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6) Prove $1 \cdot 1! + 2 \cdot 2! + \dots + n \cdot n! = (n+1)! - 1$

Pf Basis: If $n=1$, this says

$$1 \cdot 1! = 2! - 1$$

$$\text{or } 1 = 1$$

which is obviously true.

Inductive step

Assume $1 \cdot 1! + \dots + k \cdot k! = (k+1)! - 1$

We want to show

$$1 \cdot 1! + \dots + k \cdot k! + (k+1) \cdot (k+1)! = (k+2)! - 1$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \cdot 1! + \dots + k \cdot k! + (k+1) \cdot (k+1)! &= (k+1)! - 1 + (k+1) \cdot (k+1)! \quad \text{by ind'v hyp} \\ &= (k+1)! [1 + (k+1)] - 1 \\ &= (k+1)! (k+2) - 1 \\ &= (k+2)! - 1 \end{aligned}$$

So $1 \cdot 1! + \dots + n \cdot n!$ is true $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

10) a) $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)}$

$$n=1 \quad \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$$

$$n=2 \quad \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$n=3 \quad \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{12} = \frac{6+2+1}{12} = \frac{9}{12} = \frac{3}{4}$$

Conjecture: equals $\frac{n}{n+1}$

Pf Basis: If $n=1$, this says

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ which is true}$$

Inductive:

$$\text{Assume } \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} = \frac{k}{k+1}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \dots + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} &= \frac{k}{k+1} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \quad \text{by Ind'v hyp} \\ &= \frac{k(k+2) + 1}{(k+1)(k+2)} = \frac{k^2 + 2k + 1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \\ &= \frac{(k+1)^2}{(k+1)(k+2)} = \frac{k+1}{k+2} \end{aligned}$$

which is what we wanted to show.

$$\text{So } \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

by PMI.

3.2) $3 | (n^3 + 2n)$

Pf Basis: If $n=1$, then $n^3 + 2n = 3$, and $3 | 3$.

Ind'v: Assume $3 | (k^3 + 2k)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (k+1)^3 + 2(k+1) &= k^3 + 3k^2 + 3k + 1 + 2k + 2 \\ &= k^3 + 3k^2 + 3k + 1 + 2k + 2 \\ &= (k^3 + 2k) + (3k^2 + 3k + 3) \\ &= (k^3 + 2k) + 3(k^2 + k + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$3 | (k^3 + 2k)$ by ind'v hyp. And

$3 | [3(k^2 + k + 1)]$ since $k^2 + k + 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$

So $3 | (n^3 + 2n) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ by PMI. $\square$