

Q1]... [10 points] State the *Principle of Induction*.

$P(n)$ is a statement about the positive integer n .

- $P(1)$ true
 - $P(k)$ true $\Rightarrow P(k+1)$ true
- $\Rightarrow P(n)$
- true
- $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Give a proof by induction that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

Proof by Induction

• $P(1)$ true. $\sum_{i=1}^1 i^2 = 1^2 = 1$, and $\frac{1(1+1)(2(1)+1)}{6} = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3}{6} = 1$

Therefore, $\sum_{i=1}^1 i^2 = \frac{1(1+1)(2(1)+1)}{6}$ & so $P(1)$ true.

• $P(k)$ true $\Rightarrow P(k+1)$ true.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} i^2 &= 1^2 + \dots + (k+1)^2 = (1^2 + \dots + k^2) + (k+1)^2 \\ &= \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6} + (k+1)^2 \quad \dots \text{by Ind}^e \text{ hypothesis } (P(k) \text{ true}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $P(k+1)$ true.

That is

$P(k)$ true $\Rightarrow P(k+1)$ true.

Finally, Principle of Induction implies that $P(n)$ true for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{(k+1) [k(2k+1) + 6(k+1)]}{6} \\ &= \frac{(k+1) (2k^2 + 7k + 6)}{6} \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(2k+3)}{6} = \frac{(k+1)((k+1)+1)(2(k+1)+1)}{6} \end{aligned}$$

Q2]... [10 points] Give the definition of $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$.

$$a \equiv b \pmod{m} \text{ means } m \mid (b-a)$$

Suppose that $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$, and that $a' \equiv b' \pmod{m}$. Prove one of the following conclusions. $a + a' \equiv b + b' \pmod{m}$, and $aa' \equiv bb' \pmod{m}$.

sum: $a \equiv b \pmod{m} \Rightarrow m \mid (b-a) \Rightarrow b-a = km$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$,
 $a' \equiv b' \pmod{m} \Rightarrow m \mid (b'-a') \Rightarrow b'-a' = k'm$ for some $k' \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } (b+b') - (a+a') &= (b-a) + (b'-a') \\ &= km + k'm \\ &= (k+k')m \end{aligned}$$

and so $m \mid (b+b') - (a+a')$

$$\Rightarrow a+a' \equiv b+b' \pmod{m} \quad \text{done!}$$

Product: See class notes.

Find the remainder when 123^{456} is divided by 7. That is, compute $123^{456} \pmod{7}$.

$$10 \equiv 3 \pmod{7} \Rightarrow 10^2 \equiv 3^2 \equiv 9 \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow 123 \equiv (1)10^2 + 2(10) + 3 \equiv (1)(2) + (2)(3) + 3 \equiv 11 \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$\text{Now } 4^2 \equiv 16 \equiv 2 \pmod{7} \quad \text{and so } 4^3 \equiv (4)(2) \equiv 8 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

Note that $3 \mid 456$ (actually $456 = (3)(152)$)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } 123^{456} &\equiv 4^{456} \equiv (4^3)^{152} \pmod{7} \\ &\equiv 1^{152} \equiv 1 \pmod{7} \end{aligned}$$

Ans: 1

Q3)... [10 points] State the Schröder-Bernstein Theorem.

If there is an injective map $f: A \rightarrow B$ and an injective map $g: B \rightarrow A$, then there is a bijection map $h: A \rightarrow B$.

Use the Schröder-Bernstein Theorem to prove one of the following (your choice).

- $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}^+)$ and $(0, 1)$ have the same cardinality.
- $(0, 1)$ and $(0, 1)^2$ have the same cardinality.

$f: (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, 1)^2 : x \mapsto (x, \frac{x}{2})$ is clearly injective

$g: (0, 1)^2 \rightarrow (0, 1)$

$: (0.a_1a_2a_3\dots, 0.b_1b_2b_3\dots) \mapsto 0.a_1b_1a_2b_2\dots$

where $0.a_1a_2\dots$ and $0.b_1b_2\dots$ do not end in ∞ string of 9's

is injective.

S-B $\Rightarrow \exists$ bijection $h: (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, 1)^2$.

$\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}^+) \cong \{\infty \text{ binary strings}\} \xrightarrow{f} (0, 1)$
 string $\mapsto 0.a_1a_2\dots$ ∞ decimal

where $a_i = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } i^{\text{th}} \text{ position of string} = 0 \\ 4 & \text{if } i^{\text{th}} \text{ position of string} = 1 \end{cases}$

claim: f injective.

$g: (0, 1) \rightarrow \{\infty \text{ binary strings}\} \cong \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}^+)$

$: x \mapsto \text{truncated base 2 representation of } x$

\uparrow
 \rightarrow Remove 0 & . from start.
 \rightarrow Use representations which do not have ∞ string of 1's.

g is injective.

S-B $\Rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{Z}^+) \cong (0, 1)$

Q4]... [10 points] Give the definition of the greatest common divisor, $\gcd(a, b)$, of two integers a and b .

$\gcd(a, b)$ divides a & divides b
 If $d|a$ and $d|b$, then $d \leq \gcd(a, b)$.

Compute $\gcd(180, 96)$ and show how to express your answer as an integer linear combination of 180 and 96.

$$\begin{array}{l} 180 = 1(96) + 84 \\ 96 = 1(84) + 12 \\ 84 = 7(12) + 0 \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} 84 = (-1)(96) + 1(180) \\ 12 = (-1)(84) + 1(96) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow 12 = (-1)(-1)(96) + 1(180) + 1(96) = (2)(96) - (1)(180)$$

$$\Rightarrow \gcd(180, 96) = \gcd(96, 84) = \gcd(84, 12) = \boxed{12}$$

$$\boxed{12 = (2)(96) + (-1)(180)}$$

Prove that if $a|bc$ and $\gcd(a, b) = 1$, then $a|c$.

$$\gcd(a, b) = 1 \Rightarrow \exists \text{ integers } x, y \text{ so that } 1 = xa + yb.$$

$$\text{Multiply by } c \Rightarrow c = 1 \cdot c = xac + ybc$$

Now $a|xac$ by defⁿ

and $a|ybc$ since $a|bc$ by hypothesis

$$\Rightarrow a|(xac + ybc) \Rightarrow a|c \quad \square$$

Prove that if p is a prime number, and $p|ab$ for integers a and b , then $p|a$ or $p|b$.

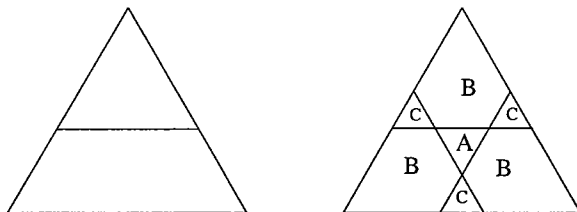
$$p|a \quad \text{or} \quad p|b.$$

If $p|a$ then $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ since p is prime.

Previous result $\Rightarrow p|b$

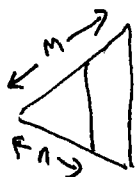
Thus $p|a$ or $p|b$. \square

Q5]... [10 points] Consider a pair of equilateral triangles such that the area of the larger is 3 times the area of the smaller. Take three copies of the smaller triangle inside the larger. A copy of the smaller triangle is based at each of the three vertices of the larger triangle. These overlap to form regions with area A , B and C as shown.



Show how to turn this into a proof by infinite descent (well-ordering) that $\sqrt{3}$ is irrational. Give a detailed algebra proof of the irrationality of $\sqrt{3}$ using infinite descent.

① Note Area of equilateral $\Delta = \text{constant} (\text{edge})^2 \dots \dots \left(\text{constant} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \right)$.



$$\text{Thus } 3 = \frac{\text{Area Large } \Delta}{\text{Area small } \Delta} = \frac{(\text{large edge})^2}{(\text{small edge})^2} = \frac{M^2}{N^2}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{M^2}{N^2} = 3}$$

② Note Area (large Δ) = $A + 3B + 3C$

Area (small Δ) = $B + 2C$

So $3(B + 2C) = A + 3B + 3C$

$$\cancel{3B} + \cancel{6C} = A + \cancel{3B} + \cancel{3C}$$

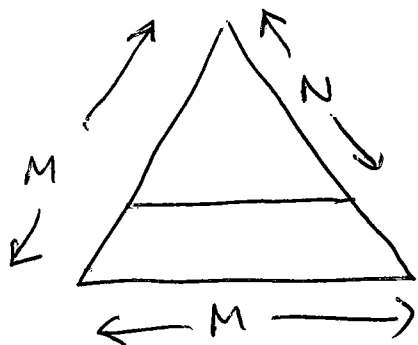
$$\boxed{A = 3C}$$

of the two newly created triangles, the area of the larger is exactly 3 times the area of the smaller.

③ If $\sqrt{3}$ is Rational $\Rightarrow \exists$ Rational expression $\frac{M}{N} = \sqrt{3}$

where $M, N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ and N is least such integer (Well-ordering).

Form the large & smaller Δ 's with sidelengths M & N



But then the new smaller Δ 's will have (also)
 ⊕ integer edge lengths M' & N' (say)

& we've seen in ① & ② above that

$$\left(\frac{M'}{N'}\right)^2 \underset{\text{in } \textcircled{1}}{=} \text{Ratio of areas} \underset{\text{in } \textcircled{2}}{=} 3$$

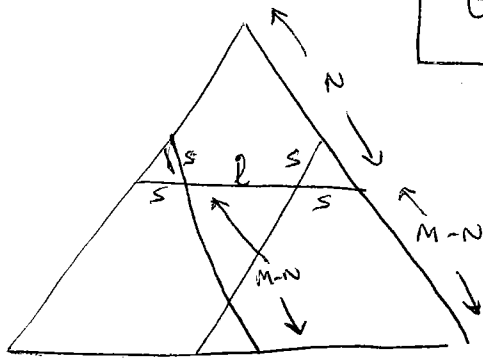
Thus $\frac{M'}{N'} = \sqrt{3}$ & N' is smaller ⊕ integer than N

⇒ contradiction.

Thus $\sqrt{3}$ must be irrational.



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← EXTRA NOTES →

$$(M-N) + s = N \quad \dots \text{look at inner } \Delta \text{ on left.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{s = 2N - M}$$

$$l + 2s = N$$

$$l = N - 2s = N - 2(2N - M) = 2M - 3N$$

$$\boxed{l = 2M - 3N}$$

↓
This is the basis for our purely algebra proof:

- No geometry
- No odd/evenness
- No divisibility/non-divisibility by 3

Thm $\sqrt{3}$ is irrational

(painfully!)

Pf (By Well-Ordering, ∞ -descent). We argue by contradiction.

Suppose that $\sqrt{3}$ is rational. Thus there exists an expression of the form

$$\sqrt{3} = \frac{M}{N} \quad \text{--- (*)}$$

where (i) $M, N \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, and

(ii) N is least among all positive integers M, N satisfying (*).

Now

$$1 < \sqrt{3} < 2.$$

\Rightarrow

$$1 < \frac{M}{N} < 2$$

N positive \Rightarrow

$$\underbrace{N < M < 2N}$$



$$N < M$$

$$\Rightarrow N - M < M - M = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N + N - M < N + 0 = N$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{2N - M < N}$$



$$M < 2N$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = M - M < 2N - M$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{0 < 2N - M}$$



$$\boxed{0 < 2N - M < N}$$

Thus $(2N - M)$ is a positive integer which is strictly smaller than N . --- [†]

Claim

$$\boxed{\frac{2M - 3N}{2N - M} = \frac{M}{N}} \quad \text{--- (**)}$$

Cross multiply to get--

$$(**) \text{ true } \Leftrightarrow \cancel{2MN} - 3N^2 = \cancel{2MN} - M^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3N^2 = M^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 3 = \left(\frac{M}{N}\right)^2$$

This is true, since $\frac{M}{N} = \sqrt{3}$ by (*).

Now $2N - M$ is $\oplus \Rightarrow 2M - 3N$ is also \oplus
(since ratio $= \sqrt{3}$ is \oplus)

Thus (**) gives a way of expressing

$\sqrt{3}$ as a ratio of two positive integers, where the denominator, $(2M - N)$, is strictly less than N .

This contradicts the fact that N was least.

Contradiction comes from assumption that $\sqrt{3}$ has expressions as ratio of \oplus integers.

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3}$ is irrational

