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Period: 3

1. Use mathematical induction to prove that the given formula works for all positive integers n . [6 points]

$$1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}$$

1) prove $n=1$ is true

$$1^3 = \frac{1^2(1+1)^2}{4}$$

2) assume $n=k$ is true

$$1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3 = \frac{k^2(k+1)^2}{4}$$

3) prove $n=k+1$ is true

$$1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3 = \frac{(k+1)^2(k+2)^2}{4} = \frac{k^2(k+1)^2 + 4(k+1)^3}{4} = \frac{(k+1)^2(k+2)^2}{4}$$

$$\frac{k^2(k^2+2k+1) + 4(k^3+2k^2+k+k^2+2k+1)}{4} = \frac{(k^2+2k+1)(k^2+4k+4)}{4}$$

$$(k^4 + 2k^3 + k^2 + 4k^3 + 8k^2 + 4k + 4k^2 + 8k + 4)/4 = (k^4 + 4k^3 + 4k^2 + 2k^3 + 8k^2 + 8k + k^2 + 4k + 4)/4$$

$$(k^4 + 6k^3 + 13k^2 + 12k + 4)/4 = (k^4 + 6k^3 + 13k^2 + 12k + 4)/4 \quad \checkmark$$

2. Use mathematical induction to prove that $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 6 for all $n \geq 2$. [6 points]

1) base case: prove $n=2$ is true

$$2^3 - 2 = 6 \leftarrow \text{div by 6}$$

2) assume $n=k$ is true

$$k^3 - k \text{ is divisible by 6}$$

$$\begin{matrix} (k+1)(k+1) \\ k+1(k^2+2k+1) \end{matrix}$$

3) prove $n=k+1$ is true

$$(k+1)^3 - (k+1) \text{ is div by 6}$$

$$k^3 + 2k^2 + k + k^2 + 2k + 1 - k - 1 = (k^3 - k) + 3k^2 + 3k \quad \checkmark$$

div by 6 from step 2

both terms are divisible by 3 since they're mult by 3

adding 2 terms that are div by 3 means they can be div by 6 not true: $6+9=15$

adding two terms both div by 6 means final sum also div by 6

3. Simplify: [4 points]

$$\frac{(2n+2)!(n!)^2}{[(n+1)!]^2(2n)!}$$

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$$\frac{(2n+2) \cdot (2n+1) \cdot (n!)^2}{[(n+1)!]^2}$$

$$\frac{(2n+2)(2n+1)}{(n+1)(n+1)}$$

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$$\frac{2(2n+1)}{(n+1)}$$

4. Evaluate: [2 points each]

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

a) $\binom{-2}{10} = 11$

$$\frac{-2 \cdot -3 \cdot -4 \dots}{10!(-12)!}$$

$$\frac{+12 \cdot +11 \cdot +10 \cdot +9 \cdot +8 \cdot +7 \cdot +6 \cdot +5 \cdot +4 \cdot +3 \cdot +2 \cdot +1}{10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}$$

b) $\binom{-4}{3} = -20$

$$\frac{-4 \cdot -5 \cdot -6 \cdot -7 \dots}{3!(-7)!}$$

$$\frac{+4 \cdot +5 \cdot +6}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}$$

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