

Introduction to Discrete Mathematics Exercise 4

1. How many positive integers ≤ 1000000 are of the form n^k where n and k are integers and $k > 2$?

Hints: Why can we think about k as a prime? How many such integers > 1 do we find?

2. Generalize the principle of inclusion and exclusion:
Let P_1, \dots, P_m be properties of elements of an n element set S . Prove that the number of elements satisfying exactly t of this properties equals

$$\sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_t} N(P_{i_1} \dots P_{i_t}) - \binom{t+1}{t} \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_{t+1}} N(P_{i_1} \dots P_{i_{t+1}}) + \dots \pm \binom{m}{t} N(P_1 \dots P_m)$$

3. Calculate $\sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^k k$ and $\sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^k k^2!$

Hint: Use *isolation of terms!*

4. Prove that for every positive integer n there is a unique finite sequence (m_1, \dots, m_t) of integers such that $n = F_{m_1} + \dots + F_{m_t}$, $m_i \geq m_{i+1} + 2$, and $m_t \geq 2$ holds.
5. Let A_n be the number of possibilities to fill a $2 \times n$ -rectangle with nonintersecting 1×2 dominoes. Find a recursion for A_n and calculate A_n explicitly!

Hint: It is possible to turn the dominoes!