

CHAPTER 5 REVIEW:

- (1) *Base Case.* $n = 1$. The left hand side is $\sum_{i=1}^1 3^{i-1} = 3^0 = 1$. The right hand side is $\frac{3^1-1}{2} = 1$. These are equal so it is true for $n = 1$.

Inductive Step. Assume that $\sum_{i=1}^n 3^{i-1} = \frac{3^n-1}{2}$. Prove that $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} 3^{i-1} = \frac{3^{n+1}-1}{2}$. Using the inductive hypothesis, we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} 3^{i-1} = \sum_{i=1}^n 3^{i-1} + 3^{(n+1)-1} = \frac{3^n-1}{2} + 3^n = \frac{3^n-1+2 \cdot 3^n}{2} = \frac{3 \cdot 3^n-1}{2} = \frac{3^{n+1}-1}{2}.$$

- (2) *Base Case.* $n = 1$. The left hand side is $(1 - \frac{1}{2})^1 = \frac{1}{2}$. The right hand side is $1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$. These are equal so it is true for $n = 1$.

Inductive Step. Assume that $(1 - \frac{1}{2})^n \geq 1 - \frac{n}{2}$. Show that $(1 - \frac{1}{2})^{n+1} \geq 1 - \frac{n+1}{2}$. Using the inductive hypothesis, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1} &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^n \\ &\geq \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{n}{2}\right) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{4} = 1 - \frac{n+1}{2} + \frac{n}{4} \\ &\geq 1 - \frac{n+1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

- (3) *Base Case.* $n = 1$. $10^{1+2} + 10^1 + 1 = 1011 = 337 \cdot 3$ is divisible by 3 so it is true for $n = 1$.

Inductive Step. Assume that $10^{n+2} + 10^n + 1$ is divisible by 3. That is, assume that $10^{n+2} + 10^n + 1 = 3k$, or $10^{n+2} + 10^n = 3k - 1$, for some integer k . Prove that $10^{n+3} + 10^{n+1} + 1$ is divisible by 3. Using the induction hypothesis we have

$$10^{n+3} + 10^{n+1} + 1 = 10(10^{n+2} + 10^n) + 1 = 10(3k - 1) + 1 = 30k - 10 + 1 = 3(10k - 3)$$

so it is divisible by 3.

- (4) (a) $a_1 = 1$ and $a_n = 6a_{n-1} - 1$ for $n \geq 2$.
 (b) $a_1 = 3$ and $a_n = \frac{1}{2}(a_{n-1}^2 + 1)$ for $n \geq 2$.
 (c) $a_1 = 1$ and $a_n = (\sqrt{a_{n-1}} + n)^2$ for $n \geq 2$.

- (5) *Base Cases.* $n = 1$. $\frac{2}{9} \left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{1-1}\right) = \frac{2}{9}(1 - 1) = 0 = a_1$. $n = 2$.
 $\frac{2}{9} \left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2-1}\right) = \frac{2}{9} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{2}{9} \cdot \frac{3}{2} = \frac{1}{3} = a_2$. Thus it is true for $n = 1$ and $n = 2$.

Inductive Step. Assume the formula works for all k with $1 \leq k \leq n$. In particular, assume that $a_n = \frac{2}{9} \left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1}\right)$ and that $a_{n-1} = \frac{2}{9} \left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2}\right)$.

Prove that $a_{n+1} = \frac{2}{9} \left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n\right)$. We use the recursive definition of the sequence and the induction hypothesis to get

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_{n+1} &= \frac{1}{2}(a_n + a_{n-1}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2}{9} \left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1}\right) + \frac{2}{9} \left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2}\right) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{9} \left[1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-1} + 1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{9} \left[2 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} + 1\right) \right] \\
 &= \frac{2}{9} \left[1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-2} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \right] \\
 &= \frac{2}{9} \left[1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

- (6) This is an arithmetic sequence with $a = 5$ and $d = 4$.
- (a) $a_{32} = a + (32 - 1)d = 5 + 31 \cdot 4 = 129$. $a_{100} = 5 + 99 \cdot 4 = 401$.
 - (b) Notice that $125 = 129 - 4$, so 125 will be the term just before 129 in the sequence. So $a_{31} = 125$.
 - (c) Now $429 = 401 + 28$. $28 = 4 \cdot 7$, so 429 should be in the sequence seven terms along, so $a_{107} = 429$. 1000 is not in the sequence because our sequence consists only of odd numbers because we add an even number to an odd number each time.
 - (d) The sum is $S = \frac{18}{2}[2a + (18 - 1)d] = 9[10 + 17 \cdot 4] = 702$.
- (7) (a) If it is arithmetic, $a = 6$ and $d = -4$. So $a_{27} = 6 + (27 - 1)(-4) = -98$. The sum of the first 30 terms is $\frac{30}{2}[2 \cdot 6 + (30 - 1)(-4)] = -1560$.
- (b) If it is geometric, $a = 6$ and $r = \frac{1}{3}$. So $a_{27} = ar^{27-1} = 6 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{26}$. The sum of the first 30 terms is $\frac{6(1 - \frac{1}{3^{30}})}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} = 9 \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^{30}}\right)$.
- (8) (a) $f_0 = 1$, $f_1 = 1$, and $f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$ for $n \geq 2$.
- (b) It is not possible for three consecutive terms to be odd. Suppose two terms, f_n and f_{n+1} are both odd. Then the next term is their sum which must be even since they are both odd.
 - (c) It is not possible for two consecutive terms to be even. Suppose f_n and f_{n+1} are both even. Since $f_{n+1} = f_n + f_{n-1}$, we must have that f_{n-1} is even. Since $f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$, we must have that f_{n-2} is even and so on. So every preceding term must be even. However, we know that there are odd terms in the sequence, so this cannot happen.
- (9) The characteristic polynomial is $x^2 - 5x + 4 = (x - 1)(x - 4)$, which has roots 1 and 4. The solution is of the form

$$a_n = c_1 1^n + c_2 4^n = c_1 + c_2 4^n.$$

Use the initial conditions to solve for the constants. $a_0 = -3 = c_1 + c_2 4^0$ so $c_1 + c_2 = -3$. $a_1 = 6 = c_1 + c_2 4^1$ so $c_1 + 4c_2 = 6$. We now have two equations and two unknowns which is easily solved for $c_1 = -6$ and $c_2 = 3$. The solution is

$$a_n = -6 + 3 \cdot 4^n.$$