

Midterm SolutionsProblem 1:**a)**

f is one-to-one: Need to prove that $f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$.

$$10x_1 - 30 = 10x_2 - 30 \Rightarrow 10x_1 = 10x_2 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

(adding 30 on both sides and then dividing by 10 on both sides)

$\therefore f$ is one-to-one

f is onto: need to prove that $\forall y \in R, \exists x \in R, \text{ such that } f(x) = y$.

Let $y \in R$. Take $x = \frac{y+30}{10}$, which is a real number.

$$f(x) = 10x - 30 = 10 \frac{y+30}{10} - 30 = y + 30 - 30 = y.$$

$\therefore f$ is onto.

$$f^{-1}(y) = \frac{y+30}{10}.$$

b)

g is not one-to-one because $g(-1) = g(1) = 2$, but $-1 \neq 1$.

g is not onto because for all $x \in R, g(x) > 0$, and thus for $y = -1$, there is no $x \in R$ where $g(x) = y$ because $-1 < 0$.

Problem 2:

a) No, it's not. Consider an example where $n = 5$.

$$3^n + 2 \Rightarrow 3^5 + 2 = 245 \text{ which is also divisible by 5, and thus not a prime number}$$

b)

Basis: for $n = 0$. Prove that $f(0) = 3^{0+1} - 1$. $f(0) = 2$ by definition. Also, $3^{0+1} - 1 = 3 - 1 = 2$. Therefore, $f(0) = 3^{0+1} - 1$.

Induction step: Assume that the statement is true for $n - 1$, i. e., we have $f(n - 1) = 3^n - 1$.

We need to prove that $f(n + 1) = 3^{n+1} - 1$.

$f(n) = 3 f(n - 1) + 2$ by definition of f

$f(n) = 3 (3^n - 1) + 2$ (substituting for $f(n - 1)$ from I.H.)

$$= 3 * 3^n - 3 + 2$$

$$= 3^{n+1} - 1 \quad Q.E.D$$

$\therefore f(n) = 3^{n+1} - 1$ is true for all non - negative integers n .

Problem 3:

a)

General solution for equation of the form $x_n = ax_{n-1} + f(n)$ is

$$x_n = Aa^n + \widehat{x}_n$$

Step 1: $a = 6$ and $\widehat{x}_n = kn + l$. Plug $kn + l$ into the recurrence relation to find k and l .

$$kn + l = 6(k(n - 1) + l) + 2n - 3$$

$$kn + l = 6kn - 6k + 6l + 2n - 3$$

$$kn + l = n(6k + 2) - 6k + 6l - 3$$

Therefore, $k = 6k + 2$ and $l = -6k + 6l - 3$.

$$k = 6k + 2 \Rightarrow k = -\frac{2}{5}$$

$$l = -6k + 6l - 3 \Rightarrow -5l = \frac{12}{5} - 3 \Rightarrow l = \frac{3}{25}$$

$$\widehat{x}_n = -\frac{2}{5}n + \frac{3}{25}$$

$$\text{Step 2: } x_0 = A * 6^0 - \frac{2}{5} * 0 + \frac{3}{25}$$

$$1 = A + \frac{3}{25} \Rightarrow A = \frac{22}{25}$$

$$\therefore x_n = \frac{22}{25}6^n - \frac{2}{5}n + \frac{3}{25}$$

b)

General solution is of the form: $x_n = As_1^n + Bs_2^n + \widehat{x}_n$

Step 1: $a = 7, b = -10, c = 4$

Step 2: Characteristic equation: $x^2 - 7x + 10 = 0$, solving for roots of this equation:

$$x^2 - 2x - 5x + 10 = 0 \Rightarrow (x - 2)(x - 5) = 0.$$

\therefore roots: $s_1 = 2, s_2 = 5$

Step 3: $\widehat{x}_n = \frac{c}{1 - b - a}, b - a \neq 1$

$$\widehat{x}_n = \frac{4}{1 - 10} - 7 = \frac{4}{4}$$

$$\widehat{x}_n = 1$$

Step 4: $x_0 = A * 2^0 + B * 5^0 + \widehat{x}_0 \Rightarrow A + B + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow A = -B - 1$

$$x_1 = A * 2^1 + B * 5^1 + \widehat{x}_1 \Rightarrow 2A + 5B + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow 2A + 5B = 0$$

Solving for A and B in the above equations:

$$\Rightarrow 2(-B - 1) + 5B = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3B - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow B = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$A = -B - 1 = -\frac{2}{3} - 1 = -\frac{5}{3}$$

$$\therefore x_n = \left(-\frac{5}{3}\right)2^n + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)5^n + 1$$

Problem 4:

a) Order does not matter and repetitions are not allowed.

$${}_{12}C_5 = \frac{12!}{(12 - 5)!5!} = \frac{12!}{7!5!}$$

b) For the first place there are ${}_{8}C_2$

For the second place there are ${}_{6}C_3$

For the rest, there are $3!$

$$\therefore \text{no. of ways} = 8C_2 * 6C_3 * 3! = \frac{8!}{(8-2)!(2)!} \left(\frac{(6)!}{(6-3)!(3)!} \right) 3! = \frac{8!}{2!3!}$$

c)

- Let A be Positive integers ≤ 400 divisible by 4, $A = \{4k \mid 1 \leq k \leq 400/4\} \Rightarrow |A| = 100$
- Let B be positive integers ≤ 400 divisible by 10, $B = \{10l \mid 1 \leq l \leq 400/10\} \Rightarrow |B| = 40$
- Let C be the positive integers ≤ 400 divisible by 4 and 10, Since LCM (4,10) = 20, we get,

$$C = A \cap B = \{20m \mid 1 \leq m \leq \frac{400}{20}\} \Rightarrow |C| = 20$$

- Positive integers ≤ 400 divisible by 4 or 10 is $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$
 $= 100 + 40 - 20 = 120$
- Positive integers ≤ 400 which are neither divisible by 4 nor 10: $400 - |A \cup B|$
 $= 400 - 120 = 280$