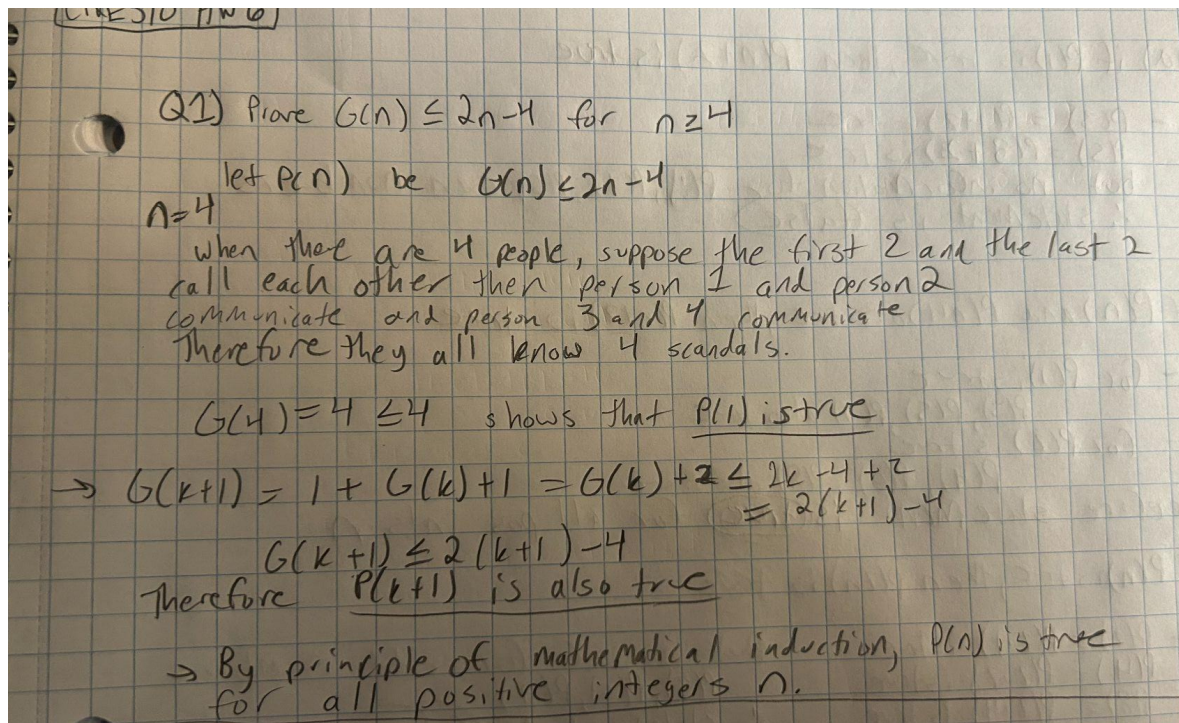


1. Use mathematical induction to prove that $G(n) \leq 2n - 4$ for $n \geq 4$. [Hint: In the inductive step, have a new person call a particular person at the start and at the end.]



2. Suppose you begin with a pile of n stones and split this pile into n piles of one stone each by successively splitting a pile of stones into two smaller piles. Each time you split a pile you multiply the number of stones in each of the two smaller piles you form, so that if these piles have r and s stones in them, respectively, you compute rs . Show that no matter how you split the piles, the sum of the products computed at each step equals $n(n-1)/2$.

Let $P(n)$ be the sum of the products. When $n=2$, we can only split the 2 stones into two piles of 1 stone each. The product is then 1. Therefore $P(2)$ is true.

Now, we assume $P(1)$, $P(2)$, $P(k)$ are all true. Prove that $P(k+1)$ is true. The first move consists of splitting the pile of $k+1$ stones into a pile with j and $k-j+1$ stones.

The sum of the products for the pile of $k+1 = (k+1)((k+1)-1)/2$

By the principle of strong induction $P(n)$ is true for all positive integers n .

3. Suppose that $P(n)$ is a propositional function. Determine for which positive integers n the statement $P(n)$ must be true, and justify your answer, if

Q3) a) if $P(1)$ is true, then $P(n+2)$ is true

- $P(3) = P(1+2)$ is true
 $P(5) = P(3+2)$ is true
 but no information for $P(2), P(4), P(6)$ even numbers
 \therefore statement is false

b) if $P(n)$ and $P(n+1)$ are true, then $P(n+2)$ is true

- for $P(1)$ is true
 $P(3), P(5), P(7)$ also true
 - for $P(2)$ is true
 $P(4), P(6), P(8)$ also true
- Therefore statement is true for all pos ints n

c) if $P(n)$ is true, then $P(2n)$ is true

- $P(2) = P(2 \cdot 1)$ is true
 - $P(4) = P(2 \cdot 2)$ is true
 - $P(8) = P(2 \cdot 4)$ is true
- But no info for odd numbers
 $P(3), P(5), P(7)$
 \therefore statement is false

d) if $P(n)$ is true, then $P(n+1)$ is true

- The func $P(n+1)$ is true for all pos ints n when $P(n)$ is true

$P(2) = P(1+1)$ true
 $P(3) = P(2+1)$ true
 $P(4) = P(3+1)$ true
 \therefore statement is true

4. Devise a recursive algorithm for finding $x^n \pmod m$ whenever n , x and m are positive integers. Also prove that your algorithm is correct. You should use the fact that $x^n \pmod m = (x^{n-1} \pmod m) \cdot x \pmod m \pmod m$.

Input: Positive integers x , n , and m .

If n is 0, return 1 (base case)

If n is even, recursively calculate $y = \text{power}(\text{mod}(x, n/2, m))$ and return $(y*y) \% m$

If n is odd, recursively calculate $y = \text{power}(\text{mod}(x, (n-1)/2, m))$ and return $((y*y)\%m)x \% m$

Output: the result of $x^n \pmod m$

5. How many positive integers between 100 and 999 inclusive
 a) are divisible by 7?

Smallest number: $(7 \cdot 15) = 105$

Largest: $(7 \cdot 142) = 994$

$994 - 105 = 889 / 7 = 127 + 1$ (for starting point) = 128 numbers

b) are odd?

$999 - 100 + 1 = 900 / 2 = 450$

c) have the same three decimal digits?

$9 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 9$ numbers

111, 222, 333, etc

d) are not divisible by 4?

Check for integers divisible by 4 using the product rule,

$|900|/4 = 225$. (which are divisible by 4)

$900 - 225 = 675$ numbers, not divisible

e)are divisible by 3 or 4?

Check for integers divisible by 3 using the product rule,

$|900|/3 = 300$.300 integers are divisible by 3.

225 integers are divisible by 4. (above proved)

Now integers divisible by both 3 and 4, thus divisible by $3 \times 4 = 12$ using the product rule

$|900|/12 = 75 = 300 + 225 - 75 = 450$ numbers divisible

f)are not divisible by either 3 or 4?

Total Number of integers - Number of Integers divisible by 3 or 4

$= 900 - 450 = 450$

g)are divisible by 3 but not by 4?

$= \text{integers divisible by 3} - \text{integers divisible by both 3 and 4}$

$= 300 - 75 = 225$

h)are divisible by 3 and 4?

Integers divisible by both 3 and 4 and thus divisible by $3 \times 4 = 12$, using the product rule

$|900|/12 = 75$

6. How many different functions are there, from a set with 10 elements to sets with the following number of elements?

a)2

$2^{10} = 1024$

b)3

$3^{10} = 59049$

c)4

$4^{10} = 1048576$

d)5

$5^{10} = 9765625$

7. A bowl contains 10 red balls and 10 blue balls. A woman selects balls at random without looking at them.

a)How many balls must she select to be sure of having at least three balls of the same color?

She must select 5 balls. Having only 4 balls, you either have at least 3 of one color or you are in a situation where you have 2 blue balls and 2 red ones. Selecting any additional ball gives you three balls of the same color. Therefore, selecting 5 balls is sufficient.

b)How many balls must she select to be sure of having at least three blue balls?

She must select 13 balls. To see this, consider the scenario that the first ten balls she selects are all red. Then she still needs to pick 3 more balls to have three blue ones.

8. How many numbers must be selected from the set $\{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15\}$ to guarantee that at least one pair of these numbers add up to 16?

The answer is 5. Divide the above numbers into the following 4 groups: $\{1, 15\}$, $\{3, 13\}$, $\{5, 11\}$, $\{7, 9\}$. If we choose 5 numbers out of 4 groups, then by Dirichlet's principle, we'll have at least 2 numbers in the same group, and their sum will be equal to 16.