

CSCI 246: Test 2 (10 points, 4:10-5:20pm)

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Problem 1

(1.1) Calculate the summation

$$\sum_{i=5}^n \frac{1}{i \cdot (i+1)} = \frac{1}{5 \cdot 6} + \frac{1}{6 \cdot 7} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n \cdot (n+1)}.$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i \cdot (i+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}$$

$$\sum_{i=5}^n \frac{1}{i \cdot (i+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1} - \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{1}{i \cdot (i+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1} - \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{20} \right)$$

$\left(\frac{n}{n+1} - \frac{4}{5} \right)$

(1.2) How many zeros are at the end of $45^{10} \cdot 88^5$? Explain how you can answer this question without actually computing the number.

$$45 = 5 \cdot 9 = 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \qquad 88 = 2 \cdot 44 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 22 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 11$$
$$(45)^{10} = (5 \cdot 3 \cdot 3)^{10} = 5^{10} 3^{20} \qquad (88)^5 = (2^3 11)^5 = (2^{15} 11^5)$$

$$\text{ans} = 10$$

$$45^{10} \cdot 88^5 = 5^{10} 3^{20} 2^{15} 11^5$$

factors of 10 are 5 and 2, so for every 5,2 pair in the prime factorization of the number, we add one 0.

We have 10 (5,2) pairs, so 10 zeros.

Problem 2

Prove that $\sqrt{7}$ is irrational.

Assume that $\sqrt{7}$ is rational
let a, b be integers with $b \neq 0$ and a, b are co-primes
so no common factors $\neq 1$

$$\sqrt{7} = \frac{a}{b} \quad 7 = \frac{a^2}{b^2}$$

$7b^2 = a^2$ / therefore a is divisible by 7

$7b^2 = (7k)^2$ let $a = 7k$

$$7b^2 = 49k^2$$

$b^2 = 7k^2$ / therefore b is also divisible by 7

Contradiction with the premise that a and b have greatest common denominator of 1

\therefore assumption is false, so $\sqrt{7}$ must be irrational

Problem 3

Prove that $8^n - 3^n$ is divisible by 5 for every integer $n \geq 0$.

let x be an arbitrary positive integer

$$\text{let } 8^n - 3^n = 5(x)$$

$$\text{basis: } 8^0 - 3^0 = 0 \quad 8^1 - 3^1 = 5 \quad 8^2 - 3^2 = 55$$

IH: Assume that $8^n - 3^n = 5x$ is true for $0 \leq i \leq k$

$$\text{IS: } 8^{n+1} - 3^{n+1} = 5x$$

$$= 8 \cdot 8^n - 3 \cdot 3^n = 5x$$

$$= (5+3) \cdot 8^n - 3 \cdot 3^n = 5 \cdot 8^n + 3 \cdot 8^n - 3 \cdot 3^n$$

$$= 5 \cdot 8^n + 3(8^n - 3^n)$$

$$= 5 \cdot 8^n + 3(5(x)) \quad / \text{ by IH}$$

$$= 5(8^n + 3x)$$

\therefore divisible by 5

Problem 4

Solve the following recurrence relation and prove the correctness of your solution by induction.

$$T(n) = 2T(n/4) + 2n^2,$$

$$T(1) = 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T(n/4) + 2n^2 \\ &= 2 \left[2T\left(\frac{n}{4^2}\right) + 2\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)^2 \right] + 2n^2 \\ &= 4 \left(T\left(\frac{n}{4^2}\right) + \frac{n^2}{4^2} \right) + 2n^2 \\ &= 4 \left[2T\left(\frac{n}{4^3}\right) + 2\left(\frac{n}{4^2}\right)^2 \right] + \frac{n^2}{4^2} + 2n^2 \\ &= 8 \left[T\left(\frac{n}{4^3}\right) \right] + \frac{n^2}{4^3} + \frac{n^2}{4^2} + 2n^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{guess} = 2^i T\left(\frac{n}{4^i}\right) +$$

$$\frac{n^2}{2^i} = 1$$