## Quiz Questions: Induction and Reduction

1. Which expression does fast recursive exponentiation evaluate when computing a<sup>6</sup>?

A. 
$$(((((a*1)*a)*a)*a)*a)*a)$$

B. 
$$a^1 * (a^0 * (a^3)^2)$$

C. 
$$a^0 * (a^1 * (a^2))^2$$

D. 
$$a^0 * (a^1 * (a^2)^2)$$

2. Which of the following formulae is not well-formed?

A. 
$$(F \leftrightarrow F)$$

B. 
$$(T \leftrightarrow T)$$

C. 
$$(T \rightarrow F)$$

D. 
$$F \rightarrow T$$

3. Suppose f(n) has the recursive definition  $f(n) = \frac{3}{f(n-1)} - n$  and  $f(1) = \frac{1}{2}$ . What is f(2)?

B. 
$$-\frac{1}{2}$$

4. Let  $P(n) = (n!)^2 > n^n$ , where n > 2. What is the statement P(n+1)?

A. 
$$(n!)^2 > (n+1)^{n+1}$$

B. 
$$n! (n+1)! > n^{n+1}$$

C. 
$$(n+1)! \ n! > (n+1)^n$$

D. 
$$((n+1)^2)! > (n+1)^{n+1}$$

5. Let  $3 \in S$  and if x, y in S then  $x * y - 1 \in S$ 

A. 
$$S = \{2, 3, 5, 8, 9, ...\}$$

B. 
$$S = \{3, 9, 27, 81, 243, ...\}$$

C. 
$$S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, ...\}$$

D. 
$$S = \{3, 8, 23, 63, 68, ...\}$$

6. You want to prove by mathematical induction  $1 + 2 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$  for n > 1. The correct statement in the basis step is:

A. 
$$1 + 2^1 = 2^{1+1} - 1$$

B. 
$$1+2+2^2+\cdots+2^{n-1}$$

C. 
$$1 + 2^1 + 2^2 = 2^{2+1} - 1$$

D. 
$$1 + 2 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$$

7. Which of the following functions is not defined recursively?

A. 
$$f(n+1) = (n+2) * f(n-1) + 1$$

B. 
$$f(n) = \frac{n+1}{f(n-1)}$$

C. 
$$f(n) = (n+1) * f(n) + (n+1)$$

D. 
$$f(n+1) = (n-1) * f(n) - 1$$

- 8. A Lucas sequence is defined as f(0) = 0, f(1) = 1, f(n) = f(n-1) + 2 f(n-2). What is f(4)?
  - A. 2
  - B. 3
  - C. 4
  - D. 5

## Answers:

- 1. C
- 2. D
- 3. A
- 4. C
- 5. D
- 6. C
- 7. C
- 8. D