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In[49]:= <<DiscreteMath`Combinatorica`
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In[50]:= Off[General::"spell1"]
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## Problem 19

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In[51]:= Clear[wa, n];
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wa[0] = 1; wa[1] = 2; wa[2] = 4; wa[3] = 8; wa[4] = 16;
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wa[n_] := wa[n] = 2 * wa[n - 1] + wa[n - 5]
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In[54]:= Table[wa[k], {k, 1, 10}]
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Out[54]= {2, 4, 8, 16, 33, 68, 140, 288, 592, 1217}
```

## Problem 22

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In[55]:= {{1, 3}, {1, 2, 3}} (* n = 3 ; 2^(3-2) *)
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Out[55]= {{1, 3}, {1, 2, 3}}
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In[56]:= {{1, 4}, {1, 2, 4}, {1, 3, 4}, {1, 2, 3, 4}} (* n = 4 ; 2^(4-2) *)
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Out[56]= {{1, 4}, {1, 2, 4}, {1, 3, 4}, {1, 2, 3, 4}}
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In[57]:= {{1, 5}, {1, 2, 5}, {1, 3, 5}, {1, 2, 3, 5},
          {1, 4, 5}, {1, 2, 4, 5}, {1, 3, 4, 5}, {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}}
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Out[57]= {{1, 5}, {1, 2, 5}, {1, 3, 5}, {1, 2, 3, 5},
          {1, 4, 5}, {1, 2, 4, 5}, {1, 3, 4, 5}, {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}}
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In[58]:= {{1, 6}, {1, 2, 6}, {1, 3, 6}, {1, 2, 3, 6}, {1, 4, 6}, {1, 2, 4, 6},
          {1, 3, 4, 6}, {1, 2, 3, 4, 6}, {1, 5, 6}, {1, 2, 5, 6}, {1, 3, 5, 6},
          {1, 2, 3, 5, 6}, {1, 4, 5, 6}, {1, 2, 4, 5, 6}, {1, 3, 4, 5, 6}, {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}}
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Out[58]= {{1, 6}, {1, 2, 6}, {1, 3, 6}, {1, 2, 3, 6}, {1, 4, 6}, {1, 2, 4, 6},
          {1, 3, 4, 6}, {1, 2, 3, 4, 6}, {1, 5, 6}, {1, 2, 5, 6}, {1, 3, 5, 6},
          {1, 2, 3, 5, 6}, {1, 4, 5, 6}, {1, 2, 4, 5, 6}, {1, 3, 4, 5, 6}, {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}}
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This can be explained by bit strings of length  $n-2$ . The positions belong to the numbers 2, ...,  $n-1$ . 1-s will tell you which numbers to include in the sequence.

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In[59]:= Clear[ns, n];
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ns[2] = 1; ns[3] = 2; ns[n_] := ns[n] = 2 ns[n - 1]
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In[61]:= Table[ns[k], {k, 2, 10}]
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Out[61]= {1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256}
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## Problem 23

The problem is to find a recurrence relation for the number of bit strings of length  $n$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 00.

*Mathematica* can select all such bit strings.

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In[62]:= Select[Strings[{0, 1}, 3], MemberQ[Partition[#, 2, 1], {0, 0}] &]
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Out[62]= {{0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 1}, {1, 0, 0}}
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In[63]:= Select[Strings[{0, 1}, 4], MemberQ[Partition[#, 2, 1], {0, 0}] &]
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Out[63]= {{0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 1}, {0, 0, 1, 0}, {0, 0, 1, 1},
          {0, 1, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 0, 1}, {1, 1, 0, 0}}
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In[64]:= Length[Select[Strings[{0, 1}, 4], MemberQ[Partition[#, 2, 1], {0, 0}] &]]
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Out[64]= 8
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In[65]:= Table[
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    Length[Select[Strings[{0, 1}, k], MemberQ[Partition[#, 2, 1], {0, 0}] &]], {k, 1, 15}]
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Out[65]= {0, 1, 3, 8, 19, 43, 94, 201, 423, 880, 1815, 3719, 7582, 15397, 31171}
```

Let  $n \geq 3$ . Denote by  $S$  the set of all bit strings of length  $n$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 00. The set  $S$  is a disjoint union of three sets: the set  $S_{00}$ , the set  $S_{10}$ , and the set  $S_1$ . The set  $S_{00}$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 00, The set  $S_{10}$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 10 and the set  $S_1$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 1. The cardinality of  $S_{00}$  is  $2^{n-2}$ , the cardinality of  $S_{10}$  is  $a_{n-2}$ , the cardinality of  $S_1$  is  $a_{n-1}$ .

The corresponding recursion is

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In[66]:= Clear[rs23]; rs23[0] = 0; rs23[1] = 0;
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    rs23[n_] := rs23[n] = 2n-2 + rs23[n - 1] + rs23[n - 2]
```

The logic here is that  $2^{n-2}$  strings end with 00,  $rs[n-2]$  strings end with 10 and  $rs[n-1]$  strings end with 1.

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In[68]:= Table[rs23[k], {k, 0, 18}]
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```
Out[68]= {0, 0, 1, 3, 8, 19, 43, 94, 201, 423, 880,
          1815, 3719, 7582, 15397, 31171, 62952, 126891, 255379}
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**A closed form using the Fibonacci numbers:**

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In[69]:= Table[2k - Fibonacci[k + 2], {k, 0, 18}]
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```
Out[69]= {0, 0, 1, 3, 8, 19, 43, 94, 201, 423, 880,
          1815, 3719, 7582, 15397, 31171, 62952, 126891, 255379}
```

## Problem 24

The problem is to find a recurrence relation for the number of bit strings of length  $n$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 000.

*Mathematica* can select all such strings.

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In[70]:= Select[Strings[{0, 1}, 4], MemberQ[Partition[#, 3, 1], {0, 0, 0}] &]
```

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Out[70]= {{0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 1}, {1, 0, 0, 0}}
```

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In[71]:= Length[Select[Strings[{0, 1}, 4], MemberQ[Partition[#, 3, 1], {0, 0, 0}] &]]
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Out[71]= 3
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In[72]:= Select[Strings[{0, 1}, 5], MemberQ[Partition[#, 3, 1], {0, 0, 0}] &]
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Out[72]= {{0, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 0, 1}, {0, 0, 0, 1, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 1, 1},
          {0, 1, 0, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 0, 0, 0}, {1, 0, 0, 0, 1}, {1, 1, 0, 0, 0}}
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In[73]:= Length[Select[Strings[{0, 1}, 5], MemberQ[Partition[#, 3, 1], {0, 0, 0}] &]]
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Out[73]= 8
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In[74]:= Table[
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    Length[Select[Strings[{0, 1}, k], MemberQ[Partition[#, 3, 1], {0, 0, 0}] &]], {k, 1, 16}]
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Out[74]= {0, 0, 1, 3, 8, 20, 47, 107, 238, 520, 1121, 2391, 5056, 10616, 22159, 46023}
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Let  $n \geq 3$ . Denote by  $S$  the set of all bit strings of length  $n$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 000. The set  $S$  is a disjoint union of four sets: the set  $S_{000}$ , the set  $S_{100}$ , the set  $S_{10}$  and the set  $S_1$ . The set  $S_{000}$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 000, The set  $S_{100}$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 100, the set  $S_{10}$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 10, the set  $S_1$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 1. The cardinality of  $S_{000}$  is  $2^{n-3}$ , the cardinality of  $S_{100}$  is  $a_{n-3}$ , the cardinality of  $S_{10}$  is  $a_{n-2}$ , the cardinality of  $S_1$  is  $a_{n-1}$ .

The corresponding recursion is

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In[75]:= Clear[rs24]; rs24[0] = 0; rs24[1] = 0; rs24[2] = 0;
          rs24[n_] := rs24[n] = 2^{n-3} + rs24[n-3] + rs24[n-2] + rs24[n-1]
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In[77]:= Table[rs24[k], {k, 0, 19}]
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Out[77]= {0, 0, 0, 1, 3, 8, 20, 47, 107, 238, 520, 1121,
          2391, 5056, 10616, 22159, 46023, 95182, 196132, 402873}
```

## Problem 25

The problem is to find a recurrence relation for the number of bit strings of length  $n$  which do not contain any occurrences of the string 000.

*Mathematica* can select all such strings.

```
In[78]:= Select[Strings[{0, 1}, 4], Not[MemberQ[Partition[#, 3, 1], {0, 0, 0}]] &]
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Out[78]= {{0, 0, 1, 0}, {0, 0, 1, 1}, {0, 1, 0, 0}, {0, 1, 0, 1},
          {0, 1, 1, 0}, {0, 1, 1, 1}, {1, 0, 0, 1}, {1, 0, 1, 0},
          {1, 0, 1, 1}, {1, 1, 0, 0}, {1, 1, 0, 1}, {1, 1, 1, 0}, {1, 1, 1, 1}}
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In[79]:= Length[Select[Strings[{0, 1}, 4], Not[MemberQ[Partition[#, 3, 1], {0, 0, 0}]] &]]
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Out[79]= 13
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In[80]:= Table[Length[Select[Strings[{0, 1}, k], Not[MemberQ[Partition[#, 3, 1], {0, 0, 0}]] &]],
              {k, 0, 12}]
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Out[80]= {1, 2, 4, 7, 13, 24, 44, 81, 149, 274, 504, 927, 1705}
```

Let  $n \geq 3$ . Denote by  $S$  the set of all bit strings of length  $n$  which do not contain any occurrences of the string 000. The set  $S$  is a disjoint union of three sets: the set  $S_{100}$ , the set  $S_{10}$  and the set  $S_1$ . The set  $S_{100}$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 100, the set  $S_{10}$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 10, the set  $S_1$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 1. The cardinality of  $S_{100}$  is  $a_{n-3}$ , the cardinality of  $S_{10}$  is  $a_{n-2}$ , the cardinality of  $S_1$  is  $a_{n-1}$ .

The corresponding recursion is

```
In[81]:= Clear[rs25]; rs25[0] = 1; rs25[1] = 2; rs25[2] = 4;
          rs25[n_] := rs25[n] = rs25[n - 3] + rs25[n - 2] + rs25[n - 1]
```

The logic here is that  $rs[n-3]$  strings end with 100,  $rs[n-2]$  strings end with 10 and  $rs[n-1]$  strings end with 1.

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In[83]:= Table[rs25[k], {k, 0, 22}]
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```
Out[83]= {1, 2, 4, 7, 13, 24, 44, 81, 149, 274, 504, 927, 1705, 3136,
          5768, 10609, 19513, 35890, 66012, 121415, 223317, 410744, 755476}
```

## Problem 26

The problem is to find a recurrence relation for the number of bit strings of length  $n$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 01.

Easily we calculate  $a_0 = 0$ ,  $a_1 = 0$ ,  $a_2 = 1$ ,  $a_3 = 4$ . Below is the *Mathematica* code confirming these calculations and calculating more values.

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In[84]:= Select[Strings[{0, 1}, 4], MemberQ[Partition[#, 2, 1], {0, 1}] &]
Out[84]= {{0, 0, 0, 1}, {0, 0, 1, 0}, {0, 0, 1, 1}, {0, 1, 0, 0}, {0, 1, 0, 1},
          {0, 1, 1, 0}, {0, 1, 1, 1}, {1, 0, 0, 1}, {1, 0, 1, 0}, {1, 0, 1, 1}, {1, 1, 0, 1}}

In[85]:= Length[Select[Strings[{0, 1}, 4], MemberQ[Partition[#, 2, 1], {0, 1}] &]]
Out[85]= 11

In[86]:= Table[
          Length[Select[Strings[{0, 1}, k], MemberQ[Partition[#, 2, 1], {0, 1}] &]], {k, 1, 8}]
Out[86]= {0, 1, 4, 11, 26, 57, 120, 247}

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Now reasoning which leads to the recursion.

### Reasoning I.

Let  $n \geq 2$ . Denote by  $S$  the set of all bit strings of length  $n$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 01. The set  $S$  is a disjoint union of two sets: the set  $S_f$  and the set  $S_l$ . The set  $S_f$  is the set of all bit strings of length  $n$  in which the first occurrence of 01 is at the position  $k$  where  $k \leq n - 2$ . (Here we mean that the bit 0 in 01 is at the position  $k$ .) The set  $S_l$  is the set of all bit strings of length  $n$  in which the **first** occurrence of 01 is at the position  $n - 1$ , that is 0 is at the position  $n - 1$  and 1 is at the position  $n$ .

The cardinality of the set  $S_f$  is  $2a_{n-1}$ . To justify this claim, observe that each string in  $S_f$  is obtained by appending 0 or 1 at the end of a bit strings of length  $n - 1$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 01.

The cardinality of the set  $S_l$  is  $n - 1$ . The justification for this claim is as follows. If the first occurrence of 01 is at the last two bits, then the first  $n - 2$  positions do not include any 01 strings. There are  $n - 1$  such bit strings: all  $n - 2$  bits are 0, 1-s up to  $k$ , then zeros,  $k = 1, \dots, n - 3$ , all  $n - 2$  bits are 1.

The recursion corresponding to this disjoint union is

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In[87]:= Clear[rs26a, n];
          rs26a[0] = 0; rs26a[n_] := rs26a[n] = 2 rs26a[n - 1] + n - 1

In[89]:= Table[rs26a[k], {k, 0, 18}]
Out[89]= {0, 0, 1, 4, 11, 26, 57, 120, 247, 502, 1013,
          2036, 4083, 8178, 16369, 32752, 65519, 131054, 262125}

```

We will present a different reasoning that leads to the same recursion.

Let  $n \geq 2$ . Denote by  $S$  the set of all bit strings of length  $n$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 01. The set  $S$  is a disjoint union of two sets: the set  $S_0$  and the set  $S_1$ . The set  $S_0$  is the set of all bit strings  $S$  which end with 0. The set  $S_1$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 1.

The cardinality of the set  $S_0$  is  $a_{n-1}$ . To justify this claim, observe that each string in  $S_0$  is obtained by appending 0 at the end of a bit strings of length  $n - 1$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 01.

The cardinality of the set  $S_1$  is a little more complicated. There are two kinds of bit strings in  $S_1$ . The first kind are bit strings which are obtained by appending 1 at the end of a bit strings of length  $n - 1$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 01. There are  $a_{n-1}$  bitstrings of this kind. The second kind are bit strings that end with 01 but do not contain the string 01 otherwise. There are  $n - 1$  strings like that. They are  $00\dots01$ ,  $100\dots01$ , and so on to,  $11\dots101$ ; counting 0s they can have  $n - 1$  zeros,  $n - 2$  zeros, up to only 1 zero.

The recursion corresponding to this disjoint union is the same as one defined in rs26a.

## Reasoning II.

Let  $n \geq 2$ . Denote by  $S$  the set of all bit strings of length  $n$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 01. The set  $S$  is a disjoint union of three sets the set  $S_0$ , the set  $S_{01}$  and the set  $S_{11}$ . The set  $S_0$  is the set of all bit strings in  $S$  which end with 0. These bit strings are all obtained by appending 0 to bit strings of length  $n - 1$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 01. **There are** exactly  $a_{n-1}$  such strings. The set  $S_{01}$  is the set of all bit strings of length  $n$  which end by 01. **There are** exactly  $2^{n-2}$  such bit strings. The set  $S_{11}$  is the set of all bit strings of length  $n$  which end by 11. These bit strings are all obtained by appending 1 to bit strings of length  $n - 1$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 01 and which end by 1. Since there are  $a_{n-2}$  bit strings of length  $n - 1$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 01 and which end by 0, **there are** exactly  $a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}$  bit strings of length  $n - 1$  which contain at least one occurrence of the string 01 and which end by 1.

The recursion corresponding to this disjoint union is

```
In[90]:= Clear[rs26b]; rs26b[0] = 0; rs26b[1] = 0;
          rs26b[n_] := rs26b[n] = rs26b[n - 1] + 2n-2 + rs26b[n - 1] - rs26b[n - 2]
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In[92]:= Table[rs26b[k], {k, 0, 18}]
```

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Out[92]= {0, 0, 1, 4, 11, 26, 57, 120, 247, 502, 1013,
          2036, 4083, 8178, 16369, 32752, 65519, 131054, 262125}
```

## Closed form for the sequence

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In[93]:= Table[2n - (n + 1), {n, 0, 18}]
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```
Out[93]= {0, 0, 1, 4, 11, 26, 57, 120, 247, 502, 1013,
          2036, 4083, 8178, 16369, 32752, 65519, 131054, 262125}
```

## Problem 27

Count the number of ways to climb  $n$  stairs if we can take either 1 or 2 stairs at the time.

For example 3 stairs:

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In[94]:= {{1, 2}, {2, 1}, {1, 1, 1}}
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Out[94]= {{1, 2}, {2, 1}, {1, 1, 1}}
```

or 4 stairs

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In[95]:= {{1, 1, 2}, {2, 2}, {1, 2, 1}, {2, 1, 1}, {1, 1, 1, 1}}
Out[95]= {{1, 1, 2}, {2, 2}, {1, 2, 1}, {2, 1, 1}, {1, 1, 1, 1}}

In[96]:= Select[Flatten[Table[Strings[{1, 2}, k], {k, 1, 5}], 1], (Total[#] == 5) &]
Out[96]= {{1, 2, 2}, {2, 1, 2}, {2, 2, 1}, {1, 1, 1, 2},
          {1, 1, 2, 1}, {1, 2, 1, 1}, {2, 1, 1, 1}, {1, 1, 1, 1, 1}}

In[97]:= Length[Select[Flatten[Table[Strings[{1, 2}, k], {k, 1, 5}], 1], (Total[#] == 5) &]]
Out[97]= 8

In[98]:= Table[Length[Select[Flatten[Table[Strings[{1, 2}, k], {k, 1, n}], 1], (Total[#] == n) &]],
              {n, 1, 12}]
Out[98]= {1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, 144, 233}

In[99]:= Clear[rs27]; rs27[1] = 1; rs27[2] = 2;
          rs27[n_] := rs27[n] = rs27[n - 1] + rs27[n - 2]

In[101]:= Table[rs27[k], {k, 1, 12}]
Out[101]= {1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, 144, 233}
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## Problem 28

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In[102]:= Select[Flatten[Table[Strings[{1, 2, 3}, k], {k, 1, 4}], 1], (Total[#] == 4) &]
Out[102]= {{1, 3}, {2, 2}, {3, 1}, {1, 1, 2}, {1, 2, 1}, {2, 1, 1}, {1, 1, 1, 1}}

In[103]:= Select[Flatten[Table[Strings[{1, 2, 3}, k], {k, 1, 5}], 1], (Total[#] == 5) &]
Out[103]= {{2, 3}, {3, 2}, {1, 1, 3}, {1, 2, 2}, {1, 3, 1}, {2, 1, 2}, {2, 2, 1},
          {3, 1, 1}, {1, 1, 1, 2}, {1, 1, 2, 1}, {1, 2, 1, 1}, {2, 1, 1, 1}, {1, 1, 1, 1, 1}}

In[104]:= Length[Select[Flatten[Table[Strings[{1, 2, 3}, k], {k, 1, 5}], 1], (Total[#] == 5) &]]
Out[104]= 13
```

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In[105]:=
  Table[
    Length[Select[Flatten[Table[Strings[{1, 2, 3}, k], {k, 1, n}], 1], (Total[#] == n) &]],
    {n, 1, 12}]
```

```
Out[105]=
{1, 2, 4, 7, 13, 24, 44, 81, 149, 274, 504, 927}
```

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In[106]:=
  Clear[rs28]; rs28[1] = 1; rs28[2] = 2; rs28[3] = 4;
  rs28[n_] := rs28[n] = rs28[n - 1] + rs28[n - 2] + rs28[n - 3]
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In[108]:=
  Table[rs28[k], {k, 1, 12}]
```

```
Out[108]=
{1, 2, 4, 7, 13, 24, 44, 81, 149, 274, 504, 927}
```

## 29

$a_0 = 1; a_1 = 3; a_2 = 8;$

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In[109]:=
  {{}, {0}, {1}, {2}}
```

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Out[109]=
{{}, {0}, {1}, {2}}
```

```
In[110]:=
  Length[{{1, 0}, {2, 0}, {0, 1}, {0, 2}, {1, 1}, {1, 2}, {2, 1}, {2, 2}}]
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Out[110]=
8
```

Split the set of all ternary strings of length  $n$  with no consecutive 0s into disjoint subsets: beginning with 1, beginning with 2 and beginning with 0. How many of each?

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In[111]:=
  Clear[ts]; ts[0] = 1; ts[1] = 3; ts[n_] := ts[n] = 2 * ts[n - 1] + 2 * ts[n - 2]
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In[112]:=
  Table[ts[k], {k, 1, 10}]
```

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Out[112]=
{3, 8, 22, 60, 164, 448, 1224, 3344, 9136, 24960}
```