

## HOMEWORK 5

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**Proposition 4.6.** *Let  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $k, m \in \mathbb{Z} \geq 0$ .*

(i) *If  $b \in \mathbb{N}$  then  $b^k \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

(ii)  *$b^m b^k = b^{m+k}$ .*

(iii)  *$(b^m)^k = b^{mk}$ .*

*Proof.* (i) Isolate  $P(k)$ : " $b^k \in \mathbb{N}$ "

**Base.**  $k = 0$ ,  $b^0 = 1$ . By definition, we have that  $1 \in \mathbb{N}$ , so  $P(0)$  holds.

**successor** Suppose  $P(n)$  holds. That is,  $b^n \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $(b^n) \cdot b \in \mathbb{N}$ , since  $b \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{N}$  is closed under multiplication. By definition,  $b^{n+1} = b^n \cdot b$ . Hence  $b^{n+1} \in \mathbb{N}$ . That is  $P(n+1)$  holds. This completes the induction.

(ii) We argue by induction on the claim  $P(k)$  " $b^m b^k = b^{m+k}$ ."

**Base.**  $k = 0$ . In this case  $b^0 = 1$ , by definition. So  $b^m b^k = b^m \cdot 1 = b^m$ . Plainly,  $b^{m+0} = b^m$ .

**Successor.** Suppose  $P(n)$  holds. Consider  $b^m b^{n+1}$ . By definition,  $b^{n+1} = b^n b$ . So we may write  $b^m b^{n+1} = (b^m b^n) b$ . On the other hand,  $(b^m b^n) b = b^{m+n+1}$ . We conclude that  $b^m b^{n+1} = b^{m+n+1}$ . The induction is complete, so we conclude that  $P(n)$  holds for all  $n$ .

(iii) We argue by induction on the claim  $P(k)$  " $(b^m)^k = b^{mk}$ "

**Base.**  $k = 0$ .  $(b^m)^0$ . By definition,  $(b^m)^0 = 1 = b^{m0} = b^0$  by our axioms for the integers.

**Successor.** Suppose  $P(n)$  holds. That is,  $(b^m)^n = b^{mn}$ . Consider  $(b^m)^{n+1}$ . By definition,  $(b^m)^{n+1} = (b^m)^n b^m$ .  $(b^m)^n b^m = b^{mn} b^m$ .  $b^{mn} b^m = b^{mn+m}$  By definition. Finally,  $b^{mn+m} = b^{m(n+1)}$ . We conclude that  $(b^m)^{n+1} = b^{m(n+1)}$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 4.7.** *For all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ :*

(i)  *$5^{2k} - 1$  is divisible by 24;*

(ii)  *$2^{2k+1} + 1$  is divisible by 3;*

(iii)  *$10^k + 3 \cdot 4^{k+2} + 5$  is divisible by 9.*

*Proof.* (i) Let  $P(k)$  be the sentence " $5^{2k} - 1$  is divisible by 24". Consider  $P(1)$ :

**Base.**  $5^{2(1)} - 1 = 5^2 - 1 = 5 \cdot 5 - 1 = 24$ . Thus  $P(1)$  holds.

**Successor.** Suppose  $P(n)$  holds. That is,  $5^{2n} - 1$  is divisible by 24.

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Consider  $5^{2(n+1)} - 1$ .  $5^{2(n+1)} - 1 = 5^{2n+2} - 1$ . By definition,  $5^{2n+2} - 1 = 5^{2n} \cdot 5^2 - 1 = (5^{2n} - 1)5^2 + 5^2 - 1$ . We've assumed that  $5^{2n} - 1 = 24j$ , so we can substitute  $(5^{2n} - 1)5^2 + 5^2 - 1 = 24j \cdot 5^2 + 5^2 - 1 = 24j \cdot 25 + 24 = 24(25j + 1)$ . Hence  $5^{2(n+1)} - 1$  is divisible by 24. We conclude the proposition holds by the principle of induction.

(ii) Let  $P(k)$  be the sentence " $2^{2k+1} + 1$  is divisible by 3." Consider  $P(1)$ :

**Base.**  $2^{2(1)+1} + 1 = 2^3 + 1 = 8 + 1 = 9$ .  $9 = 3(3)$ . We have thus proven  $P(1)$ .

**Successor.** We assume  $P(n)$  holds. That is,  $2^{2n+1} + 1$  is divisible by 3. Consider  $2^{2(n+1)+1} + 1$ .  $2^{2(n+1)+1} + 1 = 2^{2n+3} + 1$ . By definition,  $2^{2n+3} + 1 = 2^{2n+1} \cdot 2^2 + 1 = (2^{2n+1} + 1)2^2 - 2^2 + 1$ . Since we assumed  $P(n)$ , we can substitute  $(2^{2n+1} + 1)2^2 - 2^2 + 1 = 3j2^2 - 2^2 + 1 = 12j - 3 = 3(4j - 3)$ . Hence  $2^{2(n+1)+1} + 1$  is divisible by 3. We have thus proven the proposition by induction.

(iii) Let  $P(k)$  be the sentence " $10^k + 3 \cdot 4^{k+2} + 5$  is divisible by 9." Consider  $P(1)$ :

**Base.**  $10^1 + 3 \cdot 4^{1+2} + 5 = 10 + 3 \cdot 64 + 5 = 10 + 192 + 5 = 207 = 9(23)$ . Hence,  $P(1)$  holds.

**Successor.** Assume  $P(n)$  holds. That is,  $10^n + 3 \cdot 4^{n+2} + 5$  is divisible by 9. Consider  $10^{(n+1)} + 3 \cdot 4^{(n+1)+2} + 5$ .  $10^{(n+1)} + 3 \cdot 4^{(n+1)+2} + 5 = 10^n \cdot 10 + 3 \cdot 4^{n+2} \cdot 4 + 5 = 10^n + 3 \cdot 4^{n+2} + 5 + 9 \cdot 10^n + 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 4^{n+2}$ . Because we assumed  $P(n)$ , we can substitute  $10^n + 3 \cdot 4^{n+2} + 5 + 9 \cdot 10^n + 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 4^{n+2} = 9j + 9 \cdot 10^n + 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 4^{n+2} = 9j + 9 \cdot 10^n + 9 \cdot 4^{n+2} = 9(j + 10^n + 4^{n+2})$ . We have thus shown that  $P(n + 1)$  holds, and have proven the proposition by induction.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.8.** For all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $4^k > k$ .

*Proof.* Let  $P(k)$  be the statement " $4^k > k$ ." Consider  $P(1)$ :

**Base.**  $4^1 = 4 > 1$ . Hence,  $P(1)$  holds.

**Successor.** Assume  $P(n)$  holds. That is,  $4^n > n$ . Consider  $4^{n+1}$ . By definition,  $4^{n+1} = 4^n \cdot 4 > n \cdot 4$  since we assumed  $P(n)$  and by proposition 2.7(iii).  $n \cdot 4 = 4n = 3n + n$ . Because  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $3n \geq 3(1) > 1$ . Therefore,  $3n + n > 1 + n = n + 1$ . We can conclude that  $4^{n+1} > n + 1$ , and have proven the proposition by induction.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.13.** For  $x \neq 1$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ ,  $\sum_{j=0}^k x^j = \frac{1 - x^{k+1}}{1 - x}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $P(k)$  be the statement " $\sum_{j=0}^k x^j = \frac{1 - x^{k+1}}{1 - x}$ ."

Let's first observe  $P(0)$ .

**Base.**  $k = 0$ .  $\sum_{j=0}^0 x^j = x^0 = 1 = \frac{1-x}{1-x}$ . We have thus proven that  $P(0)$  holds.

**Successor** Assume  $P(n)$  holds. Consider  $\sum_{j=0}^{n+1} x^j$ .

$\sum_{j=0}^{n+1} x^j := \sum_{j=0}^n x^j + x^{n+1}$ . By induction,

$$\sum_{j=0}^n x^j + x^{n+1} = \frac{1-x^{n+1}}{1-x} + x^{n+1} = \frac{1-x^{n+1} + (1-x)^{n+1}}{1-x} = \frac{1-x^{n+2}}{1-x}.$$

Hence,  $P(n+1)$  holds, and we have proven the proposition by induction.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.17.** Let  $(x_j)_{j=1}^\infty$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{Z}$ , and let  $a, b, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  be such that  $a \leq b$ . Then  $\sum_{j=a}^b x_j = \sum_{j=a+r}^{b+r} x_{j-r}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $P(a, b)$  be the statement " $\sum_{j=a}^b x_j = \sum_{j=a+r}^{b+r} x_{j-r}$ ". Let's first observe  $P(0, 1)$ .

**Base.**  $a = 0, b = 1$ .  $\sum_{j=0}^1 x_j = x_0 + x_1 = x_{r-r} + x_{1+r-r} = \sum_{j=0+r}^{1+r} x_{j-r}$

**Successor.** Suppose  $P(m, n)$  holds. That is,  $\sum_{j=m}^n x_j = \sum_{j=m+r}^{n+r} x_{j-r}$ .

Consider  $\sum_{j=m+1}^{n+1} x_j$ . We can rewrite this as  $\sum_{j=m}^n x_j + x_{n+1} - x_m$ . By

induction, we have  $\sum_{j=m}^n x_j + x_{n+1} - x_m = \sum_{j=m+r}^{n+r} x_{j-r} + x_{n+1} - x_m$ . By

definition, we have

$$\sum_{j=m+r}^{n+r} x_{j-r} + x_{n+1} - x_m := \sum_{j=m+1+r}^{n+1+r} x_{j-r}. \text{ We have proven } P(m+1, n+1)$$

holds, and thus proven the proposition by the principle of induction.  $\square$

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