

1. For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $P_n$  be the statement

$$"5 \mid (n^5 - n)".$$

*Base case:* When  $n = 1$ ,  $1^5 - 1 = 0 = 5 \cdot 0$ . Thus  $P_1$  is true.

*Inductive step:* For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  suppose  $P_k$  is true, that is,  $5 \mid (k^5 - k)$ , which is equivalent to  $5c = k^5 - k$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{N} \iff k^5 = 5c + k$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Want to show that  $P_{k+1}$  is true, i.e.  $5 \mid ((k+1)^5 - (k+1))$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} (k+1)^5 - (k+1) &= k^5 + 5k^4 + 10k^3 + 10k^2 + 5k + 1 - (k+1) \\ &= 5c + k + 5k^4 + 10k^3 + 10k^2 + 5k + 1 - k - 1 \\ &= 5(c + k^4 + 2k^3 + 2k^2 + k). \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $P_{k+1}$  is true and by induction,  $P_n$  is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

2.  $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 4, x_3 = 2x_2 - x_1 + 2 = 8 - 1 + 2 = 9, x_4 = 2x_3 - x_2 + 2 = 18 - 4 + 2 = 16$  and  $x_5 = 2x_4 - x_3 + 2 = 32 - 9 + 2 = 25$ . We conjecture that  $x_n = n^2$ .

For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $P_n$  be the statement  $x_n = n^2$ .

*Base case:*  $x_1 = 1 = 1^2$  and  $x_2 = 4 = 2^2$ , so that  $x_n = n^2$  for  $n = 1$  and  $n = 2$ .

*Inductive step:* Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $k \geq 2$  and suppose  $P_i$  is true for all  $1 \leq i \leq k$ , that is,  $x_i = i^2$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .

Want to show that  $P_{k+1}$  is true, that is,  $x_{k+1} = (k+1)^2$ . Since  $k+1 \geq 3$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+1} &= 2x_k - x_{k-1} + 2 \\ &= 2k^2 - (k-1)^2 + 2 \quad \text{as } x_i = i^2 \\ &= 2k^2 - (k^2 - 2k + 1) + 2 \\ &= k^2 + 2k + 1 \\ &= (k+1)^2, \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $x_{k+1} = (k+1)^2$ . Thus  $P_{k+1}$  is true and by complete induction,  $P_n$  is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , that is  $x_n = n^2$ .

3. For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n \geq 2$ , let  $P_n$  be the statement that

$$(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n)_U^C = (A_1)_U^C \cup (A_2)_U^C \cup \dots \cup (A_n)_U^C.$$

*Base case:* When  $n = 2$ ,  $P_2$  is the statement  $(A_1 \cap A_2)_U^C = (A_1)_U^C \cup (A_2)_U^C$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 x \in (A_1 \cap A_2)_U^C &\iff (x \in U) \wedge (x \notin (A_1 \cap A_2)) \\
 &\iff (x \in U) \wedge (x \notin A_1 \vee x \notin A_2) \\
 &\iff (x \in U \wedge x \notin A_1) \vee (x \in U \wedge x \notin A_2) \\
 &\iff x \in (A_1)_U^C \vee x \in (A_2)_U^C \\
 &\iff x \in (A_1)_U^C \cup (A_2)_U^C,
 \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $(A_1 \cap A_2)_U^C = (A_1)_U^C \cup (A_2)_U^C$  and  $P_2$  is true.

*Inductive step:* Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $k \geq 2$  and suppose  $P_k$  is true, that is,

$$(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_k)_U^C = (A_1)_U^C \cup (A_2)_U^C \cup \dots \cup (A_k)_U^C.$$

If  $T = A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_k$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_k \cap A_{k+1})_U^C &= (T \cap A_{k+1})_U^C \\
 &= T_U^C \cup (A_{k+1})_U^C \\
 &= (A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_k)_U^C \cup (A_{k+1})_U^C \\
 &= (A_1)_U^C \cup \dots \cup (A_k)_U^C \cup (A_{k+1})_U^C,
 \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $P_{k+1}$  is true and by induction,  $P_n$  is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

4. For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $P_n$  be the statement  $(1+x)^n \geq 1+nx$ .

*Base case:*  $P_1$  is true, because  $(1+x)^1 = 1+1 \cdot x \geq 1+1 \cdot x$ .

*Inductive step:* Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $k \geq 2$  and suppose  $P_k$  is true, that is,  $(1+x)^k \geq 1+kx$ . Want to show that  $(1+x)^{k+1} \geq (1+(k+1)x)$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1+x)^{k+1} &= (1+x)^k(1+x) \\
 &\geq (1+kx)(1+x) \quad \text{as} \quad (1+x)^k \geq 1+kx \quad \text{and} \quad (1+x) > 0 \\
 &= 1+kx+x+kx^2 \\
 &\geq 1+kx+x \quad \text{as} \quad kx^2 \geq 0 \\
 &= 1+(k+1)x,
 \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $(1+x)^k \geq 1+kx$ . Thus  $P_{k+1}$  is true and by induction,  $P_n$  is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , that is,  $(1+x)^n \geq 1+nx$ .