CIS 300 Foundations of Computing [Strong]? Induction Fall 2023

1. **Prove** or **disprove**:

$$\forall p \in \{prime\}, s, t \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \ (p \mid st) \Rightarrow (p \mid s) \lor (p \mid t)$$

(Hint: Not inductive. Rewrite the implication to something logically equivalent.)

- 2. Some questions about gcd and divisibility. For $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^+$:
 - (a) If $2 \mid x$ and $2 \mid y$ what, if anything, do you know about gcd(x, y)? Why?
 - (b) If $51 \mid x$ and $51 \mid y$ what, if anything, do you know about gcd(x, y)? Why?
 - (c) If $2 \mid x$ and $17 \mid y$ what, if anything, do you know about gcd(x, y)? Why?
 - (d) If 2 | x, 17 | x, 2 | y, and 17 | y what, if anything, do you know about gcd(x, y)? Why?
- 3. Prove that for all non-negative integers k, $6 | k^3 + 3k^2 + 2k$.
- 4. For the Fibonacci sequence: the sum of the first a odd elements is F_{2a} .

$$\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \sum_{j=1}^a F_{2j-1} = F_{2a}$$

(Hint: Check the sums for some small values of *a* and look for *patterns*.)

- 5. Consider the $\sum_{i=0}^{n} 2 \cdot 3^{i}$.
 - (a) Write a **recursive** Java method, int someSum(int n) that calculates the sum. Do **not** use the answer to the following part of the question to calculate the answer.

(b) Prove
$$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 0} \sum_{i=0}^{n} 2 \cdot 3^{i} = 3^{n+1} - 1$$
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