

CS230-HW6Sol

1. [5 Pts] Haniyeh

Basis step: $n=1$

Show $P(1) : 1 \cdot 1! = (1+1)! - 1$.

Inductive step:

Assume $P(k)$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

$P(k) : 1 \cdot 1! + \dots + k \cdot k! = (k+1)! - 1$.

We prove that $P(k+1)$ is true, where

$P(k+1) : 1 \cdot 1! + \dots + k \cdot k! + (k+1) \cdot (k+1)! = (k+2)! - 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 1 \cdot 1! + \dots + k \cdot k! + (k+1) \cdot (k+1)! \\
 &= (k+1)! - 1 + (k+1) \cdot (k+1)!, \text{ by inductive hypothesis} \\
 &= (k+1)! \cdot (k+1+1) - 1 \\
 &= (k+1)! \cdot (k+2) - 1 \\
 &= (k+2)! - 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $P(k+1)$ is true.

2. [5 Pts] Haniyeh

Basis step: $n=0$

Show $P(0) : 2(-7)^0 = (1 - (-7)^{0+1})/4$

Inductive Step:

Assume $P(k)$ is true, $k \in \mathbb{N}$

$P(k) : 2 - 2 \cdot 7 + 2 \cdot 7^2 - \dots + 2(-7)^k = (1 - (-7)^{k+1})/4$

We prove that $P(k+1)$ is also true, where

$P(k+1) : 2 - 2 \cdot 7 + 2 \cdot 7^2 - \dots + 2(-7)^k + 2(-7)^{k+1} = (1 - (-7)^{k+2})/4$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2 - 2 \cdot 7 + 2 \cdot 7^2 - \dots + 2(-7)^k + 2(-7)^{k+1} \\
 &= \frac{1 - (-7)^{k+1}}{4} + 2(-7)^{k+1}, \text{ by inductive hypothesis} \\
 &= \frac{1 - (-7)^{k+1}}{4} + \frac{8(-7)^{k+1}}{4} \\
 &= \frac{1 + 7(-7)^{k+1}}{4} \\
 &= \frac{1 - (-7)(-7)^{k+1}}{4} \\
 &= \frac{1 - (-7)^{k+2}}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $P(k+1)$ is true.

3. [5 Pts] Haniyeh :

Basis step: $n=1$

Show $\sum_{i=1}^1 \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{1}{1+1}$

Inductive Step:

Assume $P(k) : \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{k}{k+1} \quad k \geq 1$

Prove $P(k+1) : \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{k+1}{k+2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{i(i+1)} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} &= \frac{k}{k+1} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \\
&= \frac{1}{k+1} \left(\frac{k^2 + 2k + 1}{k+2} \right) \\
&= \frac{(k+1)^2}{(k+1)(k+2)} \\
&= \frac{(k+1)}{(k+2)}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore $P(k+1)$ is true.

4. [5 Pts] **Nathan** Let

$$P(n) : n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n \text{ is divisible by } 3 \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

Basis: $n = 1$

$$1^3 + 3 \cdot 1^2 + 2 \cdot 1 = 6 = 3 \cdot 2$$

Therefore $P(1)$ is true.

Inductive Step: Assume $k^3 + 3k^2 + 2k$ is divisible by 3

Prove $P(k+1) : (k+1)^3 + 3(k+1)^2 + 2(k+1)$ is divisible by 3

$$\begin{aligned}
(k+1)^3 + 3(k+1)^2 + 2(k+1) &= k^3 + 6k^2 + 11k + 6 \\
&= k^3 + (3k^2 + 3k^2) + (2k + 9k) + 6 \\
&= (k^3 + 3k^2 + 2k) + 3k^2 + 9k + 6 \\
&= 3l + 3k^2 + 9k + 6 \quad [\text{For some } l \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \text{ by IH}] \\
&= 3(l + k^2 + 3k + 2)
\end{aligned}$$

Since $(l + k^2 + 3k + 2) \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, therefore $(k+1)^3 + 3(k+1)^2 + 2(k+1)$ is divisible by 3. Therefore $P(k+1)$ is true.

5. [5 Pts] **Jacob** We begin by identifying our base case: $p(1)$ is trivially true, and should be suspect as a base case, especially given the hint of Theorem 4.12 and the $n = 2$ case.

Basis: $P(2)$

$$A \cap (B_1 \cup B_2) = (A \cap B_1) \cup (A \cap B_2)$$

Inductive step:

Assume $A \cap \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (A \cap B_i)$ for $n \geq 2$ (**Inductive Hypothesis**)

Prove: $A \cap \bigcup_{i=1}^{n+1} B_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n+1} (A \cap B_i)$

$$\begin{aligned}
A \cap \bigcup_{i=1}^{n+1} B_i &= A \cap (B_1 \cup B_2 \cup \dots \cup B_{n+1}) && \text{Def. of } \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i \\
&= A \cap ((B_1 \cup B_2 \cup \dots \cup B_n) \cup B_{n+1}) && \text{Associative Law for Sets} \\
&= (A \cap (B_1 \cup B_2 \cup \dots \cup B_n)) \cup (A \cap B_{n+1}) && \text{Distributive Law for Sets} \\
&= ((A \cap B_1) \cup (A \cap B_2) \cup \dots \cup (A \cap B_n)) \cup (A \cap B_{n+1}) && \text{by IH} \\
&= (A \cap B_1) \cup (A \cap B_2) \cup \dots \cup (A \cap B_n) \cup (A \cap B_{n+1}) \\
&= \bigcup_{i=1}^{n+1} (A \cap B_i) && \text{Def. of } \bigcup_{i=1}^{n+1} (A \cap B_i)
\end{aligned}$$

QED

6. [9 Pts] Nathan

- (a) *Basis step:* $P(14)$: 14 cents can be made of two 3-cent stamps and an 8 cent stamp as $2(3)+8 = 14$.
Inductive step: Assume $P(k)$ for $k \geq 14$. So, k cents can be made of only 3-cent and 8-cent stamps. To prove $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$, we will break it into cases.
Case 1: k contains an 8-cent stamp. Then we can remove the 8-cent stamp and replace it with three 3-cent stamps as $k - 8 + 3(3) = k + 1$.

Case 2: k contains no 8-cent stamps, so k only contains 3-cent stamps, implying that k is a multiple of 3. Since $k \geq 14$, it follows that $k \geq 15$ because $5(3) = 15 \geq 14$, so at least five 3-cent stamps are used. Then five 3-cent stamps can be removed and replaced with two 8-cent stamps as $k - 5(3) + 2(8) = k + 1$.

Thus, $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$.

- (b) *Basis steps:*
 $P(14)$: 14 cents can be made of two 3-cent stamps and an 8-cent stamp as $2(3) + 8 = 14$.
 $P(15)$: 15 cents can be made from five 3-cent stamps as $5(3) = 15$.
 $P(16)$: 16 cents can be made from two 8-cent stamps as $2(8) = 16$.

Strong Inductive Step: For $k \geq 16$, assume that $P(j)$ is true for all j where $14 \leq j \leq k$. We prove $P(k+1)$. Since $k \geq 16$, we have $k-2 \geq 14$, so $P(k-2)$ is true. By adding another 3-cent stamp to $k-2$ cent postage, we have postage for $k-2+3 = k+1$. So, $P(k+1)$ is true.

7. [6 Pts] Jacob

Suppose, for contradiction, there exists a positive integer ℓ such that $P(\ell)$ is false. Since $P(k+1) \rightarrow P(k)$ for all positive integers k , by contrapositive, we have $\neg P(k) \rightarrow \neg P(k+1)$ for all positive integers k .

Since $P(\ell)$ is false, $\neg P(\ell)$ is true, and by the principle of mathematical induction, $\neg P(n)$ is true for every integer $n \geq \ell$. This contradicts the fact that $P(n)$ is true for an infinite number of positive integers n . Therefore, $P(n)$ is true for all positive integers.