

## Practice Test 1 - Solutions

1. (a)  $\forall x P(-x, x)$  is false: e.g. for  $x = -3$ ,  $-(-3) \not\leq -3$ .  
 (b)  $\exists x \exists y P(x, y)$  is true: e.g. for  $x = 3$  and  $y = 4$ ,  $3 \leq 4$ .  
 (c)  $\forall x \exists y P(x, y)$  is true: for any  $x$ , let  $y = x$ , then  $x \leq y$  holds.  
 (d)  $\exists x \forall y P(x, y)$  is false: no matter what the value of  $x$  is, for  $y = x - 1$  we have  $x \not\leq y$ .  
 (e)  $\forall x \forall y P(x, y)$  is false: e.g. for  $x = 4$  and  $y = 3$ ,  $4 \not\leq 3$ .
2. We will prove this statement by contrapositive, i.e. we will prove that if either  $n$  or  $m$  is even, then  $nm + 2n + 2m$  is even. Assume that either  $n$  or  $m$  is even. Since the expression  $nm + 2n + 2m$  is symmetric with respect to  $n$  and  $m$ , WLOG we can assume that  $n$  is even. Then  $n = 2k$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $nm + 2n + 2m = 2km + 4k + 2m = 2(km + 2n + m)$ . Since  $km + 2n + m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $nm + 2n + 2m$  is even.  
 Note: we could also consider the following two cases: (1)  $n$  is even; (2)  $m$  is even.
3. This statement is false. E.g. 0 is a rational number and  $\sqrt{2}$  is an irrational number; their product is  $0 \cdot \sqrt{2}$ , so it is rational.
4. Proof by Mathematical Induction.  
 Basis step: if  $n = 1$ , then  $1 \cdot 2 = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3}{3}$  is true.  
 Inductive step: assume the statement holds for  $n = k$  for some natural number  $k$ . We will show that it holds for  $n = k + 1$ . In other words, we assume that

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

holds, and we will prove that

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

holds.

We have:

$$1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 4 + \dots + (k+1)(k+2) =$$

$$(1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 4 + \dots + k(k+1)) + (k+1)(k+2) =$$

$$\frac{k(k+1)(k+2)}{3} + (k+1)(k+2) = \frac{k(k+1)(k+2) + 3(k+1)(k+2)}{3} =$$

$$\frac{(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)}{3}.$$

5. Proof by Strong Mathematical Induction.

Basis step. If  $n = 1$ , then the identity says that  $F_0^2 + F_1^2 = F_1^2$ , or  $0^2 + 1^2 = 1^2$  which is true.

Inductive step. Assume that it holds for all  $1 \leq n \leq k$ . Namely, we will use that it holds for  $n = k$  and  $n = k - 1$ , i.e.

$$F_{k-1}^2 + F_k^2 = F_{2k-1}$$

and  $F_{(k-1)-1}^2 + F_{(k-1)}^2 = F_{2(k-1)-1}$ , or equivalently,

$$F_{k-2}^2 + F_{k-1}^2 = F_{2k-3}.$$

We want to prove that it holds for  $n = k + 1$ , i.e.  $F_{(k+1)-1}^2 + F_{k+1}^2 = F_{2(k+1)-1}$ , or, equivalently,

$$F_k^2 + F_{k+1}^2 = F_{2k+1}.$$

It may be easier here to work from the right hand side.

$$\begin{aligned} F_{2k+1} &= F_{2k} + F_{2k-1} = F_{2k-1} + F_{2k-2} + F_{2k-1} = 2F_{2k-1} + F_{2k-2} = 2F_{2k-1} + F_{2k-1} - \\ &F_{2k-3} = 3F_{2k-1} - F_{2k-3} = 3(F_{k-1}^2 + F_k^2) - (F_{k-2}^2 + F_{k-1}^2) = 3F_{k-1}^2 + 3F_k^2 - F_{k-2}^2 - \\ &F_{k-1}^2 = 2F_{k-1}^2 + 3F_k^2 - F_{k-2}^2 = 2F_{k-1}^2 + 3F_k^2 - (F_k - F_{k-1})^2 = 2F_{k-1}^2 + 3F_k^2 - F_k^2 + \\ &2F_kF_{k-1} - F_{k-1}^2 = F_{k-1}^2 + 2F_k^2 + 2F_kF_{k-1} = F_{k-1}(F_{k-1} + F_k) + F_k(F_k + F_{k-1}) + F_k^2 = \\ &F_{k-1}F_{k+1} + F_kF_{k+1} + F_k^2 = (F_{k-1} + F_k)F_{k+1} + F_k^2 = F_k^2 + F_{k+1}^2. \end{aligned}$$

6. Since there are 52 whole weeks in a year, Kevin is paid at least 26 times a year. Since there are 12 months, by generalized Dirichlet's box principle, at least one month will contain 3 pay days.
7. Note that for each  $k$ , the function  $f^k$  is a permutation of the set  $X$  and there are  $5! = 120$  different permutations of the set  $X$ . Consider  $f, f^2, \dots, f^{121}$ . By Dirichlet's box principle, at least two of these are equal, i.e.  $f^a = f^b$  for some  $a < b$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $f^{b-a}$  is the identity function, i.e.  $f^{b-a}(x) = x$  for all  $x \in X$ .