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TERM TEST #1

CSC 236H1

DURATION — 50 MINUTES

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Good Luck!

QUESTION 1. [5 MARKS]

Use Mathematical Induction to prove that for every positive (i.e. greater than 0) natural number n , $\sum_{i=0}^n 2^i = 2^{n+1} - 1$.

PROOF: For convenience I define the predicate $P(n)$: " $\sum_{i=0}^n 2^i = 2^{n+1} - 1$." I now prove $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^+, P(n)$ by mathematical induction.

[Base case, $n=1$:] In this case $\sum_{i=0}^1 2^i = 2^0 + 2^1 = 3 = 2^2 - 1$, which verifies $P(1)$.

INDUCTION STEP: Assume n is an arbitrary positive integer and assume $P(n)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} 2^i &= \left(\sum_{i=0}^n 2^i \right) + 2^{n+1} && \# \text{ rewrite sum} \\ &= 2^{n+1} - 1 + 2^{n+1} && \# \text{ by IH} \\ &= 2^{n+2} - 1 = 2^{(n+1)+1} - 1\end{aligned}$$

Since I assumed $n \in \mathbb{N}^+$ and $P(n)$ and derived $P(n+1)$, I have shown $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^+, P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$.

I conclude $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^+, P(n)$, by mathematical induction.

QUESTION 2. [5 MARKS]

Recall the definition of a full binary tree: a binary tree where each interior node has exactly two children (leaves, by definition, have exactly zero children). Use Complete Induction on the number of nodes, n , to prove that any non-empty full binary tree has exactly one more node than it has edges.

PROOF: For convenience I define the predicate $P(n)$ "Any full binary tree with n nodes has $n - 1$ edges."

I now prove $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n)$ by complete induction.

INDUCTION STEP: Assume $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and assume $P(i)$ for all natural numbers $i, 0 \leq i < n$.

CASE $n \leq 1$: The only non-empty full binary tree with no more than 1 node consists of just the root node and no edges. In this case there are $n = 1$ nodes and $n - 1 = 0$ edges, which verifies $P(n)$.

CASE $n > 1$: In this case, the root has at least one child and (being a full binary tree) it has both a left and right child, and each of these are roots of full binary sub-trees. Call these sub-trees T_L and T_R , with n_L and n_R nodes, respectively. Both T_L and T_R have fewer nodes than the original tree (they lack, at least, the root) so we know $0 \leq n_L, n_R < n$, so the sub-trees contribute $n_L - 1$ and $n_R - 1$ edges respectively, by the IH. The total number of nodes in the original tree are comprised of those in each sub-tree plus the root, whereas the total number of edges are comprised of those in each sub-tree plus two connecting the sub-trees to the root. This means that the number of edges in the original tree is

$$n_L - 1 + n_R - 1 + 2 = n_L + n_R = n - 1$$

Since I assumed $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $P(i)$ whenever $0 \leq i < n$ and then derived $P(n)$, I have shown that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(0) \wedge \dots \wedge P(n - 1) \Rightarrow P(n)$.

I conclude $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n)$ by complete induction.

QUESTION 3. [5 MARKS]

Recall the definition of the Fibonacci sequence:

$$F(n) = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } n < 2 \\ F(n-2) + F(n-1) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Use Mathematical Induction to prove that for every natural number n , $\sum_{i=0}^n F(2i+1) = F(2n+2)$.

PROOF: For convenience I define the predicate $P(n) : \sum_{i=0}^n F(2i+1) = F(2n+2)$. I prove $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n)$ by mathematical induction.

BASE CASE: $P(0)$ states that $\sum_{i=0}^0 F(2 \cdot 0 + 1) = F(1) = F(2 \cdot 0 + 2) = F(2) = 1$, which is certainly true.

INDUCTION STEP: Assume $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and assume $P(n)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} F(2i+1) &= \left(\sum_{i=0}^n F(2i+1) \right) + F(2(n+1)+1) && \# \text{ rewrite sum} \\ &= F(2n+2) + F(2n+3) && \# \text{ by IH} \\ &= F(2n+4) = F(2(n+1)+2) && \# \text{ definition of } F(2n+4), 2n+4 > 1 \end{aligned}$$

Since I assumed n was a generic natural number and $P(n)$ and then derived $P(n+1)$, I have shown $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$.

Given the base case and the induction step, by the principle of mathematical induction I conclude $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n)$.

Please note that in spite of the definition of $F(n)$ having 2 base cases, this proof requires only one.

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