

Theorem Let a_n be the number of ways to create a certain structure on a set of n -elements and b_n be the number of ways to build another structure. If F and G are the gen. functions for a_n & b_n resp. then $F \cdot G$ is the gen. function for the number of ways to split n objects into two parts and build the first structure on the first part and the second structure on the second!

Exercise

We have a company "Bolshoy Brat"
It needs to finish two projects.
To do this CEO writes the list
of all the employees and split it
into two parts: the first works on
the first project and the second works on
the second.

Each group needs to ~~select~~ ^{split into} marketing team
and product team. How many ways to do this?

Let $A(x)$ be the gen. function for the number
of ways to do this, so $A(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} 2^n x^n =$
 $= \frac{1}{1-2x}$

By the theorem the gen. function for the final answer is $A^2(x) = \frac{1}{(1-2x)^2}$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{1-2x} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dx} \sum_{n \geq 0} 2^n x^n =$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \geq 1} 2^n x^{n-1} \cdot n = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{2^{n+1}}{2} x^n (n+1) =$$

$$= \sum 2^n \cdot (n+1) \cdot x^n$$

Therefore the answer is $(n+1)2^n$

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

You have a line of n soldiers
you want to split them into squads
(people in a squad are consecutive in the
line) and in each squad you need to
select a leader. How many ways to
do this?

Assume that in the i th squad there are
 n_i people and I've created k squads.
What is the answer in this case?)

$$\rightarrow n_1 \cdot n_2 \cdots n_k$$

What if n_1, \dots, n_k are not fixed?

$$\sum_{n_1 + \dots + n_k = n} n_1 \cdot n_2 \cdots n_k$$