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Your assignment must be typed in Word or Latex for exact ONE question per page, and turn in PDF files. Non-typed submissions will NOT be graded.

Problem 1. Find the expression that is the contrapositive of $A \vee \neg B \to C \vee \neg D$.

Apply negation of both sides.

$$\neg (A \lor \neg B) \to \neg (C \lor \neg D) \tag{1}$$

$$\neg A \land B \to \neg C \land D \tag{2}$$

Reversal of hypothesis and conclusion.

$$\neg C \land D \to \neg A \land B \tag{3}$$

(3) is the contrapositive of the expression $A \vee \neg B \to C \vee \neg D$.

Problem 2. Prove the statement $S(n) = \sum_{i=2}^{n} i = (n+2)(n-1)/2$ by induction.

Basis. Show that the statement is true for n = 2.

$$S(2) = (2+2)(2-1)/2 = 2 (4)$$

Hypothesis. Basis n = 2 is true. Assume the statement is true when n is some value larger than 2, such as n = k. That is,

$$S(k) = \sum_{i=2}^{k} i = (k+2)(k-1)/2$$
(5)

Induction. Prove that the statement holds when n = k + 1, given k > 2.

$$S(k+1) = \sum_{i=2}^{k+1} i = k(k+3)/2$$
(6)

Rule of summation.

$$\sum_{i=2}^{k+1} i = \sum_{i=2}^{k} i + (k+1) \tag{7}$$

Apply hypothesis (5) to (7).

$$\sum_{k=2}^{k} i + (k+1) = (k+2)(k-1)/2 + (k+1)$$
(8)

Factor out multiplication.

$$(k+2)(k-1)/2 \to (k^2+1k-2)/2$$
 (9)

Apply common denominator of 2.

$$(k+1) \to (2k+2)/2$$
 (10)

Add the two components from (9) and (10).

$$(k^2 + 1k - 2)/2 + (2k + 2)/2 = (k^2 + 3k)/2$$
(11)

Factor out k.

$$(k^2 + 3k)/2 = k(k+3)/2 (12)$$

(12) is equivalent to (6), so the statement $S(n) = \sum_{i=2}^{n} i = (n+2)(n-1)/2$ is proven by induction.

Problem 3. Prove the statement $n^n/3^n < n!$ for $n \ge 6$ by induction.

Basis. Show that the statement is true for n = 6.

$$S(6) = 6^6/3^6 < 6! = 2^6 < 720 = 64 < 720$$
(13)

Hypothesis. Basis n = 6 is true. Assume the statement is true when n is some value larger than 6, such as n = k. That is,

$$S(k) = k^k/3^k < k! \tag{14}$$

If (14) is true, then it also follows that:

$$k^k < 3^k * k! \tag{15}$$

Induction. Prove that the statement holds when n = k + 1, given $k \ge 6$.

$$S(k+1) = (k+1)^{(k+1)}/3^{(k+1)} < (k+1)!$$
(16)

Multiply both sides by $3^{(k+1)}$, factor out 3.

$$(k+1)^{(k+1)} < 3*3^k*(k+1)! (17)$$

Divide both sides by k + 1.

$$(k+1)^k < 3*3^k*k! (18)$$

Apply hypothesis (15).

$$(k+1)^k < 3 * k^k \tag{19}$$

Raise both sides to power to 1/k

$$(k+1) < 3k \tag{20}$$

(20) holds true, so the statement $S(n) = n^n/3^n < n!$ for $n \ge 6$ is proven by induction.