

Theorem: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}: 1+2+\dots+n = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$

Proof:

Let $P(n): 1+2+\dots+n = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$

for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

$P(1): 1 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1(1+1) = 1$ is true.

Assume for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ given, $P(n)$ is true.

Then $1+2+\dots+n+(n+1) = (1+2+\dots+n)+(n+1)$

$$= \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)+(n+1) \quad (\text{as } P(n) \text{ is true})$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}n+1\right)(n+1) = \frac{1}{2}(n+2)(n+1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(n+1)(n+2) = \frac{1}{2}(n+1)((n+1)+1).$$

Hence $P(n+1)$ is true.

Thus we proved that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}: P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$.

Hence by induction we proved our theorem. \square

$$1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 \stackrel{?}{=} an^3 + bn^2 + cn + d$$

For $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$ we have by solving the equations:

$$a = \frac{1}{3}, b = \frac{1}{2}, c = \frac{1}{6}, d = 0$$

Theorem: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}: 1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{1}{3}n^3 + \frac{1}{2}n^2 + \frac{1}{6}n$

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

Proof: $P(1)$ is true. From $P(n)$ true it follows

$$\text{that } 1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 + (n+1)^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1) + (n+1)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(n+1)(n+2)(2n+3) = \frac{1}{6}(n+1)((n+1)+1)(2(n+1)+1),$$

i.e., $P(n+1)$ is true.

Hence we proved our theorem by induction. \square

Theorem: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ with $x \neq 1$:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} x^k = 1 + x + \dots + x^{n-1} + x^n = \frac{1-x^{n+1}}{1-x}$$

Proof: $P(1)$ true. Assume $P(n)$ is true.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n x^k &= 1 + x + \dots + x^{n-1} + x^n \\ &= \frac{1-x^n}{1-x} + x^n \quad (P(n) \text{ is true}) \\ &= \frac{1-x^n + x^{n+1} - x^{n+1}}{1-x} \\ &= \frac{1-x^{n+1}}{1-x}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $P(n+1)$ is true.

Hence the theorem is proved by induction. \blacksquare

Theorem: $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}, a \geq -1, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}: (1+a)^n \geq 1+n \cdot a$.

Proof:

Homework!

Differentiate Product Rule: $(f(x) \cdot g(x))' = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$

Theorem: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$: if $f(x) = x^n$, then $f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$

Proof:

Let $P(n)$: if $f(x) = x^n$, then $f'(x) = nx^{n-1}$

Then $P(1)$: if $f(x) = x$, then $f'(x) = \frac{dx}{dx} = 1 = 1 \cdot x^0 = 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } g(x) = x^{n+1} \text{ we have } g'(x) &= (x^{n+1})' = \\ (x^n \cdot x)' &= (x^n)^1 \cdot x + x^n \cdot (x)' \\ &= nx^{n-1} \cdot x + x^n \cdot 1 \\ &= nx^n + x^n \\ &= (n+1)x^n. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow P(n+1)$ is true. \Rightarrow

Theorem proved by induction. \square

Notations

$$(\text{n faculty}) \quad n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdots n \quad ; \quad 0! \underset{\text{def.}}{=} 1$$

$$(\text{n over k}) \quad \binom{n}{k} = \frac{n(n-1) \cdots (n-k+1)}{k!}$$

$$= \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} ; \quad \binom{n}{0} \underset{\text{def.}}{=} 1$$

Using this notation we can prove the following theorem.

Theorem: Let $f(x) = x^n$, then for $1 \leq k \leq n$, the k -th derivative of $f(x)$: $f^{(k)}(x) = k! \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k}$.

Proof:

By induction ...

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Theorem: (Binomial of Newton)

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$(a+b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{n-k} b^k = a^n + \binom{n}{1} a^{n-1} b + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1} a b^{n-1} + b^n$$

Proof: By induction.

Hint: use the property $\binom{n+1}{k} = \binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1}$

which explains the numbers in the triangle of Pascal depicting the binomial coefficients for $(a+b)^n$:

Pascal's Triangle

$n=0:$

1

$n=1:$

1 1

$n=2:$

1 2 1

$n=3:$

1 3 3 1

$n=4:$

1 4 6 4 1

$n=5:$

1 5 10 10 5 1

$n=6:$

1 6 15 20 15 6 1
 $k=0 \quad 1 \quad 5 \quad 10 \quad 10 \quad 5 \quad 1$

$$\binom{5+1}{3} = \binom{6}{3} = \binom{5}{2} + \binom{5}{3} = \frac{120}{12} + \frac{120}{12} = 60 + 10 = 220$$

Also note: $\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}$.

□

$$\text{Now } (1+a)^n = 1 + na + \frac{1}{2} n(n-1)a^2 + \dots + a^n.$$

If $a \geq 0$, then it is clear that:

$$(1+a)^n \geq na \quad (a \geq 0)$$

$$(1+a)^n \geq 1 + na \quad (a \geq 0)$$

$$(1+a)^n \geq \frac{1}{2} n(n-1)a^2 \quad (a \geq 0) \quad \text{etc.}$$

Definition: Let (a_n) : a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots an infinite row of numbers in \mathbb{R} . Let $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}$.

(a_n) has limit l if $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\forall n > N$: $|a_n - l| < \epsilon$.

Notation: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$; $\lim a_n = l$; ...

The let $r \in \mathbb{R}$, with $|r| < 1$ given. Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r^n = 0$.

Proof:

Let $r \in \mathbb{R}$, with $|r| < 1$. We can write $|r| = (1+a)^{-1} = \frac{1}{1+a}$ with $a > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } |r^n - 0| &= |r^n| = \left(\frac{1}{1+a}\right)^n = \frac{1}{(1+a)^n} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{na} < \epsilon \text{ if } n > \frac{1}{a\epsilon}. \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

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(*) Let $\epsilon > 0 \Rightarrow$ take $N = \lceil \frac{1}{a\epsilon} \rceil$.

Then $\forall n > N$: $|r^n - 0| < \epsilon$.

Theorem: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a} = 1$ if $a \in \mathbb{R}$, $a > 0$

$$\text{by } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{n} = 1$$

|| Note:- If (a_n) has limit l , then $a_{N_1}, a_{N_2}, a_{N_3}, \dots$ also has limit l .

- If $a_n \rightarrow l$ and $b_n \rightarrow m$,
- then $a_n + b_n \rightarrow l + m$
- $\cdot a_n \cdot b_n \rightarrow l \cdot m$
- $\cdot a_n \cdot b_n^{-1} \rightarrow l \cdot m^{-1}$, if $m \neq 0$

- If $a_n \geq 0$ and $a_n \rightarrow l$,
- then $\sqrt{a_n} \rightarrow \sqrt{l}$

|| The n^{th} derivative of the product of two functions.

$$\text{We can prove: } (fg)^{(n)} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} f^{(n-k)} \cdot g^{(k)},$$

where $f^{(0)} = f$, and $g^{(0)} = g$

Now, if $f(x) = x^2 \sin x$, then

$$f^{(n)}(x) = x^2 \sin x - 2nx \cos x - n(n-1) \sin x$$

if $n = 4k$ ($k \in \mathbb{N}$)

Question: What are the formulas for $n=4k+1$, $n=4k+2$, $n=4k+3$?

Note:

$n!$ is the number of ways that n objects can be placed in an ordered row, i.e., the number of permutations of n objects.

Proof by induction:

$P(1)$ true.

Assume $P(n)$ is true, then for the $(n+1)^{th}$ object we can place this on $(n+1)$ -ways within any of the ordered n objects. $\Rightarrow (n+1) n!$ orderings.
 $= (n+1)!$ orderings.

$\binom{n}{k}$ is equal to the number of ways we can choose k objects out of n objects without taking either kin of the ordering of the selection:

Theorem III: Assume $P(n)$ a logical expression in which an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ appears. Assume $P(1)$ is true, and that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ If $P(1), \dots, P(n)$ true $\Rightarrow P(n+1)$ true. Then $P(n)$ is true for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Definition: Fibonacci numbers.

$$F_0 = F_1 = 1$$

$$F_n = F_{n-2} + F_{n-1} \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad n \geq 2$$

Theorem: Let α and β the roots of $x^2 - x - 1 = 0$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{5}$$

$$\text{Then } F_n = \frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{\alpha - \beta}$$

Proof: By induction (IIIrd form).

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{n+1} &= F_n + F_{n-1} = \frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{\alpha - \beta} + \frac{\alpha^{n-1} - \beta^{n-1}}{\alpha - \beta} \\
 &= \frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n + \alpha^{n-1} - \beta^{n-1}}{\alpha - \beta} \\
 &= \frac{\alpha^n + \alpha^{n-1} - (\beta^n + \beta^{n-1})}{\alpha - \beta} \\
 &= \frac{\alpha^{n+1} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \right) - \beta^{n+1} \left(\frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\beta^2} \right)}{\alpha - \beta}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2} = \frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha^2}$. Furthermore α is root of the equation $x^2 - x - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha^2 = 1 + \alpha$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha^2} = 1$$

This holds also for β .

$$\Rightarrow F_{n+1} = \frac{\alpha^{n+1} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \right) - \beta^{n+1} \left(\frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\beta^2} \right)}{\alpha - \beta} = \frac{\alpha^{n+1} - \beta^{n+1}}{\alpha - \beta}.$$

$\Rightarrow P(n+1)$ is also true.

Theorem proved by induction (III) □