

# Advanced Counting Techniques

Many counting problems cannot be solved by the previous counting techniques.

Example: How many bit strings of length  $n$  do not contain 2 consecutive 0's?

Answer:  $a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$ ,  $a_1 = 2$ ,  $a_2 = 3$ .

The answer is a recurrence relation.

Example: Compound interest at 7%.

$$P_n = P_{n-1} + 0.07P_{n-1} = 1.07P_{n-1}$$
$$P_n = (1.07)^n P_0$$

The Tower of Hanoi: The problem of moving  $n$  disks from one peg to another peg, one at a time, via a third peg in such a way that no disk is on top of a smaller one. Let  $H_n$  be a minimum number of moves needed to solve the problem.

We can summarize the solution as follows:

- move  $n - 1$  top disks from peg 1 to 2
- move the largest disk from peg 1 to peg 3
- move  $n - 1$  disks from peg 2 to 3

Thus we have

$$H_n = H_{n-1} + 1 + H_{n-1}$$

$$H_n = 2H_{n-1} + 1$$

$$H_n = 2(2H_{n-2} + 1) + 1 = 2^2H_{n-2} + 2 + 1$$

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$$H_n = 2^{n-1}H_1 + 2^{n-2} + 2^{n-3} + \dots + 1$$

$$H_n = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 2^i = 2^n - 1$$

Example: How many bit strings of length  $n$  do not contain 2 consecutive 0's?

Answer: Denote by  $a_n$  the number of such strings. We will try to relate  $a_n$  with  $a_{n-1}$  and  $a_{n-2}$ .

Case 1: If the string begins with a 1 then it can be followed by  $a_{n-1}$  strings that do not contain 2 consecutive 0's.

Case 2: If the string begins with a 0 then the next bit must be 1, and it can be followed by  $a_{n-2}$  strings that do not contain 2 consecutive 0's.

Therefore:  $a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}$ , the initial conditions are easily found:  $a_1 = 2$  and  $a_2 = 3$ .

Example: How many strings of  $n$  decimal digits (0-9) contain an even number of 0's?

Answer: Let  $a_n$  denote the number of such strings.

Hence

$$a_1 = 9.$$

$$a_2 = 9 \cdot 9 + 1 = 82$$

Case 1: Take a valid string length  $n - 1$  and append a digit  $\neq 0$  (there are 9):

There are:  $9a_{n-1}$  such strings.

Case 2: Take a non-valid string length  $n - 1$  and append a 0:

There are:  $(10^{n-1} - a_{n-1})$  such strings.

The total is:  $a_n = 10^{n-1} - a_{n-1} + 9a_{n-1} = 8a_{n-1} + 10^{n-1}$ .

Problems:

1. How many bit strings of length  $n$  do not contain 00?
2. How many bit strings of length  $n$  contain 00?
3. How many bit strings of length 7 either begin with 00 or (inclusive or) end with 111?
4. How many bit strings of length 10 either have 5 consecutive 0's or 5 consecutive 1's?

# Solving Linear Recurrences

## Linear homogeneous recurrences

Linear homogeneous recurrence relation of degree  $k$  with constant coefficients:

$$a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + \dots + c_k a_{n-k}$$

where  $c_1, \dots, c_k$  are real numbers with  $c_k \neq 0$ .

Characteristic equation:

$$r^k - c_1 r^{k-1} - \dots - c_{k-1} r - c_k = 0.$$

For example, solve  $a_n - 5a_{n-1} + 8a_{n-2} - 4a_{n-3} = 0$  with proper initial conditions.

## Method:

1. Find the characteristic equation for the homogeneous recurrence.
2. Solve the characteristic equation for the roots  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k$ .

There are two cases:

Case 1 If all the roots are distinct, then the solution is of the form:

$$C_1 r_1^n + C_2 r_2^n + \dots + C_k r_k^n$$

Case 2 If some roots are the same,

for example, three roots with  $r_1 = r_2 = r_3 = r$   
then the solution is  $C_1 r^n + C_2 n r^n + C_3 n^2 r^n$ .

If the three roots are  $r_1, r_2 = r_3 = r$

then the solution is  $C_1 r_1^n + C_2 r^n + C_3 n r^n$ .

If the three roots are  $r_1 = r_2 = r, r_3$

then the solution is  $C_1 r^n + C_2 n r^n + C_3 r_3^n$ .



## Examples

Example 1. Solve  $a_n - 3a_{n-1} - 4a_{n-2} = 0, n \geq 2,$   
 $a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1$

Solution. The characteristic equation is  $r^2 - 3r - 4 = 0$   
which has roots  $r_1 = -1, r_2 = 4$  which are distinct, so  
use Case 1:

$$a_n = C_1(-1)^n + C_2(4)^n.$$

Using the initial conditions we obtain

$$a_0 = 0 = C_1 + C_2$$

$$a_1 = 1 = -C_1 + 4C_2.$$

Solving the system above yields  $C_1 = -1/5$  and  $C_2 = 1/5$ , thus

$$a_n = \frac{(-1)^{n+1} + 4^n}{5}.$$

Example 2. Solve

$$a_n - 5a_{n-1} + 8a_{n-2} - 4a_{n-3} = 0,$$

$$n \geq 3, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1, a_2 = 2.$$

Solution. Characteristic equation:  $r^3 - 5r^2 + 8r - 4 = 0$ .

We find one root  $r = 1$ . We factor the equation

$r^3 - 5r^2 + 8r - 4 = 0$  by dividing the left side by  $r - 1$

$$\Rightarrow (r - 1)(r - 2)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow r_1 = 1(\text{multiplicity} = 1), r_2 =$$

$2(\text{multiplicity} = 2)$ . It's Case 2.

Therefore,  $a_n = C_1 1^n + C_2 2^n + C_3 n 2^n$ .

With initial conditions  $a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1, a_2 = 2$

we find  $C_1 = -2, C_2 = 2, C_3 = -1/2$

Therefore

$$a_n = -2 + 2(2^n) - \frac{1}{2}n(2^n).$$

## Linear nonhomogeneous recurrences

Linear nonhomogeneous recurrence relation of degree  $k$  with constant coefficients:

$$a_n = c_1 a_{n-1} + \dots + c_k a_{n-k} + F(n)$$

where  $c_1, \dots, c_k$  are real numbers with  $c_k \neq 0$  and  $F(n)$  is the function not identically zero depending only on  $n$ .

For example, solve  $a_n - 5a_{n-1} + 6a_{n-2} = 7^n$  with proper initial conditions. Denote  $F(n) =$  the nonhomogeneous part, i.e.  $F(n) = 7^n$  in this example.

1. Find the solution  $a_n^{(h)}$  of the associated homogeneous recurrence (see above).
2. Find a particular solution  $a_n^{(p)}$  of the nonhomogeneous equation. A particular solution can be found by using a *trial solution*. The trial solution depends on the nonhomogeneous term  $F(n)$ .

Case 1 If  $F(n)$  has the form  $p(n)s^n$  where  $p(n)$  is a polynomial in  $n$  of degree  $k$ ,  $s$  is a constant, and if  $s$  **is not** a root of the characteristic equation, then the trial solution has the same form as  $q(n)s^n$ , where  $q(n)$  is a polynomial of degree  $k$  (see example below).

Case 2 If  $F(n)$  has the form  $p(n)s^n$  where  $p(n)$  is a polynomial in  $n$  of degree  $k$  and  $s$  is a root of the characteristic equation with multiplicity  $m$ , then the trial solution has the form  $n^m q(n)s^n$ , where  $q(n)$  has the same degree as  $p(n)$ .

3. The solution to the nonhomogenous equation is  $a_n = a_n^{(h)} + a_n^{(p)}$ .

## Examples

Example. Solve  $a_n - 5a_{n-1} + 6a_{n-2} = 7^n$

Solution. The characteristic equation:  $r^2 - 5r + 6 = 0$

Therefore  $r_1 = 3, r_2 = 2 \Rightarrow a_n^{(h)} = C_1 3^n + C_2 2^n$ .

Since 7 is not a root of the characteristic equation (the roots are 3 and 2) hence the trial solution is  $C7^n$  (Case 1).

Substituting the trial solution into the nonhomogeneous equation we have:

$$C7^n - 5C7^{n-1} + 6C7^{n-2} = 7^n$$

$$C7^2 - 5 \cdot 7C + 6C = 7^2$$

$$49C - 35C + 6C = 49$$

or  $C = \frac{49}{20} \Rightarrow a_n^{(p)} = \frac{49}{20}7^n$ .

Combining  $a_n^{(h)}$  and  $a_n^{(p)}$  to get

$$a_n = C_13^n + C_22^n + \frac{49}{20}7^n.$$

You can find  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  from the initial conditions (whatever they may be).

**Big-O notation:** Let  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  be two functions from the set of integers, we say

$f(x) = O(g(x))$  if there are constants  $C$  and  $k$  such that:

$$|f(x)| \leq C|g(x)|, \text{ for } x > k.$$

Example:  $f(x) = 2x^2 + 3x - 12$ , and  $g(x) = x^2$  we say  $f(x) = O(x^2)$ .

Example:  $\log n! = O(n \log n)$ .

## Divide-and-Conquer relations

$$T(n) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + c.$$

Assume:  $n = b^k$  or  $k = \log_b n$ .

$$T\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) = aT\left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right) + c.$$

$$T(n) = a[aT\left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right) + c] + c$$

$$T(n) = a^2T\left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right) + ac + c.$$

$$T(n) = a^kT\left(\frac{n}{b^k}\right) + (a^{k-1} + \dots + a + 1)c.$$

$$T(n) = a^kT(1) + c \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a^i.$$



Assume  $T(1) = 1$ .

If  $a = 1$  then

$$T(n) = T(1) + c \cdot k = 1 + c \cdot \log_b n = O(\log n)$$

If  $a > 1$  then

$$T(n) = a^k + c \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a^i.$$

Since

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a^i = \frac{a^k - 1}{a - 1}.$$

We have

$$T(n) = a^k \left[ 1 + \frac{c}{a - 1} \right] - \frac{c}{a - 1}.$$

Therefore

$$T(n) = O(a^k) = O(a^{\log_b n}) = O(n^{\log_b a}).$$

## More details on Divide-and-Conquer relations

We first derive solution in general case and then infer particular cases.

**Theorem 1** *Let  $f(n)$  be an increasing function satisfying*

$$f(n) = af(n/b) + g(n)$$

*whenever  $n$  is divisible by  $b$ , where  $a \geq 1$ ,  $b$  is an integer greater than 1, and  $g(n)$  is the positive sequence of real numbers. Then*

$$f(n) = a^k f\left(\frac{n}{b^k}\right) + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a^i g\left(\frac{n}{b^i}\right)$$

*when  $n = b^k$  and*

$$f(n) \leq f(b^{k+1}) = a^{k+1} f(1) + \sum_{i=0}^k a^i g\left(\frac{n}{b^i}\right)$$

*when  $n \neq b^k$ .*

**Proof.** Assume  $n = b^k$ . We have by iterative approach

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(n) &= af(n/b) + g(n) \\
 &= a[af\left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right) + g\left(\frac{n}{b}\right)] + g(n) \\
 &= a^2f\left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right) + ag\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + g(n) \\
 &= a^2[af\left(\frac{n}{b^3}\right) + g\left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right)] + ag\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + g(n) \\
 &= a^3f\left(\frac{n}{b^3}\right) + a^2g\left(\frac{n}{b^2}\right) + ag\left(\frac{n}{b}\right) + g(n) \\
 &\dots \\
 &= a^k f(1) + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a^i g\left(\frac{n}{b^i}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

When  $n \neq b^k$  then  $b^k < n < b^{k+1}$  for some positive integer  $k$ . Since  $f$  is an increasing function

$$f(n) \leq f(b^{k+1}) = a^{k+1} f(1) + \sum_{i=0}^k a^i g\left(\frac{n}{b^i}\right).$$

Special cases.

1.  $g(n) = c$ .

i)  $a = 1$ . Let  $n = b^k$ . Then

$$f(n) = a^k f(1) + c \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a^i$$

thus

$$f(n) = f(1) + ck.$$

But  $n = b^k \implies k = \log_b n$ . Hence

$$f(n) = f(1) + c \log_b n = O(\log n).$$

When  $n \neq b^k$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &= f(1) + c(k + 1) \\ &= f(1) + c + c \log_b n = O(\log n). \end{aligned}$$

ii)  $a > 1$ . Let  $n = b^k$ . Using formula for the sum of geometric progression

$$\sum_{i=0}^k r^i = \frac{r^{k+1} - 1}{r - 1}, \quad r \neq 1$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
f(n) &= f(1) + c \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a^i \\
&= a^k f(1) + c \frac{a^k - 1}{a - 1} \\
&= a^k \left[ f(1) + \frac{a}{a - 1} \right] + \left( -\frac{c}{a - 1} \right) \\
&= \left( f(1) + \frac{a}{a - 1} \right) n^{\log_b a} + \left( -\frac{c}{a - 1} \right) \\
&= C_1 n^{\log_b a} + C_2 = O(n^{\log_b a})
\end{aligned}$$

where we have used the identity  $a^{\log_b n} = n^{\log_b a}$ .

When  $n \neq b^k$  then

$$f(n) \leq (C_1 a) n^{\log_b a} + C_2 = O(n^{\log_b a}).$$

We have thus proved

**Theorem 2** *Let  $f(n)$  be an increasing function satisfying*

$$f(n) = af(n/b) + c$$

*whenever  $n$  is divisible by  $b$ , where  $a \geq 1$ ,  $b$  is an integer greater than 1, and  $c$  is a positive real number. Then*

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} O(\log n) & \text{if } a = 1 \\ O(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } a > 1. \end{cases}$$

2.  $g(n) = cn^d$ , where  $d$  is a positive real number.

Let  $n = b^k$ . By Theorem 1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &= a^k f(n/b^k) + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a^i c \left(\frac{n}{b^i}\right)^d \\ &= a^k f(1) + cn^d \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^i. \end{aligned}$$

When  $n \neq b^k$

$$f(n) \leq f(b^{k+1}) = a^{k+1} f(1) + cn^d \sum_{i=0}^k \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^i.$$

(i)  $a = b^d$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &= a^k f(1) + cn^d \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} 1^i \\ &= a^k f(1) + cn^d k \\ &= a^k f(1) + cn^d \log_b n \\ &= a^{\log_b n} f(1) + cn^d \log_b n \\ &= n^{\log_b a} f(1) + cn^d \log_b n \\ &= n^d f(1) + cn^d \log_b n \\ &= O(n^d \log n). \end{aligned}$$



(ii)  $a \neq b^d$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(n) &= a^k f(1) + cn^d \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^i \\
 &= a^k f(1) + cn^d \frac{\left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^k - 1}{\frac{a}{b^d} - 1} \\
 &= a^k f(1) + cn^d \frac{a^k b^d - b^d}{a - b^d} \\
 &= a^k \left[ f(1) + c \frac{n^d b^d}{a - b^d} \right] - cn^d \frac{b^d}{a - b^d} \\
 &= a^{\log_b n} \left[ f(1) + c \frac{\left(\frac{n}{b^k}\right)^d b^d}{a - b^d} \right] - cn^d \frac{b^d}{a - b^d} \\
 &= n^{\log_b a} \left[ f(1) + c \frac{b^d}{a - b^d} \right] - cn^d \frac{b^d}{a - b^d} \\
 &= C_1 n^{\log_b a} + C_2 n^d
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $C_1 = \left[ f(1) + c \frac{b^d}{a - b^d} \right]$  and  $C_2 = c \frac{b^d}{b^d - a}$ . If  $a > b^d$  then  $\log_b a > d$  and the last equation implies

$$f(n) = O(n^{\log_b a})$$

otherwise if  $a < b^d$  then  $\log_b a < d$  and we have

$$f(n) = O(n^d).$$

If  $n \neq b^k$  then

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &\leq f(b^{k+1}) = a^{k+1}f(1) + cn^d \sum_{i=0}^k \left(\frac{a}{b^d}\right)^i \\ &= \begin{cases} O(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } a > b^d \\ O(n^d) & \text{if } a < b^d \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

whenever  $a \neq b^d$  and

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &\leq f(b^{k+1}) \\ &= a^{k+1}f(1) + cn^d(k+1) \\ &= O(n^d \log n) \end{aligned}$$

when  $a = b^d$ . We have thus proven the master theorem

**Theorem 3** *Let  $f(n)$  be an increasing function satisfying*

$$f(n) = af(n/b) + cn^d$$

*whenever  $n$  is divisible by  $b$ , where  $a \geq 1$ ,  $b$  is an integer greater than 1, and  $c, d$  are positive real numbers. Then*

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} O(n^{\log_b a}) & \text{if } a > b^d \\ O(n^d \log n) & \text{if } a = b^d \\ O(n^d) & \text{if } a < b^d. \end{cases}$$

**Example.** Solve

$$f(n) = 8f(n/2) + n^2$$

where  $f$  is an increasing function,  $f(1) = 1$  and show that  $f(n) = O(n^{\log 3})$ .

**Solution.** Following the proof Theorem 3 we have  $a = 8, b = 2, c = 1, d = 2$ , thus  $a > b^d$  and

$$\begin{aligned} f(n) &= \left[1 + \frac{1 \cdot 2^2}{8 - 2^2}\right] n^{\log_2 8} + \frac{1 \cdot 2^2}{2^2 - 8} n^2 \\ &= 2n^3 - n^2 \\ &= O(n^3) \end{aligned}$$

which agrees with Theorem 3.

Here is the complete solution.

$$\begin{aligned}f(n) &= 8f(n/2) + n^2 \\&= 8[8f(n/2^2) + (n/2)^2] + n^2 \\&= 8^2 f(n/2^2) + 8(n/2)^2 + n^2 \\&= 8^2 [8f(n/2^3) + (n/2^2)^2] + 8(n/2)^2 + n^2 \\&= 8^3 f(n/2^3) + 8^2 (n/2^2)^2 + 8(n/2)^2 + n^2 \\&= 8^k f(1) + n^2 \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} 8^i \left(\frac{1}{2^2}\right)^i \\&= 8^k f(1) + n^2 \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \left(\frac{8}{4}\right)^i \\&= 8^k f(1) + n^2 \frac{2^k - 1}{2 - 1} \\&= 8^k + n^2(2^k - 1).\end{aligned}$$

Next,  $k = \log_2 n$ ,  $8^k = 8^{\log_2 n} = n^{\log_2 8} = n^3$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}f(n) &= 8^{\log_2 n} + n^2(2^{\log_2 n} - 1) \\&= n^{\log_2 8} + n^2(n^{\log_2 2} - 1) \\&= n^3 + n^2(n - 1) \\&= 2n^3 - n^2.\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$f(n) = 2n^3 - n^2 = O(n^3).$$

## Inclusion-Exclusion

Example: How many solutions are there to the equation:

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6 = 30$$

where  $x_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$ , is nonnegative integer such that

1.  $x_i > 1$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$  ?

2.  $x_1 \leq 5$ ?

3.  $x_1 \leq 7$  and  $x_2 > 8$ ?

## Solution.

1. We require each  $x_i \geq 2$ . This uses up 12 of the 30 total required, so the problem is the same as finding the number of solutions to  $x'_1 + x'_2 + x'_3 + x'_4 + x'_5 + x'_6 = 18$  with each  $x'_i = x_i - 1$  a nonnegative integer. The number of solutions is therefore  $C(6 + 18 - 1, 18) = C(23, 18) = 33649$ .
2. The number of solutions without restriction is  $C(6 + 30 - 1, 30) = C(35, 30) = 324632$ . The number of solutions violating the restriction by having  $x_1 \geq 6$  is  $C(6 + 24 - 1, 24) = C(29, 24) = 118755$ . Therefore the answer is  $324632 - 118755 = 205877$ .
3. The number of solutions with  $x_2 \geq 9$  (as required) but without the restriction on  $x_1$  is  $C(6 + 21 - 1, 21) = C(26, 21) = 65780$ . The number of solution violating the additional restriction by having  $x_1 \geq 8$  is  $C(6 + 13 - 1, 13) = C(18, 13) = 8568$ . Therefore the answer is  $65780 - 8568 = 57212$ .

Example: How many solutions are there to the equation:

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 13$$

where  $x_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$  are nonnegative integer such that

$$1 \leq x_1 \leq 4, x_2 \leq 6, x_3 \leq 9?$$

Solution. First we take care of the double constraint on  $x_1$  by substitution  $x_1 = p + 1$ , where  $0 \leq p \leq 3$ . The original problem is equivalent to finding solutions to

$$p + d + h = 12$$

where  $p, d, h$  are nonnegative integers such that

$$p \leq 3, d \leq 6, h \leq 9?$$

Let  $S$  denote the set of all nonnegative integer solutions  $(p, d, h)$  of  $p + d + h = 12$ ;

let  $P$  denote the set of all  $(p, d, h)$  in  $S$  such that  $p \geq 4$ ;

let  $D$  denote the set of all  $(p, d, h)$  in  $S$  such that  $d \geq 7$ ;

let  $H$  denote the set of all  $(p, d, h)$  in  $S$  such that  $h \geq 10$ .



By the principle of inclusion-exclusion, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |S - (P \cup D \cup H)| \\ &= |S| - (|P| + |D| + |H|) \\ &+ (|P \cap D| + |P \cap H| + |D \cap H|) \\ &- (|P \cap D \cap H|) \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

we also have  $|S| = \binom{14}{2} = 91$  and  
 $|P| = \binom{10}{2} = 45$  (the number of nonnegative integer solutions of  $p' + d + h = 8$ ),  
 $|D| = \binom{7}{2} = 21$  (the number of nonnegative integer solutions of  $p + d' + h = 5$ ),  
 $|H| = \binom{4}{2} = 6$  (the number of nonnegative integer solutions of  $p + d + h' = 2$ ),  
 $|P \cap D| = \binom{3}{2} = 3$  (the number of nonnegative integer solutions of  $p' + d' + h = 1$ ),  
and  $|P \cap H| = |D \cap H| = |P \cap D \cap H| = 0$ .  
Substituting these partial results to (1) we get the answer 22.

Example: A well-known result implies that a composite integer is divisible by a prime not exceeding its square root. Find a number of primes not exceeding 100.

Solution.

The only primes less than 10 are 2,3,5,7, so the primes not exceeding 100 are these four primes and all positive integers  $1 < n \leq 100$  not divisible by 2,3,5,7. Let  $A_i$  be a subset of elements that have property  $P_i$  that an integer is divisible by  $i, i = 2, 3, 5, 7$  and let  $|A_i| = N(P_i)$ . By the principle of inclusion-exclusion the answer is

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 4 + N(P'_2 P'_3 P'_5 P'_7) \\
 &= 4 + (99 - N(P_2) - N(P_3) - N(P_5) - N(P_7) \\
 &+ N(P_2 P_3) + N(P_2 P_5) + N(P_2 P_7) \\
 &+ N(P_3 P_5) + N(P_3 P_7) + N(P_5 P_7) \\
 &- N(P_2 P_3 P_5) - N(P_2 P_3 P_7) - N(P_2 P_5 P_7) - N(P_3 P_5 P_7) \\
 &+ N(P_2 P_3 P_5 P_7)) \\
 &= 4 + (99 - \left\lfloor \frac{100}{2} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{100}{3} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{100}{5} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{100}{7} \right\rfloor \\
 &+ \left\lfloor \frac{100}{2 \cdot 3} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{100}{2 \cdot 5} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{100}{2 \cdot 7} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{100}{3 \cdot 5} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{100}{3 \cdot 7} \right\rfloor \\
 &- \left\lfloor \frac{100}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{100}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{100}{2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{100}{3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7} \right\rfloor \\
 &+ \left\lfloor \frac{100}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7} \right\rfloor) \\
 &= 4 + (99 - 50 - 33 - 20 - 14 \\
 &+ 16 + 10 + 7 + 6 + 4 + 2 - 3 - 2 - 1 - 0 + 0) \\
 &= 25.
 \end{aligned}$$