{k-1} + 2 \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^{k-2} \leq \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^{k+1}$.

Dividing both sides by $\left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^{k-2}$ yields: $2 \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^2 + \left[\frac{8}{3}\right] + 2 \leq \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^3$,

which is obviously true since: $2 \cdot \frac{64}{9} + \frac{8}{3} + 2 = \frac{510}{27} \leq \frac{512}{27} = \left[\frac{8}{3}\right]^3$.

2. Suppose that f is onto and $g \circ f$ is one-to-one.

Let $b_1, b_2 \in B$ be such that $g(b_1) = g(b_2)$. We must show that $b_1 = b_2$.

Well, since f is onto, there exist $a_1, a_2 \in A$ with $f(a_1) = b_1$ and $f(a_2) = b_2$.

Then we have $(g \circ f)(a_1) = g(f(a_1)) = g(b_1) = g(b_2) = g(f(a_2)) = (g \circ f)(a_2)$.

So $(g \circ f)(a_1) = (g \circ f)(a_2)$. Now $g \circ f$ is one-to-one implies that $a_1 = a_2$.

So $b_1 = f(a_1) = f(a_2) = b_2$. Hence g is one-to-one.

3. (i) R is reflexive since $(a, b)R(a, b)$ for all $(a, b) \in A$, because $a + b = b + a$.

(ii) R is symmetric since for all $(a, b), (c, d) \in A$, $(a, b)R(c, d)$ implies $(c, d)R(a, b)$, because if $a + d = b + c$, then also $c + b = d + a$.

(iii) R is transitive since for all $(a, b), (c, d), (e, f) \in A$, $(a, b)R(c, d)$ and $(c, d)R(e, f)$ implies $(a, b)R(e, f)$, because if both $a + d = b + c$ and $c + f = d + e$, then $a + c + d + f = b + c + d + e$. So $a + f = b + e$.

(iv) The blocks of the partition of A induced by R are the equivalence classes of R .

We have:

$$[(0, 0)] = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 2)\} = [(1, 1)] = [(2, 2)]; \quad [(0, 1)] = \{(0, 1), (1, 2)\} = [(1, 2)];$$

$$[(0, 2)] = \{(0, 2)\}; \quad [(1, 0)] = \{(1, 0), (2, 1)\} = [(2, 1)] \quad \text{and} \quad [(2, 0)] = \{(2, 0)\}.$$

So the partition is: $\{[(0, 0)], [(0, 1)], [(0, 2)], [(2, 1)], [(2, 0)]\}$

$$= \{\{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 2)\}, \{(0, 1), (1, 2)\}, \{(0, 2)\}, \{(1, 0), (2, 1)\}, \{(2, 0)\}\}.$$