

# Lecture 28: Discrete Math Review

## Or Is It Discreet Math?

# Rough Outline

Today: review of first half of class

- ▶ Propositional Logic
- ▶ Proofs
- ▶ Graphs
- ▶ Modular Arithmetic
- ▶ Cryptography
- ▶ Polynomials
- ▶ Error Correcting Codes
- ▶ Countability
- ▶ Computability

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Make formulae w/operators:  $\wedge, \vee, \neg, \implies$ , etc

$$(P \vee Q) \implies P$$

$$((\neg P) \iff Q) \wedge R$$

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More on propositional / first order logic: Math 125A

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Proof by induction ( $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} P(n)$ ):

- ▶ Prove  $P(0)$  and  $P(k) \implies P(k+1)$

# Proof Poll

Do an example proof live! Poll for which one:

1. If  $m|a$  and  $n|b$ , then  $mn|ab$ . (Direct)
2. Let  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $x^2 + 6x + 5$  is even,  $x$  is odd. (Contraposition)
3. Let  $r$  be rational and  $x$  be irrational. Then  $r + x$  is irrational. (Contradiction)
4. Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $(1 + x)^n \geq 1 + nx$ . (Induction)

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- ▶ Since  $n|b$ ,  $b = jn$  for  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$
- ▶ Hence  $ab = km \cdot jn = kj(mn)$

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- ▶ Contrapos: If  $x$  is even,  $x^2 + 6x + 5$  is odd.
- ▶ Suppose  $x = 2k$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$
- ▶  $x^2 + 6x + 5 = 4k^2 + 12k + 5 = 2(2k^2 + 6k + 2) + 1$
- ▶  $2k^2 + 6k + 2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so  $x^2 + 6x + 5$  odd

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- ▶  $r$  rational, so  $r = \frac{c}{d}$  for some  $c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$
- ▶ Hence  $x = (r + x) - r = \frac{a}{b} - \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ad - cb}{bd}$
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- ▶ Suppose  $(1 + x)^k \geq 1 + kx$
- ▶ Then we have

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

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Special kinds of graphs:

Complete

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Hypercube

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Example: proving Euler's formula  $v + f = e + 2$

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With more work, also gives 5-color theorem

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More in depth look at this: Math 113, Math 115

# Extended GCD Algorithm

Goal: find  $(d, a, b)$  st  $\gcd(x, y) = d = ax + by$   
Allows us to find inverses if  $\gcd(x, y) = 1$ !

Recursive call on  $y, x \bmod y$  to get  $(d', a', b')$   
Return  $(d', b', a' - \lfloor \frac{x}{y} \rfloor b')$

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One-Time Pad: xor message w/random, shared pad  
Perfect security – but only for one message!

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Correctness: FLT + CRT

Security:  $\neg \exists (\gamma) \_ / \_$

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Other direction: Lagrange interpolation

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Note similarity to proof of CRT!

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Recover  $P$  means recover message!

$k$  erasures needs  $n + k$  packets

$k$  corruptions needs  $n + 2k$  packets

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To prove a set countable:

- ▶ Provide bijection with known countable set
- ▶ Provide injection (1-1) to countable set
- ▶ Provide surjection (onto) from countable set

Last two from Cantor-Schröder-Bernstein Thm

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Show set uncountable w/diagonalization or show “same size”/“bigger than” known uncountable set

# Uncomputability

Computers can't do everything!

Case study: Halting Problem is impossible

You will halt!  
Fine, loop!



TestHalt

I'll loop instead!  
Actually, I'll halt!



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# Reductions

Many other problems also uncomputable!

Often easiest to prove with reduction from TestHalt

# Fin

Next time: probability review (with Elizabeth)!