

SOLUTION TO HW 8

2.5 1(b).

Theorem: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}: n > 33 \Rightarrow (\exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z} : s \geq 3 \wedge t \geq 2 \wedge n = 4s + 5t)$.

Proof. Define the predicate

$$P(n): n > 33 \Rightarrow (\exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z} : s \geq 3 \wedge t \geq 2 \wedge n = 4s + 5t)$$

We must prove: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}: P(n)$.

By the PCI, it is enough to show:

$$(*) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}: (P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(n-1)) \Rightarrow P(n).$$

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

Assume $P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(n-1)$.

We must show that $P(n)$ is true.

Assume that $n > 33$.

We consider two cases.

Case 1: Assume that $34 \leq n \leq 37$.

Set $s = 40 - n$ and $t = n - 32$.

Then $s \geq 40 - 37 = 3$ and $t \geq 34 - 32 = 2$.

Furthermore, we have $4s + 5t = 4(40 - n) + 5(n - 32) = 5n - 4n + 4 \cdot 40 - 5 \cdot 32 = n$.

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

Case 2: Assume that $n \geq 38$.

By assumption we know that $P(n-4)$ is true.

Since $P(n-4)$ holds and $n-4 > 33$, we may choose $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that:

$s \geq 3$ and $t \geq 2$ and $n-4 = 4s + 5t$.

Set $s' = s + 1$ and $t' = t$.

Then we have $s', t' \in \mathbb{Z}$, $s' \geq 3$, $t' \geq 2$, and $4s' + 5t' = (4s + 5t) + 4 = n$.

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

We deduce that $(*)$ is true, hence the theorem is true by the PCI. \square

2.5 2. Let $a_1 = 2$, $a_2 = 4$, and $a_{n+2} = 5a_{n+1} - 6a_n$ for all $n \geq 1$.

Theorem: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}: a_n = 2^n$.

Proof. Define the predicate

$$P(n) : a_n = 2^n.$$

We must prove: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} : P(n)$.

By the PCI, it is enough to show:

$$(*) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}: (P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(n-1)) \Rightarrow P(n).$$

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

Assume $P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(n-1)$.

We must show that $P(n)$ is true.

We consider 3 cases.

Case 1: If $n = 1$, then $a_n = 2 = 2^n$.

Case 2: If $n = 2$, then $a_n = 4 = 2^n$.

Case 3: Assume that $n \geq 3$.

Then $P(n-2)$ holds by assumption, so we have $a_{n-2} = 2^{n-2}$.

And $P(n-1)$ holds by assumption, so we have $a_{n-1} = 2^{n-1}$.

We therefore obtain:

$$a_n = 5a_{n-1} - 6a_{n-2} = 5 \cdot 2^{n-1} - 6 \cdot 2^{n-2} = 5 \cdot 2^{n-1} - 3 \cdot 2^{n-1} = 2 \cdot 2^{n-1} = 2^n.$$

This shows that $P(n)$ is true.

We deduce that $(*)$ is true, hence the theorem is true by the PCI. \square

2.5 4(b).

$$f_1 = 1, f_2 = 1, f_3 = 2, f_4 = 3, f_5 = 5, \\ f_6 = 8, f_7 = 13, f_8 = 21, f_9 = 34, f_{10} = 55.$$

2.5 5(b).

Theorem: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}: \gcd(f_n, f_{n+1}) = 1.$

Proof. (i) Basis step:

For $n = 1$ we have $\gcd(f_n, f_{n+1}) = \gcd(f_1, f_2) = \gcd(1, 1) = 1.$

(ii) Inductive step: Let $n \in \mathbb{N}.$

Assume that $\gcd(f_n, f_{n+1}) = 1.$

Then we obtain

$$\gcd(f_{n+1}, f_{n+2}) = \gcd(f_{n+1}, f_n + f_{n+1}) = \gcd(f_{n+1}, f_n) = 1.$$

(iii) Conclude by PMI: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}: \gcd(f_n, f_{n+1}) = 1.$ □

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Theorem:

$\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}: (a, b) \neq (0, 0) \Rightarrow$ (there is a smallest positive linear comb. of a and b).

Proof. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}.$

Assume that $(a, b) \neq (0, 0).$

Consider the set of positive linear combinations of a and $b:$

$$S = \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid \exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z} : n = sa + tb\}.$$

Since $(a, b) \neq (0, 0),$ we must have $a \neq 0$ or $b \neq 0.$

It follows that $|a| + |b| > 0,$ hence $|a| + |b| \in \mathbb{N}.$

Notice that $|a| + |b|$ is a linear combination of a and $b.$

In fact, we may choose $s \in \{1, -1\}$ such that $|a| = sa.$

And we may choose $t \in \{1, -1\}$ such that $|b| = tb.$

Then we have $|a| + |b| = sa + tb.$

We deduce that $|a| + |b| \in S.$

This shows that S is not empty.

Since S is a non-empty subset of $\mathbb{N},$

it follows from the WOP that S has a smallest element $m.$

This integer m is the smallest linear combination of a and $b.$ □

3.1 5(g,h).

Define the relations

$$R = \{(1, 5), (2, 2), (3, 4), (5, 2)\},$$

$$S = \{(2, 4), (3, 4), (3, 1), (5, 5)\}, \text{ and}$$

$$T = \{(1, 4), (3, 5), (4, 1)\}.$$

Then $S \circ T = \{(3, 5)\}$ and $R \circ (S \circ T) = \{(3, 2)\}.$

And we have $R \circ S = \{(3, 5), (5, 2)\}$ and $(R \circ S) \circ T = \{(3, 2)\}.$

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Let $R \subset A \times B$ and $S \subset B \times C$ be relations.

Then $S \circ R \subset A \times C$ is a relation from A to $C.$

(a) **Claim:** $\text{Dom}(S \circ R) \subset \text{Dom}(R).$

Let $x \in \text{Dom}(S \circ R).$

By definition of the domain of a relation,

we may choose $z \in C$ such that $(x, z) \in S \circ R.$

By definition of the composition of two relations,

we may choose $y \in B$ such that $(x, y) \in R$ and $(y, z) \in S$.

Since $(x, y) \in R$, it follows that $x \in \text{Dom}(R)$.

(b) Take $A = B = C = \{1, 2\}$.

Set $R = I_{\{1,2\}} = \{(1, 1), (2, 2)\}$ and $S = \{(1, 1)\}$.

Then $S \circ R = \{(1, 1)\}$.

We have $\text{Dom}(S \circ R) = \{1\} \subsetneq \{1, 2\} = \text{Dom}(R)$.

(c) We always have $\text{Rng}(S \circ R) \subset \text{Rng}(S)$.

The opposite inclusion is not true in the following example.

Take $A = B = C = \{1, 2\}$.

Set $R = \{(1, 1)\}$ and $S = I_{\{1,2\}} = \{(1, 1), (2, 2)\}$.

Then $S \circ R = \{(1, 1)\}$.

We have $\text{Rng}(S \circ R) = \{1\} \subsetneq \{1, 2\} = \text{Rng}(S)$.