## Homework Assignment 6

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1. Base Case: When n=1 the equation is  $1 \times 1! = 2! - 1$ , which is true. Induction: When n=k+1 and assume that it works for k when k>0.

LHS = 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (i \times i!)$$
  
=  $\sum_{i=1}^{k} (i \times i!) + (k+1) \times (k+1)!$ 

Due to the assumption:  $= (k+1)! - 1 + (k+1) \times (k+1)!$ =  $(k+1)! \times (k+2) - 1$ = (k+2)! - 1

This proves that the claim holds for n = k + 1.

2. Base Case: When n = 0 the claim is  $5 \mid 3^1 + 2^1$ , which is true.

Induction: When n = k + 1 and assume that it works for k when  $k \ge 0$ .

$$3^{3n+4} + 2^{n+2}$$

$$3^3 \times 3^{3n+1} + 2 \times 2^{n+1}$$

$$27 \times 3^{3n+1} + 2 \times 2^{n+1}$$

$$25 \times 3^{3n+1} + 2 \times (2^{n+1} + 3^{3n+1})$$

With the induction:  $5 | 2 \times (2^{n+1} + 3^{3n+1})$ 

$$5 \mid 25 \times 3^{3n+1}$$
 because  $5 \mid 25$ 

This proves that the claim holds for n = k + 1.

3. Base Case: When n=0 the claim is  $0\times 1\times 2=0\times 1\times 2\times 3\div 4$ , which is true because both sides of the equation evaluate to 0.

Induction: When n = k + 1 and assume that it works for k when  $k \ge 0$ . LHS:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k+1} i(i+1)(i+2)$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k} i(i+1)(i+2) + (k+1)(k+2)(k+3)$$

With the induction:  $k(k + 1)(k + 2)(k + 3) \div 4 + (k + 1)(k + 2)(k + 3)$ 

$$k(k+1)(k+2)(k+3) \div 4 + 4(k+1)(k+2)(k+3) \div 4$$

$$(k+4)(k+1)(k+2)(k+3) \div 4 = (k+1)(k+2)(k+3)(k+4) \div 4$$

This proves that the claim holds for n = k + 1.

4. Base Case: When 
$$n = 1$$
 the claim is  $\frac{1}{1 \times 2} = 1 - \frac{1}{1+1}$ , and  $1/2 = 1/2$ .

Induction: When n = k + 1 and assume that it works for k when k > 0. LHS:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \frac{1}{i \times (i+1)}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{1}{i \times (i+1)} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)}$$

With the induction: 
$$1 - \frac{1}{k+2} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)}$$

$$1 - \frac{k+1}{(k+1)(k+2)} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)}$$

$$1 - \frac{k+2}{(k+1)(k+2)}$$

$$1 - \frac{1}{k+1}$$

This proves that the claim holds for n = k + 1.

- 5. NOT DONE (not induction)
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- 7. Base Case: When n=2 the claim is  $1+\frac{1}{4}<2-\frac{1}{2}$ , and which is clearly true.

Induction: When n = k + 1 and assume that it works for k when  $k \ge 2$ .

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \frac{1}{i^2} < 2 - \frac{1}{k+1}$$

$$\frac{1}{(k+1)^2} < (2 - \frac{1}{k+1}) - \sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{1}{i^2}$$

With the induction (RHS - at most):  $\frac{1}{(k+1)^2} < (2 - \frac{1}{k+1}) - (2 - \frac{1}{k})$ 

$$\frac{1}{(k+1)^2} < \frac{1}{k} - \frac{1}{k+1}$$
$$\frac{1}{(k+1)^2} < \frac{1}{k(k+1)}$$
$$(k+1)^2 > k(k+1)$$

$$k + 1 > k$$

This proves that the claim holds for n = k + 1.

8. Base Case: When n=1 the claim is  $1+1/2^1 \ge 1+1/2$ , which is clearly true. Induction: When n=k+1 and assume that it works for k when k>0. LHS:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2^{k+1}} 1/i \ge 1 + \frac{k+1}{2}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2^k} 1/i + \sum_{i=2^k+1}^{2^{k+1}} 1/i \ge 1 + \frac{k+1}{2}$$

With the induction (LHS - at least):  $(1+\frac{k}{2})+\sum_{i=2^k+1}^{2^{k+1}}1/i\geq 1+\frac{k+1}{2}$ 

$$\sum_{i=2^k+1}^{2^{k+1}} 1/i \ge \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2^k + 1} + \ldots + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \ge \frac{1}{2}$$

Since  $2^{k+1} = 2 \times 2^k = 2^k + 2^k$ ,  $2^{k+1} - 2^k = 2^k$ . That way there are  $2^k$  fractions being added. Every fraction is  $\geq \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$  so LSH  $\geq \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \times 2^k$ 

$$\frac{2^k}{2^{k+1}} \ge \frac{1}{2}$$
 because  $\frac{2^k}{2^{k+1}} = \frac{1}{2}$ .

This proves that the claim holds for n = k + 1.