

CSCE 222 (Carlisle), Discrete Structures for Computing
Spring 2020
Homework 7

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Instructions:

- The exercises are from the textbook. You are encouraged to work extra problems to aid in your learning; remember, the solutions to the odd-numbered problems are in the back of the book.
 - Grading will be based on correctness, clarity, and whether your solution is of the appropriate length.
 - Always justify your answers.
 - Don't forget to acknowledge all sources of assistance in the section below, and write up your solutions on your own.
 - *Turn in .pdf file to Gradescope by the start of class on Tuesday, March 3, 2020.* It is simpler to put each problem on its own page using the LaTeX clearpage command.
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Exercises for Section 5.1:

6: (2 point).

proof by induction

base case $n = 1$:

$1 * 1! = 1$ and $(1 + 1)! - 1 = 1$, proven true

so $P(1)$ is true

assume $P(m) = (m+1)! - 1$ is true, if $P(m+1)$ is also true, question statement is proven

$P(m+1)$

$$= (m+1)! - 1 + (m+1) * (m+1)!$$

factoring $(m+1)!$ we have:

$$= (1+m+1) * (m+1)! - 1$$

$$= (m+2) * (m+1)! - 1$$

$$= (m+2)! - 1$$

$$= ((m+1)+1)! - 1$$

which is the definition of $P(m+1)$, and proven to be true

18(a-f): (3 points).

a. $2! < 2^2$

b. $2! = 2 * 1 = 2 < 4 = 2^2$

c. the hypothesis is $P(m)$ is true: $m! < m^m$

d. we need to prove that $P(m+1)$ is also true: $(m+1)! < (m+1)^{m+1}$

e. $(m+1)! = (m+1) * m! < (m+1) * m^m < (m+1) * (m+1)^m = (m+1)^{m+1}$ (note that $k! < k^k$)

so $P(m+1)$ is also true

f. through the mathematical induction, $P(n)$ is proven to be true for all positive integer $n \geq 1$.

32: (3 points).

Proving: $P(n)$: "3 divides $n^3 + 2n$ "

base case: $n=1$: $1^3 + 2 * 1 = 3$, so $P(1)$ is true

assume $P(k)$ to be true that: 3 divides $k^3 + 2 * k$

now proving $P(k+1)$ is also true

$$(k+1)^3 + 2 * (k+1)$$

$$= k^3 + 3 * k^2 + 3 * k + 1 + 2 * k + 2$$

$$= k^3 + 3 * k^2 + 5 * k + 3$$

$$= (k^3 + 2 * k) + 3 * (k^2 + k + 1)$$

since $k^3 + 2 * k$ is proven to be divisible by 3, and $3 * (k^2 + k + 1)$ as well (with a coefficient of 3), so $(k+1)^3 + 2 * (k+1)$ is divisible by 3.

thus $P(k+1)$ is true

Exercises for Section 5.2:

6(a-c): (3 points)

- Determine which amounts of postage can be formed using just 3-cent and 10-cent stamps.
- Prove your answer to (a) using the principle of mathematical induction. Be sure to state explicitly your inductive hypothesis in the inductive step.
- Prove your answer to (a) using strong induction. How does the inductive hypothesis in this proof differ from that in the inductive hypothesis for a proof using mathematical induction?

a. listing all the possibilities: 3,6,9,10,12,13,15,16,18,19,20

from 18, there are three consecutive possibilities, so all stamps equal or more than 18 can be made by 3 and 10.

b. to prove part a, set up $P(n)$ to be "n cents can be made up by 3 cents and 10 cents"

base case $n = 18$: because $3 \cdot 6 = 18$, base case is true

assuming $P(k)$ is true that k is divisible by 3, now proving $P(k+1)$ is true as well

case one: number containing $k+1$:

since k is divisible by 3 and including at least three 3 cents, $k+1$ be represented by replacing those three 3 cents by one 10 cents.

case two: number containing $k+2$:

if k is formed by less than three 3 cents, then k can be formed by at least two 10 cents (now k is at least 20 and 18, 19 cents both use at least three 3 cents).

if we have at least two 10 cents, we can replace those two with seven 3 cents to obtain $k+1$, which is the $k+2$ we want

case three: number including $k+3$:

just add one more 3 cents and here goes a cycle.

now $P(k+1)$ is proven to be true in all the cases by mathematical induction

c. now let's prove it by strong induction and keep the definition of $P(k)$ the same

the base cases is $n=18$, $n=19$, and $n=20$

$P(18)$ is true, because $3 \cdot 6 = 18$

$P(19)$ is true, because $1 \cdot 10 + 3 \cdot 3 = 19$

$P(20)$ is true, because $2 \cdot 10 = 20$

therefore, we can assume that $P(18)$, $P(19)$, ..., $P(k)$ is all true.

to prove $P(k+1)$ is also true, since $P(k+1)$ is interchangeable with $P(k-2)$ (by adding/deleting one 3 cents), and $P(k-2)$ is also true, therefore, $P(k+1)$ is also true.

and $P(n)$ is proven to be true by strong induction for all positive integer n .

10: (3 points)

base case $n = 1$, it takes 0 breaks

and $n=2$ takes 1 breaks, $n=3$ takes 2 breaks.

so let's assume $P(n)$: it takes $n-1$ breaks to break n pieces.

with base case is true, assume that $P(1), P(2) \dots P(m)$ are all true, and it takes $x-1$ breaks to break a x pieces bar

now proving $P(m+1)$ is also true, $m+1$ is the number of pieces in the bar and can be represented by a rows and b columns: $m+1=a*b$

considering breaking the last column of bar first, the bar will be divided into $(a-1)*b$ pieces and $1*b$ pieces.

since $P((a-1)*b)$ is true, (note that $(a-1)*b \leq m$), it needs $(a-1)*b-1$ breaks to break $(a-1)*b$ pieces

since $P(b)$ is true, it needs $b-1$ breaks to break b pieces

recall that $m+1$ pieces is equal to $(a-1)*b$ pieces plus $1*b$ pieces.

with the "first column break" mentioned above, it needs $[(a-1)*b-1]+[b-1]+1$ to break $m+1$ pieces bar

simplifying $[(a-1)*b-1]+[b-1]+1$:

$$= a*b - b - 1 + b - 1 + 1$$

$$= a*b - 1$$

$$= (m+1) - 1$$

now I have proven that it takes $(m+1) - 1$ breaks to break $k+1$ pieces so $P(m+1)$ is true

12: (3 points)

$P(n)$: a positive integer n can be written as sum of distinct power of 2.

base case: $P(1)$: $1 = 2^0$, $P(2)$: $2 = 2^1$, are true

assuming $P(n)$ is true for all k equal or greater than n , now proving $P(k+1)$ is true

by hint, there are two cases:

case 1: $k+1$ is odd and k is even

since k is even, k is be written as sum of distinct powers of 2 and none of the powers can be 0.

demo: $k = 2^{e_1} + 2^{e_2} + 2^{e_3} + \dots + 2^{e_n}$, where e_i is not 0 and i is within the range of $(1, m)$

and $k+1$ can be written as $k = 2^{e_1} + 2^{e_2} + 2^{e_3} + \dots + 2^{e_n} + 2^0$

case 2: when $k+1$ is even

since $k+1$ is even, $(k+1)/2$ is an integer, then is can be written is sum of distinct powers of 2.

if we double $(k+1)/2$, we have $2((k+1)/2)$, which can be written as $2 * (2^{e_1} + 2^{e_2} + 2^{e_3} + \dots + 2^{e_n})$,

then $2^{e_1+1} + 2^{e_2+1} + 2^{e_3+1} + \dots + 2^{e_n+1}$ where all the e are distinct.

so, regardless $k+1$ is odd or even, the question statement is true.

32: (3 points)

the proof is invalid because the writer assume that every postage of three cents or more is either including one 3 cents and two 4 cents. For postage value of 5 cents, it doesn't include one 3 cents

or two 4 cents, thus this assumption is false and make her proof invalid.