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Assignment 1  
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1. Proof. We let our predicate be  $P(n)$ :

$$(\cos(x) + i \sin(x))^n = \cos(nx) + i \sin(nx) \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Base case:

When  $n = 1$ ,  $(\cos(x) + i \sin(x))^1 = \cos(x) + i \sin(x) = \cos(1x) + i \sin(1x)$

Thus,  $P(1)$  holds.

Induction Step:

Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , suppose  $k \geq 1$  and assume that  $P(k)$  holds.

Want to prove that  $P(k+1)$  holds.

Note that:

$$\begin{aligned} (\cos(x) + i \sin(x))^{k+1} &= (\cos(x) + i \sin(x))^k \cdot (\cos(x) + i \sin(x)) \\ &= [\cos(kx) + i \sin(kx)] \cdot (\cos(x) + i \sin(x)) \quad \# \text{ by I.H.} \\ &= \cos(x)\cos(kx) + i \sin(kx)\cos(x) + i \sin(x)\cos(kx) + i^2 \sin(x)\sin(kx) \\ &= [\cos(x)\cos(kx) - \sin(x)\sin(kx)] + i[\sin(kx)\cos(x) + \sin(x)\cos(kx)] \quad \# \text{ since } i^2 = -1 \\ &= \cos(x + kx) + i \sin(x + kx) \quad \# \text{ by trigonometric equations.} \\ &= \cos[(k + 1)x] + i \sin[(k + 1)x] \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $P(k+1)$  holds.

Therefore, by the principle of simple induction, we've proved that:

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 1, (\cos(x) + i \sin(x))^n = \cos(nx) + i \sin(nx) \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}$

□

2. Proof. For all  $n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 1$ , Let  $P(n)$  denote that if you start the game with a single group of  $n$  coins, then regardless of how you play the game(i.e. no matter how you choose to split up the groups), you always win a total of exactly  $n(n-1)/2$  dollars.

Base case:  $n = 1$ , there is only one coin, we can't split and thus can't gain any dollar.

$\frac{1}{2} \times 1 \times (1-1) = 0$ . Thus  $P(0)$  holds.

Induction Step: Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 1$ . Assume  $\forall 1 \leq j < n, P(j)$  holds. [I.H]

Want to prove that:  $P(n)$  holds

Let  $k$  be an arbitrary natural number,  $1 \leq k < n$  and assume  $n \geq 2$

We split coins into two groups of  $k$  and  $(n-k)$  coins respectively. So, we gain  $(n-k)k$  in this round.

Since  $1 \leq k < n$  and  $1 \leq n-k < n$ , hence by I.H. you will gain  $= \frac{k(k-1)}{2}$  from the first sub pile later and  $\frac{(n-k)(n-k-1)}{2}$  from the second sub pile later.

$$\text{total gain} = (n-k)k + \frac{k(k-1)}{2} + \frac{(n-k)(n-k-1)}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{2nk - 2k^2 + k^2 - k + n^2 - nk - nk + k^2 - n + k}{2} \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{n^2 - n}{2} \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \quad (4)$$

Thus,  $P(n)$  holds.

Therefore, by the Principle of complete induction,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 1, P(n)$  holds.

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3. Proof. Let  $P(n)$  denote that there exists an odd natural number  $m$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n = 2^k \times m$ .  
Want to prove that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 1, P(n)$  holds.

Assume for contradiction, there exists some  $j \in \mathbb{N}, j \geq 1$ , such that  $P(j)$  is false.

Let  $S$  be the set of all positive natural numbers such that  $(j \in \mathbb{N}^+ \wedge j \in S) \Leftrightarrow (P(j) \text{ is false})$ .

Then by assumption,  $S$  is not empty.

By definition of  $S, S \in \mathbb{N}$ , then by Principle of Well-Ordering,  $S$  has a minimum element  $b$ .

Claim:  $b$  cannot be odd.

Proof: Assume  $b$  is odd, we always have  $m = b$ , which is odd natural number and  $k = 0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $b = 2^0 \cdot m$ .

Then  $b$  must be an even number.

So,  $\frac{b}{2} \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\frac{b}{2} \geq 1$ .

Since  $b$  is the minimum element in set  $S$ , so  $\frac{b}{2} \notin S$ .

Thus, by the definition of set  $S, P(\frac{b}{2})$  holds,

which means that there exists an odd natural number  $m$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\frac{b}{2} = 2^k \times m$ .

Then,  $b = 2 \times (\frac{b}{2}) = 2 \times 2^k \times m = 2^{k+1} \times m$ , where  $m$  is odd natural number and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

So,  $P(b)$  holds.

However,  $b \in S$  and by definition of  $S, P(b)$  is false. Then contradiction!

So, the original statement is true.

Therefore, by the Principle of Well-Ordering, we have proved that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 1$ , there exists an odd natural number  $m$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n = 2^k \times m$ .

□

4. Proof.  $\forall$  colored tree  $T \in \mathbb{C}$ , let  $P(T)$  denote that  $T$  contains a leaves-subtree which is a member of  $\mathbb{B}$  and is monochromatic.

Base case: let  $T$  be a single node, by definition it's a member of  $\mathbb{B}$  and monochromatic. Then,  $P(T)$  holds.

Induction step: let  $T_1, T_2, T_3 \in \mathbb{C}$  and have same height. Assume  $P(T_1) \wedge P(T_2) \wedge P(T_3)$  (I.H)

Let  $T \in \mathbb{C}$  and has three subtrees  $T_1, T_2, T_3$

Want to prove that:  $P(T)$  holds

Since  $T_1, T_2, T_3$  are monochromatic by I.H., hence we have 2 different colours and assign them to 3 trees. By Pigeonhole Theorem, at least 2 of 3 trees have the same color.

Since  $T_1, T_2, T_3$  have same height by I.H., then their binary subtrees have same height. So, at least 2 of  $T_1, T_2, T_3$  contain binary subtrees with same height and same colour. These two monochromatic binary subtrees plus the common root of  $T_1, T_2, T_3$  form a new monochromatic binary subtree of  $T$ .

Thus,  $P(T)$  holds.

Therefore, by structural induction,  $\forall$  colored tree  $T \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $P(T)$  holds.

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