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Mathematical Induction

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- (1) Use mathematical induction to prove $2^n < n!$ for every positive integer n with $n \geq 4$

(ii) let, $p(n)$ be a proposition that $2^n < n!$

Basis step: let $p(4)$ will be true for this statement i.e.,

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{L.H.S} = 2^n & \text{R.H.S} = 4! \\ = 2^4 & = 24 \\ = 16 & \end{array}$$

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L.H.S $<$ R.H.S, so $p(4)$ is true.

Inductive step: Assume that $p(n)$ is true that is, assume that $2^n < n!$ under this assumption it must be shown that $p(n+1)$ is true namely $2^{n+1} < (n+1)!$ -① multiplying both sides of the inequality $2^n < n!$ by 2 it follows that, $2 \cdot 2^n < 2 \cdot n!$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{n+1} < (n+1)n!$$

This shows that $p(n+1)$ is true when $p(n)$ is true. Hence it follows that $2^n < n!$ is true for all integers n with $n \geq 4$.

→ 11 Use the mathematical induction to prove the inequality $n < 2^n$ for all positive integer. 11

Let $p(n)$ be the proposition " $n < 2^n$ "

Basis step: $p(1)$ is true, since $1 < 2^1 = 2$

Induction step: Assume that $p(k)$ is true for the positive integer k . That is assume that $k < 2^k$. We have to show that $p(k+1)$ is true i.e we have to show that $k+1 < 2^{k+1}$, adding 1 to both sides of $k < 2^k$ and then noting that $1 \leq 2^k$ gives,

$$k+1 < 2^k + 1 \leq 2^k + 2^k = 2^{k+1}$$

We have shown that $p(k+1)$ is true, namely the $k+1 < 2^{k+1}$ based on the assumption that $p(k)$ is true. Therefore $n < 2^n$ is true for all positive integer n .

→ 1b Use mathematical induction to prove that $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 3 whenever n is a positive integer.

Let $p(n)$ be the proposition $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 3.

Basis step: $p(1)$ is true, since $1^3 - 1 = 0$ is divisible by 3.

Inductive step: Assume that $p(n)$ is true that is assume $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 3. Under this assumption it must be shown that $p(n+1)$ is true namely that,

$(n+1)^3 - (n+1)$ is divisible by 3

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } (n+1)^3 - (n+1) &= (n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n + 1) - (n+1) \\ &= (n^3 - n) + 3(n^2 + n) - 1 \end{aligned} \quad \dots \textcircled{1}$$

since both terms of (1) are divisible by 3 it follows that $(n+1)^3 - (n+1)$ is also divisible by 3. This complete the induction step. Thus by the principle of mathematical induction, $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 3 when n is a positive integer.

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E prove that if n is a positive integer then n has a prime divisor less than or equal to \sqrt{n} .

Let a and b are two positive integer. If n is composable it has a factor with $1 < a < n$. since $a \neq n$ then we can write $n = ab$. ✓

we see that $a \leq \sqrt{n}$ or $b \leq \sqrt{n}$

otherwise $a \cdot b > \sqrt{n} \cdot \sqrt{n}$

$$ab > n$$

Hence n has a prime divisor not exceeding \sqrt{n} . This divisor is either prime or by the fundamental of arithmetic has a prime divisor. In either case n has a prime divisor less than or equal \sqrt{n} . 2k✓

R composite numbers: A positive integer that is greater than 1 and is not prime is called composite number.

Ques 11.16
what do you mean by vacuous and trivial proof?

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P	Q	$P \rightarrow Q$
T	T	T
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F	T	T
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Let S be a universal set, $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ be two open sentences. For $x \in S$, it can be shown that $q(x)$ is true regardless of the true value of $p(x)$. Then $p(x) \rightarrow q(x)$ is true of all $x \in S$. In this case $p \rightarrow q$ is true trivially. such a proof called trivial proof.

Result : Let $x \in R$. If $x > 0$ then $x^2 + 5 > 0$

proof : since $x^2 > 0$, for all $x \in R$, it follows that

$$x^2 + 5 > x^2 > 0$$

Hence $x^2 + 5 > 0$

Note that we did not use the fact that $x > 0$, since it holds for all $x \in R$.

Now, if it can be shown that $p(x)$ is false always, Then $p(x) \rightarrow q(x)$ is true for all values of $x \in S$.

That is $P \rightarrow Q$ is true vacuously such a proof
is called a vacuous proof.

Result : Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$, If $x^2 + 1 < 0$ then $x^2 > 0$

proof : observe that $x^2 + 1 > x^2 > 0$.

Thus $x^2 + 1 < 0$ is false for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and so the implication is true.

soln's $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ if and only if m divides $a-b$. see that $a-a=0$ is divisible by m because $0=0 \cdot m$

Hence $a \equiv a \pmod{m}$ so congruence modulo m is reflexive.

suppose that $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$

$$\Rightarrow a-b = km \text{ (where } k \text{ is an integer)}$$

$$\Rightarrow b-a = (-k)m$$

so $b \equiv a \pmod{m}$. Hence congruence modulo m is symmetric.

Next $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$

and $b \equiv c \pmod{m}$ [m divides both $a-b$ and $b-c$]

$$a-b = km$$

and $b-c = lm$ [where k and l integer]

Adding these two equation

$$a-b+b-c = km+lm$$

$$\Rightarrow a-c = km+lm$$

$$\Rightarrow a-c = m(k+l)$$

$$\Rightarrow a \equiv c \pmod{m}$$

so congruence modulo m is transitive.