

Sorry. I corrected some answers and resubmitted it 57 minutes after the deadline.

But the first submission should be on time. I'd be very grateful if you score the latest submission. Thank you!

Q1. (a) let A be the set of all propositional functions, which can be proved by weak induction, and B can be proved by strong induction.

I. Show that weak induction implies strong induction

For an arbitrary element in B , says P , we know that:

P is true if $\begin{cases} P(1) \text{ is true} \\ P(1) \wedge P(2) \cdots P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1) \text{ is true.} \end{cases}$

let $q(n) = P(1) \wedge P(2) \cdots P(n)$

then P is true if $\begin{cases} q(1) \text{ is true} \\ q(k) \rightarrow P(k+1) \text{ is true} \end{cases}$

~~$P(k+1)$~~ And if $q(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$ is true, then $q(k+1) = q(k) \wedge P(k+1)$ is true,

then P is true if $\begin{cases} q(1) \text{ is true} \\ q(k) \rightarrow q(k+1) \text{ is true} \end{cases}$

We prove P by weak induction, which means $P \in A$.

$\therefore B \subseteq A$

II. Show that strong induction implies weak induction.

For an arbitrary element P in A , we know that:

P is true if $\begin{cases} P(1) \text{ is true} \\ P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1) \text{ is true} \end{cases}$

Obviously, $(P(1) \wedge P(2) \cdots P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1) \text{ is true})$
 $\rightarrow (P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1) \text{ is true})$

because $P(1) \wedge P(2) \cdots P(k) \rightarrow P(k)$

$\therefore P$ is true if $\begin{cases} P(1) \text{ is true} \\ P(1) \wedge P(2) \cdots P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1) \text{ is true.} \end{cases}$

Q1. (b) Let $P(n)$ be the proposition function that,

for any non-empty set, which is a subset of positive integers, if it contains an element z s.t. $z \leq n$, then it has least element.

Obviously, $P(1)$ is true since 1 is the least positive integers.

Assume $P(k)$ is true. That means, for an arbitrary set $A \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^+$, if there $\exists z \leq k$, then it has least element.

Then assume $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$ is not true, which means $P(k+1)$ is false.
 $\neg P(k) \vee P(k+1)$ is false $\Rightarrow \neg(\neg P(k) \vee P(k+1))$ is true.

$\Rightarrow P(k) \wedge \neg P(k+1)$ is true $\wedge P(k)$ is true $\Rightarrow P(k+1)$ is false

That means, $A \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^+$. If $\exists z \leq k+1$, then it doesn't have least.

I. $z \leq k$.

Since $P(k)$ is true, so A has least, which forms contradiction.

II. $z > k \wedge z \leq k+1 \Rightarrow z = k+1 \Rightarrow k+1 \in A$

If $\exists j < k+1 \Rightarrow j < k \wedge P(k)$ is true $\Rightarrow A$ has least \Rightarrow contradiction

If there doesn't $\exists j < k+1$, then $k+1$ is the least in A , which forms contradiction.

$\therefore "P(k+1) \text{ is false}"$ is contradiction

$\therefore P(k+1)$ is true.

$\therefore P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$ is true.

Thus, we prove Well-Ordering principle by induction.

Q2. Basic step: When $n=1$:
obviously, $A_1 - B = A_1 - B$

Inductive step: Assume that $(A_1 - B) \cap (A_2 - B) \dots (A_n - B)$

$$= (A_1 \cap A_2 \dots A_n) - B, \text{ then } (A_1 - B) \cap (A_2 - B) \dots (A_n - B) \cap (A_{n+1} - B)$$

$$= [(A_1 \cap A_2 \dots A_n) - B] \cap (A_{n+1} - B)$$

$$= (A_1 \cap A_2 \dots A_n \cap \bar{B}) \cap (A_{n+1} \cap \bar{B}) \quad (\text{By definition, } A - B = \{a \in A \mid a \notin B\})$$

$$= (A_1 \cap A_2 \dots A_n \cap A_{n+1}) \cap \bar{B} \quad (\text{Association law})$$

$$(A_1 \cap A_2 \dots A_n \cap A_{n+1}) - B$$

$$= A_1 \cap A_2 \dots A_n \cap A_{n+1} \cap \bar{B}$$

$$\therefore (A_1 - B) \cap (A_2 - B) \dots (A_{n+1} - B) = (A_1 \cap A_2 \dots A_n \cap A_{n+1}) - B$$

$$\therefore (A_1 - B) \cap (A_2 - B) \dots (A_{n+1} - B) = (A_1 \cap A_2 \dots A_n \cap A_{n+1}) - B$$

is true for all non-negative integers n .

Q3. Basic step: Obviously: 'If p is prime and $p|a_1$, then $\exists i=1$ s.t. $p|a_i$ ' is true.

Inductive step: Assume that if p is prime and $p|a_1 a_2 \dots a_n$, then $\exists a_i$ s.t. $p|a_i, a_i \in \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$

If p is prime and $p|a_1 a_2 \dots a_n a_{n+1}$, then:

I. $p \nmid a_{n+1} \Rightarrow \gcd(p, a_{n+1}) = 1$ since p is prime

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} p|a_1 a_2 \dots a_n a_{n+1} \\ \gcd(p, a_{n+1}) = 1 \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow p|a_1 a_2 \dots a_n \Rightarrow \exists a_i \text{ s.t. } p|a_i, a_i \in \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$$

$$\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\} \subseteq \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n+1}\} \Rightarrow a_i \in \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n+1}\}$$

$$\text{Also means } \exists a_i \text{ s.t. } p|a_i, a_i \in \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n+1}\}$$

II. $p|a_{n+1} \Rightarrow \exists a_i \text{ s.t. } p|a_i, a_i = a_{n+1}$.

Thus, we get $\exists a_i \text{ s.t. } p|a_i, a_i \in \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n+1}\}$ from the assumption.

Then, we know the original proposition is tautology.

Q4. (a). 12 cents can be formed with four 3-cent stamps.
13 cents can be formed with two 3-cent and one 7-cent
14 cents can be formed with two 7-cent stamps.

(b). Assume $p(n)$, $p(n+1)$, $p(n+2)$ are true.

(c). Prove $p(n+3)$ is true with the assumption.

(d). 1°. $k+1=15 \Rightarrow k=14$, we know $p(14)$ is true from (a)

2°. $k+1 > 15 \Rightarrow k > 14$.

If $p(k) \wedge p(k+1) \wedge p(k+2)$ is true,

then we know $p(k)$ is true, i.e.

\exists integers a and b s.t. $k=3a+7b$

And $k+3=3(a+1)+7b$

$\therefore p(k+3)$ is true since $a+1$ is integer.

From (a), we know $p(12) \wedge p(13) \wedge p(14)$ is true,

then $p(k)$ is true for $k > 14$.

Thus, we prove the inductive step for $k+1 \geq 15$.

(e). We define a new proposition $Q(n) = p(n) \wedge p(n+1) \wedge p(n+2)$

Basic step shows $p(12) \wedge p(13) \wedge p(14) = Q(12)$ is true.

With the IH that $Q(n)$ is true, we prove ~~$p(k+3) \wedge p(n+1) \wedge p(n+2)$~~
 $p(n+3)$ is true.

$Q(n+1) = p(n+1) \wedge p(n+2) \wedge p(n+3)$ is true.

$\{ Q(12) \text{ is true}$

$Q(n) \rightarrow Q(n+1) \text{ is true} \Rightarrow Q(n) \text{ is true for } n \geq 12.$

(By the weak induction)

$\Rightarrow p(n)$ is true for $n \geq 12$

Q5. Algorithm Binary Search by Recursive: (short as BSR)

BSR(integer x , integer left, integer right, integers $a_1, a_2 \dots a_n$ with ordered) (here is increasingly or non-decreasingly)

~~if $i \geq j$~~

we have x for target integer and a_s for sought sequence.

BSR(x, i, j, a_s)

if ($i \geq j$ or $a_i \leq x$ or $a_j < x$) return 0;

$m := \lfloor (i+j)/2 \rfloor$;

if ($x > a_m$) then return BSR($x, m+1, j, a_s$);

if ($x < a_m$) then return BSR($x, i, m-1, a_s$);

if ($x = a_m$) then return m ;

Note: 1. 'return 0' means not found,

2. Initialize the BSR with ~~$i=0$~~ and $j:=n$.
 $i:=1$

Q7. $T(n) = \begin{cases} T(1) & , n=1 \\ aT(\frac{n}{2}) + n \cdot n > 1 \end{cases}$

Then $T(n) = a[aT(\frac{n}{4}) + \frac{n}{2}] + n$

$$\begin{aligned} &= a^2 T(\frac{n}{4}) + n + \frac{1}{2}an \\ &= a^2 [aT(\frac{n}{8}) + \frac{n}{4}] + n + \frac{1}{2}an \\ &= a^3 T(\frac{n}{8}) + n + \frac{1}{2}an + \frac{1}{4}a^2n \\ &= a^3 [aT(\frac{n}{16}) + \frac{n}{8}] + \frac{1}{4}a^2n + \frac{1}{4}\frac{1}{2}an + n \\ &\quad (\dots) \end{aligned}$$

I. $a \neq 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} &= a^{\log_2 n} T(\frac{n}{2^{\log_2 n}}) + \frac{1}{2^{\log_2 n}} a^{\log_2 n} \cdot n + \frac{1}{2^{\log_2 n-1}} a^{\log_2 n-1} \cdot n + \dots n \\ &= a^{\log_2 n} T(1) + \frac{1}{n} \cdot a^{\log_2 n} \cdot n + \frac{2}{n} \cdot a^{\log_2 n-1} \cdot n + \dots n \\ &\quad \underline{m = a^{\log_2 n}} \\ &\quad \underline{mT(1) + \frac{m}{n} \cdot n + \frac{2m}{n} \cdot \frac{n}{a} + \frac{4m}{n} \cdot \frac{n}{a^2} + \dots n} \\ &\quad \quad \quad \frac{2m}{n} \cdot \frac{m}{a} \cdot n + \frac{4m}{n} \cdot \frac{m}{a^2} \cdot n + \dots n \\ &= mT(1) + m + \frac{2m}{a} + \frac{4m}{a^2} + \dots \frac{2^{\log_2 n} m}{a^{\log_2 n}} \\ &= mT(1) + m + \frac{2}{a}m + \frac{4}{a^2}m + \dots \frac{n}{a^{\log_2 n}}m \\ &= mT(1) + m + \frac{2}{a}m + \frac{4}{a^2}m + \dots \frac{n}{m}m \\ &= mT(1) + (1 + \frac{2}{a} + \frac{4}{a^2} + \dots \frac{n}{m})m \\ &= mT(1) + \frac{1 - (\frac{2}{a})^m}{1 - \frac{2}{a}} \cdot m \\ &= m \left[T(1) + \frac{1 - (\frac{2}{a})^m}{1 - \frac{2}{a}} \right] \\ &= \left[T(1) + \frac{1}{1 - \frac{2}{a}} \right] m - \frac{(\frac{2}{a})^m}{1 - \frac{2}{a}} \cdot m \\ &= Am - \frac{m \cdot C^m}{B}, \text{ where } A, B, C \text{ are constant} \\ &= A \sqrt[n]{n} \\ &= \sqrt[n]{n} \left(T(1) + \frac{1}{1 - \frac{2}{a}} \right) - \frac{(\frac{2}{a})^m}{1 - \frac{2}{a}} \end{aligned}$$

Obviously $\theta(n) = \theta(\sqrt[n]{n})$ since $a \in (1, 2)$

and $\frac{(\frac{2}{a})^m}{1 - \frac{2}{a}} = o(n) \Rightarrow T(n) = \theta(n)$

II. $a=1$

then we have $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{\log_2 n}\right) + n + n + \dots + n$

$= T(1) + n \cdot \log_2 n$

$\therefore T(n) = \Theta(n \log_2 n) = \Theta(n)$

Q8. (a) $\binom{13}{2} \binom{4}{3} \binom{4}{2} \binom{2}{1}$

(b) $\binom{13}{2} \binom{11}{1} \binom{4}{2} \binom{4}{2} \binom{4}{1}$

(c) $\binom{13}{5} \binom{4}{1}$

(d) ~~$9 \binom{4}{1}^9$~~ $9 \binom{4}{1}^5$

(e) $\binom{13}{2} \binom{2}{1} \binom{4}{4} \binom{4}{1}$

Q9.

step 1: $\underline{0000} \text{ ---}$

there are 4 positions for these 4 0s.

step 2: each other positions have two possible value.

step 3: Substitute all 0 with 1, all 1 with 0.

step 4: Cross the duplication and out of requirements.

Thus, $4 \cdot \binom{2}{1}^4 \cdot \binom{2}{1} - 2 = 126$ is the answer.

Q10. That is, prove $2022 \mid \frac{2020!}{1010! 1010!}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2020!}{1010! 1010!} &= \frac{1011 \times 1012 \times \dots \times 2020}{1010 \times 1009 \times \dots \times 1} = 2 \times 1010 \times \frac{2019 \times 2018 \times \dots \times 1011}{1010 \times 1009 \times \dots \times 1} \\ &= 2 \times \frac{2019 \times 2018 \times \dots \times 1011}{1009!} \\ &= 2 \times 1011 \times \frac{2019 \times 2018 \times \dots \times 1012 \cdot 1011!}{2020!} \cdot \frac{2020}{2020} \\ &= 2022 \times \binom{2019}{1009} \times \frac{1}{2020} \end{aligned}$$

$\binom{2020}{1010}$ is an integer, then $2022 \mid \binom{2020}{1010}$

Q11.

Q12. The characteristic equation is $r^3 - 3r - 2 = 0$
 solve it and get $r_1 = r_2 = -1$ and $r_3 = 2$

$$\text{If } a_n = 2_1(-1)^n + 2_2(-1)^n n + 2_3(2)^n$$

$$\text{then } \begin{cases} a_0 = 1 = 2_1 + 2_3 + 2_2 \cdot 0 \\ a_1 = -5 = -2_1 - 2_2 + 2_3 \cdot 2 \\ a_2 = 0 = 2_1 + 2_2 + 4_2_3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 2_1 = 2 \\ 2_2 = 1 \\ 2_3 = -1 \end{cases}$$

Thus. we get $a_n = 2(-1)^n + n(-1)^n - 2^n$

Q13. The C.E. is $r - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow r = 2$

Then $a_n = 2 \cdot 2^n + p(n)$. Try $p(n) = an^2 + bn + c$

$$\text{Then } a_n = 2a_{n-1} + n^2 \Rightarrow 2 \cdot 2^n + an^2 + bn + c = (2 \cdot 2^n + a(n-1)^2 + b(n-1) + c) \cdot 2 + n^2$$

$$= 2 \cdot 2^n + 2a(n^2 - 2n + 1) + 2bn + 2c - 2b + n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (a - 2a - 1)n^2 + (b + 4a - 2b)n + c - 2c + 2b - 2a$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} 1 + a = 0 \\ b + 4a - 2b = 0 \\ -c + 2b - 2a = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = -1 \\ b = -4 \\ c = -6 \end{cases} \Rightarrow a_n = 2 \cdot 2^n - n^2 - 4n - 6$$

$$a_1 = 2 \cdot 2 - 1 - 4 - 6 = -2 \Rightarrow 2 = \frac{13}{2} \Rightarrow a_n = \frac{13}{2} \cdot 2^n - n^2 - 4n - 6$$

Q14.

$$a_n = 4a_{n-1} + 8^n, a_0 = 0$$

$$G(x) - a_0 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 4a_{n-1} x^n + 8^n x^n$$

$$= 4x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 8^n x^{n-1}$$

$$= 4x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n + x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 8^{n+1} x^n$$

$$= 4x G(x) + \frac{x}{1-8x}$$

$$\Rightarrow G(x) = \frac{x}{(1-8x)(1-4x)} = \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{1-8x} - \frac{1}{1-4x} \right] = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (8^n x^n - 4^n x^n)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (8^n - 4^n) x^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^n$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n = \frac{1}{4} (8^n - 4^n)$$