

CMPE 016. Applied Discrete Math  
Quiz No. 3. (11/20/2003)

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1. What is the value of the sum  $\sum_{i=1}^n (3^i - 5i + 20)$  (20 points)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n (3^i - 5i + 20) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (3^i) + \sum_{i=1}^n (-5i) + \sum_{i=1}^n (20) \\ &= \left(\frac{3^{n+1}-1}{3-1} - 1\right) - 5 \frac{(n+1)n}{2} + 20n \\ &= \left(\frac{3^{n+1}}{2} - 3/2\right) - \frac{5n^2 + 5n}{2} + \frac{40n}{2} \\ &= \frac{3^{n+1} - 5n^2 + 35n - 3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

2. Use mathematical induction to prove  $\sum_{i=1}^n (8i + 2) = 4n^2 + 6n$  (20 points)

Basic Step: The equation is true for  $n=1$  because the left side is 10 and the right side is  $4+6=10$

Induction Step: If  $P(k)$  is true, that means  $\sum_{i=1}^k (8i + 2) = 4k^2 + 6k$ , we need to prove  $P(k+1)$  is

true, that means  $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (8i + 2) = 4(k+1)^2 + 6(k+1)$

Notice that for the left side, the difference between  $P(k)$  and  $P(k+1)$  is  $8(k+1)+2=8k+10$

For the right side, the difference between  $P(k)$  and  $P(k+1)$  is  $4(k+1)^2 + 6(k+1) - 4k^2 - 6k$   
 $= 8k + 4 + 6 = 8k + 10$

The differences between  $P(k)$  and  $P(k+1)$  on both sides are the same, therefore, if  $P(k)$  is true,  $P(k+1)$  is also true.

3. Use mathematic induction to prove  $99n < n^3$  for integer  $n \geq 10$  (20 points)

Basic step: for  $n=10$ ,  $990 < 1000$ , therefore true.

Induction step: The difference between  $P(k)$  and  $P(k+1)$  for the left side is

$$99(k+1) - 99k = 99$$

The difference between  $P(k)$  and  $P(k+1)$  on the right side is  $(k+1)^3 - k^3 = 3k^2 + 3k + 1$

This is larger than 99 when  $n \geq 10$ .

Therefore, if  $P(k)$  is true, then  $P(k+1)$  is also true.

4. Use mathematic induction to prove  $3 \mid 4^n - 1$  (20 points)

Basic step:  $3 \mid 4^1 - 1$  is true

Induction step: if we assume  $3 \mid 4^k - 1$ , we want to prove that  $3 \mid 4^{k+1} - 1$

Notice that the difference between  $4^{k+1} - 1$  and  $4^k - 1$  is  $3 \cdot 4^k$ , which is divisible by 3,

Therefore, if  $3 \mid 4^k - 1$ , then  $3 \mid 4^{k+1} - 1$ .