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Concrete mathematics
Конкретная математика

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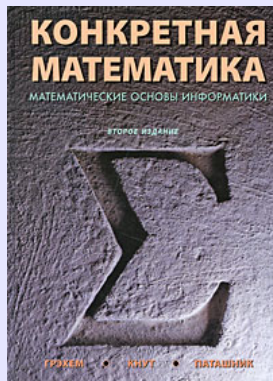
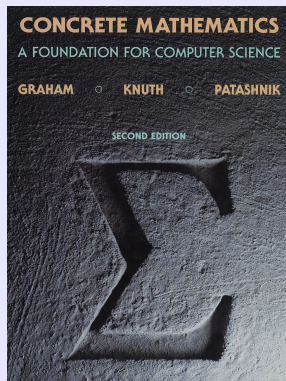
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CONtinuous + disCRETE MATHEMATICS



The book



<http://www-cs-faculty.stanford.edu/~uno/gkp.html>



Concrete Mathematics is ...

- the controlled manipulation of mathematical formulas
- using a collection of techniques for solving problems

Goals of the book:

- to introduce the mathematics that supports advanced computer programming and the analysis of algorithms
- to provide a solid and relevant base of mathematical skills - the skills needed
 - to solve complex problems
 - to evaluate horrendous sums
 - to discover subtle patterns in data



Our additional goals

- to get acquainted with well-known and popular literature in CS and Math
- to develop mathematical skills, formulating complex problems mathematically
- to practice presentation of results (solutions of mathematical problems)



Contents of the Book

Chapters:

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- 1 The Tower of Hanoi
- 2 Lines in the Plane
- 3 The Josephus Problem



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2. Sums

- 1 Notation
- 2 Sums and Recurrences
- 3 Manipulation of Sums
- 4 Multiple Sums
- 5 General Methods
- 6 Finite and Infinite Calculus
- 7 Infinite Sums



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3. Integer Functions

- 1 Floors and Ceilings
- 2 Floor/Ceiling Applications
- 3 Floor/Ceiling Recurrences
- 4 'mod': The Binary Operation
- 5 Floor/Ceiling Sums



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4. Number Theory

- 1 Divisibility
- 2 Factorial Factors
- 3 Relative Primality
- 4 'mod': The Congruence Relation
- 5 Independent Residues
- 6 Additional Applications
- 7 Phi and Mu



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5. Binomial Coefficients

- 1 Basic Identities
- 2 Basic Practice
- 3 Tricks of the Trade
- 4 Generating Functions
- 5 Hypergeometric Functions
- 6 Hypergeometric Transformations
- 7 Partial Hypergeometric Sums
- 8 Mechanical Summation



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6. Special Numbers

- 1 Stirling Numbers
- 2 Eulerian Numbers
- 3 Harmonic Numbers
- 4 Harmonic Summation
- 5 Bernoulli Numbers
- 6 Fibonacci Numbers
- 7 Continuants



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7. Generating Functions

- 1 Domino Theory and Change
- 2 Basic Maneuvers
- 3 Solving Recurrences
- 4 Special Generating Functions
- 5 Convolutions
- 6 Exponential Generating Functions
- 7 Dirichlet Generating Functions



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8. Discrete Probability

- 1 Definitions
- 2 Mean and Variance
- 3 Probability Generating Functions
- 4 Flipping Coins
- 5 Hashing



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9. Asymptotics

- 1 A Hierarchy
- 2 \mathcal{O} Notation
- 3 \mathcal{O} Manipulation
- 4 Two Asymptotic Tricks
- 5 Euler's Summation Formula
- 6 Final Summations



Pedagogical dilemma: what to teach?

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About the choice: sums + recurrences + generating functions



Recurrent problems

Recurrent equation

A number sequence $\langle a_n \rangle = \langle a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots \rangle$ is called **recurrent**, if its general term together with k preceding terms satisfies a **recurrent equation**

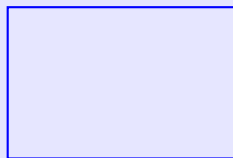
$$a_n = g(a_{n-1}, \dots, a_{n-k}),$$

for every $n > k$, where the function $g : \mathbb{N}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ (or $g : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$). The constant k is called **order** of the recurrent equation (or *difference equation*).

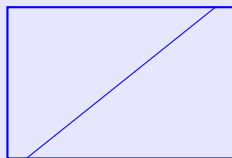
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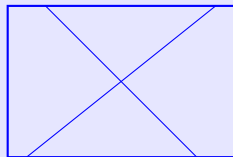
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$$Q_1 = 2$$



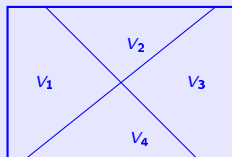
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In general: $Q_n = 2^n$?



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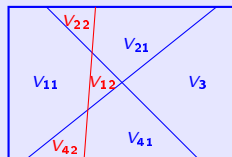
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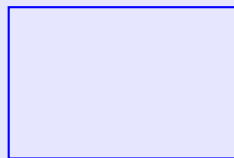
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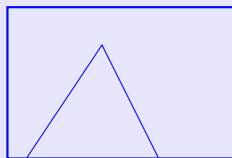
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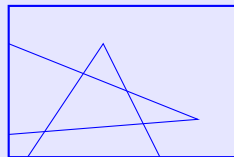
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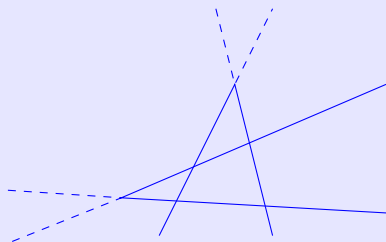
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$$T_4 = Q_8 - 2 \cdot 4 = 37 - 8 = 29$$

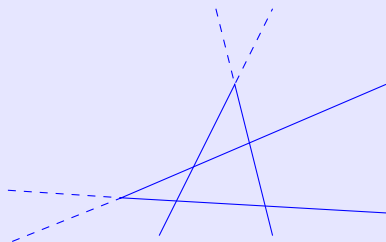
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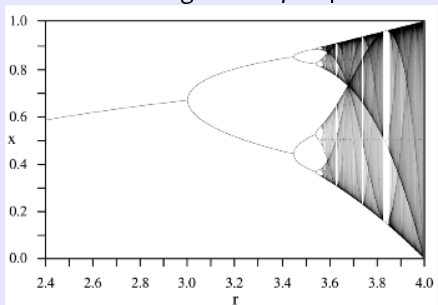
Recurrent equation:

$$x_{n+1} = rx_n(1 - x_n)$$

Solution for $r = 4$:

$$x_{n+1} = \sin^2(2^n \theta \pi)$$

where $\theta = \frac{1}{\pi} \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{x_0})$



ad hoc techniques: Guess and Confirm

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