

CS 222 Homework 4

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1. (25 pts) Prove by induction: **P**: $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, (2c+1)^n$ is an odd number, where $c \in \mathbb{Z}$

P(n): $(2c+1)^n$

Base Step - $P(n=1) = (2c+1)^1 = 2c+1 \Rightarrow$ this is an odd number

Induction Step - Assume by Induction Hypothesis **P(n)** holds for all n.

Prove - **P(n+1)**

$$(2c+1)^{n+1} = (2c+1)^n \times (2c+1)^1$$

$= \text{odddnumber} \times \text{odddnumber}$ will always produce an odd number.

\therefore **P(n)** holds by induction. ✓

2. (25 pts) Prove by induction: **P**: $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2^i} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$

P(n): $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2^i} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$

Basis Step - $P(n=1) = \frac{1}{2^1} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^1} \Rightarrow 1 = 1$

Induction Step - Assume by Induction Hypothesis **P(n)** holds for all n.

Prove - **P(n+1)**

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

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2^i} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$1 - \frac{1}{2^n} + \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$$

$$1 - \frac{1}{2^n} \times \frac{2}{2} + \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} + \frac{2}{2^{n+1}} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$$

$$1 + \frac{-1+2}{2^{n+1}} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$$

\therefore **P(n)** holds by induction. ✓

3. (25 pts) Prove by induction: **P**: $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, 8^n - 3^n \equiv 5k$

P(n): $8^n - 3^n$ is divisible by 5.

Base Step - $P(n=1) = 8^1 - 3^1 = 8 - 3 = 5 \equiv 5k$ ✓

Induction Step - Assume by Induction Hypothesis **P(n)** holds for all n.

Prove - **P(n+1)**

$$8^{n+1} - 3^{n+1} = 8^n \times 8 - 3^n \times 3 = (5+3) \times 8^n - 3 \times 3^n$$

$$5 + 3(8^n - 3^n) = 5 + 3(5k) \equiv 5k$$

$$8^n - 3^n \equiv 5k$$

\therefore **P(n)** holds by induction. ✓

4. (25 pts) Use **strong induction** to show that you can run any number of miles given the following two facts:

- You can run one mile or two miles.
- You can always run two more miles once you have run a specified number of miles

$P(k)$:

$P(k) : k = 1m + 2n \Rightarrow k = \# \text{ of miles, } m = 1 \text{ mile and } n = 2 \text{ miles}$

Basis Step -

$$P(k = 1) : k = 1, m = 1 \text{ and } n = 0 \rightarrow 1 = 1(1) + 2(0) = 1 \checkmark$$

$$P(k = 2) : k = 2, m = 0 \text{ and } n = 1 \rightarrow 2 = 1(0) + 2(1) = 2 \checkmark$$

Induction Step -

Assume by induction hypothesis that $P(1)$ to $P(k)$ is true.

Prove $P(k+1)$:

Induction

$$(k + 1) > 2$$

$$(k + 1) - 2 > 2 - 2 = 0$$

$$(k + 1) - 2 > 0$$

Proof:

$(k + 1) - 2$ is within the range of $P(1)$ to $P(k)$

$$(k + 1) - 2 \leq 1m + 2n$$

$$(k + 1) - 2 \leq k$$

$$k - 1 \leq k \checkmark$$