

Recursive induction:

ex) $f(0) = \underline{2}$
 $f(1) = \underline{3}$ } generally base cases align

$$\forall n \geq 2, \boxed{f(n) = 3f(n-1) - 2f(n-2)}$$

in book: $f(n+1) = 3f(n) - 2f(n-1)$

Claim: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad f(n) = 2^n + 1$ closed form

Proof by induction on n .

Base cases: $f(n) = 2^n + 1$ when $n=0$ and $n=1$.

$$f(0) = 2^0 + 1 = \underline{2} = f(0)$$

$$f(1) = 2^1 + 1 = \underline{3} = f(1)$$

IH: Suppose closed form of $f(n)$ is $2^n + 1$ for $n = 1 \dots k-1$.

Goal: we want to show $f(k) = \underline{2^k + 1}$, or

$$f(k) = 3f(k-1) - 2f(k-2) = \underline{2^k + 1}$$

$$f(k) = 3\underbrace{f(k-1)}_{IH} - 2\underbrace{f(k-2)}_{IH}$$

Applying the IH twice, we get $f(k) = 3(2^{k-1} + 1) - 2(2^{k-2} + 1)$

$$f(k) = 3 \cdot 2^{k-1} + 3 - 2 \cdot 2^{k-2} - 2$$

$$3 \cdot 2^{k-1} + 1 + \underbrace{(-1)(2)(2^{k-2})}$$

$$\underline{3 \cdot 2^{k-1} + 1} - \underline{2^{k-1}}$$

$$2 \cdot 2^{k-1} + 1 = \underline{2^k + 1}$$