

Note: 6 questions, maximum 13 points, show all steps (as appropriate) to get full credit

1. [2 points] Find the prime factorization of each of these integers.

a) 39

$$39 = 3 \cdot 13$$

b) 81

$$81 = 3^4$$

2. [2 points] What is the greatest common divisor of the following pair of integers

$$3^7 \cdot 5^3 \cdot 7^3 \text{ and } 2^{11} \cdot 3^5 \cdot 5^9$$

$$3^5 \cdot 5^3$$

(Note: you can leave your answer in factored form.)

3. [3 points] Use mathematical induction to prove that

$$1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \cdots + (2n+1)^2 = (n+1)(2n+1)(2n+3)/3$$

whenever n is a nonnegative integer.

Let $P(n)$ be $1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \cdots + (2n+1)^2 = (n+1)(2n+1)(2n+3)/3$.

Basis step: $P(0)$ is true because $1^2 = 1 = (0+1)(2 \cdot 0 + 1)(2 \cdot 0 + 3)/3$.

Inductive step: Assume that $P(k)$ is true.

$$\text{Then } 1^2 + 3^2 + \cdots + (2k+1)^2 + [2(k+1)+1]^2 = (k+1)(2k+1)(2k+3)/3 + (2k+3)^2$$

$$= (2k+3)[(k+1)(2k+1)/3 + (2k+3)]$$

$$= (2k+3)(2k^2+9k+10)/3 = (2k+3)(2k+5)(k+2)/3$$

$$= [(k+1)+1][2(k+1)+1][2(k+1)+3]/3.$$

4. [2 points] Find $f(2)$, $f(3)$, $f(4)$, and $f(5)$ if f is defined recursively by

$$f(0) = -1$$

$$f(1) = 2$$

and for $n = 1, 2, \dots$

$$f(n+1) = f(n) + 3f(n-1)$$

$$f(2) = -1$$

$$f(3) = 5$$

$$f(4) = 2$$

$$f(5) = 17$$