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CS-225: Discrete Structures in CS

Homework 5, Part 2

Exercise Set 5.4: Problem: #3, #7, #8.a

Extra Canvas Problem

Set 5.4

#3.

Let the property $P(n)$ be the statement " c_n is even" for each integer $n \geq 0$. Let c_0, c_1, c_2 be the sequence defined by $c_0 = 2$, $c_1 = 2$, and $c_2 = 6$.

Basis step:

$P(0)$, $P(1)$, and $P(2)$. We are given $c_0 = 2$, $c_1 = 2$, and $c_2 = 6$, and 2 and 6 are all even integers. Thus, basis cases $P(0)$, $P(1)$, and $P(2)$ are true.

Inductive hypothesis:

Let k be any integer with $k \geq 2$, suppose that $P(i)$ is true for each integer i with $0 \leq i \leq k$.

c_i is even for each integer i with $0 \leq i \leq k$.

Inductive step:

We must show that $P(k+1)$ is true. That means we must show that c_{k+1} is even

$c_k = 3c_{k-3}$ thus

$c_{k+1} = 3c_{k-2}$

By the inductive hypothesis, $k-2$ is definitively $\leq k$. Thus, c_{k-2} is even and can be expressed as $2r$, as an even integer is defined as twice some integer.

$= 3(2r)$

Let $s = (2r)$. Then

$= 2s$.

Therefore, c_{k+1} can be expressed as twice some integer, which means c_{k+1} is even. This proves that $P(k+1)$ is true [since both the basis step and inductive step have been proved, $P(n)$ is true for all integers $n \geq 0$].

#7.

Let g_0, g_1, g_2 be the sequence defined by $g_0 = 2, g_1 = 2$, and $g_k = 3g_{k-1} - 2g_{k-2}$ for each integer $k \geq 3$. Let the property $P(n)$ be the statement " $g_n = 2^n + 1$ " for each integer $n \geq 1$, which we will prove by strong induction.

Basis step:

$$P(1) = g_1 = 2^1 + 1 = 3$$

$$P(2) = g_2 = 2^2 + 1 = 5$$

Also, we are given the values of g_1 and g_2 by the sequence definition. Thus, basis cases $P(1)$, and $P(2)$ are true.

Inductive hypothesis:

Let k be any integer with $k \geq 2$, suppose that $P(i)$ is true for each integer i with $0 \leq i \leq k$.

$g_i = 2^i + 1$ for all integers i from through k

Inductive step:

We must show that $P(k+1)$ is true. That is, we must show that $g_{k+1} = 2^{k+1} + 1$.

$$g_k = 3g_{k-1} - 2g_{k-2} \text{ thus}$$

$$g_{k+1} = 3g_{k-1+1} - 2g_{k-2+1}$$

$$= 3g_k - 2g_{k-1}$$

$$= 3(2^k + 1) - 2(2^{k-1} + 1) \quad \text{by inductive hypothesis}$$

$$= 3 \cdot 2^k + 3 - 2 \cdot 2^{k-1} - 2 \quad \text{by distributive property}$$

$$= 3 \cdot 2^k + 3 - 2 \cdot 2^k \cdot 2^{-1} - 2 \quad \text{by exponent laws}$$

$$= 3 \cdot 2^k + 3 - (2 \cdot 2^k \cdot \frac{1}{2}) - 2 \quad \text{as } 2^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 3 \cdot 2^k + 3 - (2^k \cdot 1) - 2 \quad \text{by arithmetic}$$

$$= 3 \cdot 2^k - 2^k + 1 \quad \text{" "}$$

$$= (2^k + 2^k + 2^k) - 2^k + 1 \quad \text{by expressing } 3 \cdot 2^k \text{ alternatively}$$

$$= 2^k + 2^k + 1$$

$$= 2 \cdot 2^k + 1 \quad \text{by exponent laws}$$

$$= 2^{k+1} + 1$$

Therefore, $P(k+1)$ is true. Also, since the basis step and inductive step have been proven, the statement $P(n)$: " $g_n = 2^n + 1$ " for each integer $n \geq 1$ is true.

#8.a.

Let the property $P(n)$ be the statement “ $h_n \leq 3^n$ ” for each integer $n \geq 0$. Let h_0, h_1, h_2 be the sequence defined by $h_0 = 1$, $h_1 = 2$, and $h_2 = 3$.

Basis step:

Using $h_n \leq 3^n$

$$P(0): h_0 = 1 \leq 1 = 3^0$$

$$P(1): h_1 = 2 \leq 3 = 3^1$$

$$P(2): h_2 = 3 \leq 9 = 3^2$$

Also, we are given the values of h_0, h_1 , and h_2 by the sequence definition. Thus, basis cases $P(0)$, $P(1)$, and $P(2)$ are true.

Inductive hypothesis:

Let $P(0), P(1), P(2)$ to $P(k)$ be true. Suppose that $P(i)$ is true for each integer $i = 0, 1, 2 \dots k$ where $k \geq 2$.

$h_i \leq 3^i$ for all integers i through k

Inductive step:

We must show that $P(k+1)$ is true

$$h_{k+1} = 3^{k+1}$$

$$h_{k+1} = h_{k+1-1} + h_{k+1-2} + h_{k+1-3} \quad \text{by sequence of } h_k = h_{k-1} + h_{k-2} + h_{k-3}$$

$$= h_k + h_{k-1} + h_{k-2}$$

$$\leq 3^k + 3^{k-1} + 3^{k-2} \quad \text{by inductive hypothesis}$$

$$\leq 3^k + 3^k + 3^k \quad \text{by } 3^k, 3^{k-1}, 3^{k-2} \text{ each } \leq 3^k$$

$$= 3 \cdot 3^k = 3^{k+1}$$

Therefore, $P(k+1)$ is true. Also, since the basis step and inductive step have been proven, the statement $P(n)$: “ $P(n)$ be the statement “ $h_n \leq 3^n$ ” for each integer $n \geq 0$ is true.

Extra question on Canvas

a.

Basis step:

$$P(12) \ 12 = 3(4)$$

$$P(13) \ 13 = 2(4) + 1(5)$$

$$P(14) \ 14 = 1(4) + 2(5)$$

$$P(15) \ 15 = 3(5)$$

b.

Let k be any integer with $k \geq 15$. Suppose $P(i)$ is true for each i with $12 \leq i \leq k$.

c.

In the inductive step, we must prove that $P(k+1)$ is true. That is, form $P(k+1)$ cents of postage using just 4 cent and 5 cent stamps.

d.

$P(k-3)$ formed by 4 cent and 5 cent stamps is obtained from the inductive hypothesis. Since we have the sequence for $P(12)$, we simply need to add one more 4 cent coin to that, thus

$$\begin{aligned} P_{(k+1)} &= P_{(k-3)} + 4 && \text{by sequence } P(12) + \text{one 4 cent coin} \\ &= (4a + 5b) + 4 && \text{by inductive hypothesis where } p_i = 4a + 5b \\ &= 4a + 4 + 5b \\ &= 4(a+1) + 5b && \text{by algebra} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $P(k+1)$ is true. Also, since the basis step and inductive step have been proven, the given statement is true.