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1. Find the general solution to the advancement operator equation:

$$(A+2)^3(A-5)^2(A+4)f(n) = 0$$

$$f(n) = C_1(-2)^n + C_2n(-2)^n + C_3n^2(-2)^n + C_45^n + C_5n5^n + C_6(-4)^n$$

2. Find the solution to the advancement operator equation:

$$(A^2 + 2A - 15)f(n) = 0, \quad f(0) = 1 \text{ and } f(1) = -61.$$

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$$A^2 + 2A - 15 = (A+5)(A-3)$$

$$f(n) = C_1(-5)^n + C_23^n$$

$$C_1 + C_2 = 1 \quad C_2 = -7$$

$$-5C_1 + 3C_2 = -61 \quad C_1 = 8$$

$$8C_2 = -56$$

$$f(n) = 8(-5)^n - 7 \cdot 3^n$$

3. Find a particular solution to the advancement operator equation:

$$(A-4)f(n) = 5 \cdot 3^n$$

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$$f(n) = C \cdot 3^n$$

$$C = -5$$

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$$C \cdot 3^{n+1} - 4C \cdot 3^n = 5 \cdot 3^n$$

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4. Write the inclusion/exclusion formula for the number of onto functions from  $\{1, 2, \dots, m\}$  to  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Then calculate the answer when  $m = 8$  and  $n = 3$ .

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$$\sum_{k=0}^m (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} (n-k)^m = 3^8 - 3 \cdot 2^8 + 3 \cdot 1^8$$

$$\binom{3}{0} 3^8 - \binom{3}{1} 2^8 + \binom{3}{2} 1^8$$

5. Write the inclusion/exclusion formula for the number of derangements on  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Then evaluate the formula when  $n = 7$ .

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$$\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} (n-k)! = \binom{7}{0} 7! - \binom{7}{1} 6! + \binom{7}{2} 5! - \binom{7}{3} 4! + \binom{7}{4} 3! - \binom{7}{5} 2! + \binom{7}{6} 1! - \binom{7}{7} 0!$$

$$= 21 \cdot 120 - 35 \cdot 24 + 35 \cdot 6 - 21 \cdot 2 + 7 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot 1$$

6. Let  $n$  be an integer with  $n \geq 2$  and let  $n = p_1^{m_1} p_2^{m_2} \dots p_k^{m_k}$  be the factorization of  $n$  into primes. Write the inclusion/exclusion formula for the Euler function  $\phi(n)$ . Then use this formula to find  $\phi(90)$ .

$$\phi(n) = n \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_2}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_k}\right)$$

$$90 = 2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5$$

$$\phi(90) = 90 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) = \cancel{90} \cdot \cancel{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \cancel{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot \cancel{\frac{4}{5}} = 24$$

7. Use generating functions to prove that for every  $n \geq 1$ , the number of partitions of  $n$  into odd parts is equal to the number of partitions of  $n$  into distinct parts.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (1+x)(1+x^2)(1+x^3)(1+x^4)(1+x^5) \dots \\
 (10) \quad & = \frac{1}{1-x} \cdot \frac{1}{1-x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1-x^3} \cdot \frac{1}{1-x^4} \cdot \frac{1}{1-x^5} \cdots \\
 & = \frac{1}{1-x} \cdot \frac{1}{1-x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1-x^3} \cdot \frac{1}{1-x^4} \cdots \\
 & = (1+x+x^2+x^3+\dots)(1+x^3+x^4+x^5+\dots)(1+x^5+x^6+x^7+\dots) \cdots
 \end{aligned}$$

First function is generating function for # of partitions into distinct parts  
last " " " " " " " " odd parts

8. a. Calculate  $\binom{\frac{1}{2}}{3}$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2} \cdot (\frac{1}{2}-1) \cdot (\frac{1}{2}-2)}{\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot 3} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \cdot (-\frac{1}{2}) \cdot (-\frac{3}{2})}{6} = \frac{1}{16}$$

b. Write the general form of the binomial theorem:

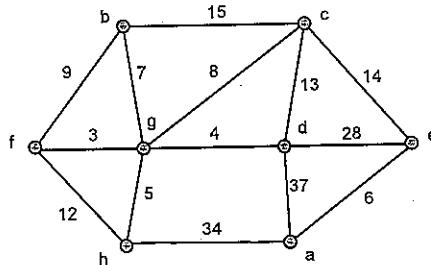
$$(1+x)^p = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{p}{n} x^n$$

c. Let  $(1-4x)^{-1/2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ . What is the coefficient  $a_n$  in this generating function?

d. Write the identity that results from squaring the series from part c and equating coefficients with the geometric series for  $1/(1-4x)$ :

$$4^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{2k}{k} \binom{2n-2k}{n-k}$$

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In the space below, list *in order* the edges which make up a minimum weight spanning tree using, respectively Kruskal's Algorithm (avoid cycles) and Prim's Algorithm (build tree). For Prim, use vertex  $a$  as the root.

Kruskal's Algorithm

f	g	3
g	d	4
g	h	5
a	e	6
g	b	7
g	c	8
c	e	14

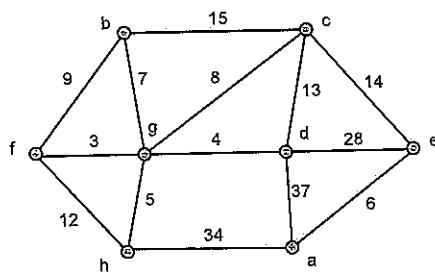
Prim's Algorithm

a	e	6
c	e	14
c	g	8
f	g	3
g	d	4
g	h	5
g	b	7

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For the graph shown above, traffic is allowed to flow in either direction on the edges. Carry out Dijkstra's algorithm to find shortest paths from node a to all other nodes.