Midterm 1- Standard 1

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Problem 1.

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3 Standard 1- Proof by Induction

3.1 Problem 2

Problem 2. Prove by induction that for any integer $n \geq 1$, we have that:

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}\right) \leq 2^n$$

Proof. We proceed by induction on $n \geq 1$:

- **Base Case:**
  When $(n = 1)$

  $$\prod_{k=1}^{1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}}\right) \leq 2^1$$

  $$= (1) * (1 + 1) \leq 2$$
  $$= 2 \leq 2.$$

  Thus the base cases of $n = 1$ holds true.

- **Inductive Hypothesis:** Fix $k \geq 1$, and suppose

  $$\prod_{m=1}^{k} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}\right) \leq 2^k$$

- **Inductive Step:** We now consider the $(k + 1)$ case. We will assume

  $$\prod_{m=1}^{k} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}\right) \leq 2^k$$

  holds true in order to show that

  $$\prod_{m=1}^{k+1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}\right) \leq 2^{k+1}$$

  also is true. Thus, we have:

  $$\prod_{m=1}^{k+1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}\right)$$

Let $(m = 1) = (s)$.

We can note that $2 = (1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}}) = (1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}}) \geq (1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{s+1}}) \geq ..... \geq (1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}) \geq (1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}})$.

Therefore, $[(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}) * (1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m+1}}) * ..... * (1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}) * (1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}})] \leq [(2 * 2)$ "k+1" times].

When $(m = 1)$, the internal argument is equal to 2. As (m) increases, the value of each internal argument is increasingly reduced to a value that is further less than 2 due to the denomenatror increasing in value higher than the constant numerator. Accordingly, the multiplication of these decreasing values until $(m = k + 1)$ yields a product that is less in value than the product of 2 multiplied by itself $(k + 1)$ times.

As desired, we can see that

$$\prod_{m=1}^{k+1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}\right) \leq 2^{k+1}$$

Conclusion: The formula holds true for all $k \geq 1$.
The result follows by induction.

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