

## HOMEWORK 5, DUE OCT 9, 2017

- (1) In this problem, we show the equivalence of the two induction procedures. So, let  $N \in \mathbb{Z}$  be a fixed integer and let  $A = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n \geq N\}$ .
- (a) If  $S$  is a non-empty subset of  $A$ , it has a minimal element.
  - (b) Let  $P(n)$  for  $n \in A$  be any open statement. Assume  $P(N)$  is true and  $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$  for any  $n \in A$ . Then,  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \in A$ .

Show that the above two versions are equivalent by the following steps.

- (a) To show (a) implies (b), consider the set  $S = \{n \in A \mid \neg P(n)\}$ .
  - (b) To show (b) implies (a), consider the open statement (the correct choice of an open statement is half the battle in induction proofs)  $Q(n), n \in A$  to be,  
If  $S \subset A$  with  $m \in S$  with  $m \leq n$ , then  $S$  has a minimal element.  
Show that  $Q(N)$  is true and  $Q(n) \Rightarrow Q(n+1)$  for any  $n \in A$  and deduce (a).
- (2) Here is another variation of induction. So, let  $N, A$  be as above and let  $P(n)$  be an open statement for  $n \in A$ . Assume  $P(N)$  is true,  $P(N+1)$  is true and  $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+2)$  is true for all  $n \in A$ . Show that  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \in A$ .
- (3) Show that  $\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = 2^n$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- (4) Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and let  $s(n)$  be the sum of its digits (written the usual way). Show that  $n \equiv s(n) \pmod{9}$ .
- (5) Show that for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $4^n \not\equiv 2 \pmod{9}$ .