

Attempt all questions and show all your work. Due September 25, 2015.

1. Use Mathematical Induction to prove that for all $n \geq 1$,

$$n + (n + 1) + (n + 2) + \cdots + (2n) = \frac{3n(n + 1)}{2}.$$

2. Use Mathematical Induction to prove that for all $n \geq 1$,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (i + 3)^2 = \frac{n(2n^2 + 21n + 73)}{6}$$

3. Use Mathematical Induction to prove that for all $n \geq 1$,

$$1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{3^3} + \cdots + \frac{1}{3^{2n}} = \frac{3}{2} \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^{2n+1} \right).$$

4. (a) Write the sum $1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + (4n - 1)$ using sigma notation.

(b) Use Mathematical Induction to prove that for all $n \geq 1$, the above expression is equal to $(2n)^2$.

5. Use Mathematical Induction to prove that for all $n \geq 1$, $3^n > n^2$.

6. Consider the sequence of real numbers defined by the relations $x_0 = 0.5$ and for all $n \geq 1$, $x_n = 0.5x_{n-1}(1 - x_{n-1})$. Prove by induction that for all $n \geq 0$, $x_n \in (0, 1)$.

7. Let a and d be fixed real numbers. Prove using Mathematical Induction that for each $n \geq 1$,

$$a + (a + d) + (a + 2d) + \cdots + (a + (n - 1)d) = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n - 1)d).$$

8. (a) Express the sum $\sum_{k=1}^m (2 + 3k)^2$ in terms of three simpler sums in sigma notation by expanding. Do not calculate the value.

- (b) Find the value of the sum

$$\sum_{p=1}^{100} (2 - 10p + 3p^2).$$

HINT: Make use of the formulas

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

- (c) Rewrite the sum

$$\sum_{r=12}^{122} \frac{r - 6}{r + 9}$$

using an index whose initial and terminal values are 1 and 111 (HINT: use a change of variables).