

Proposition: when  $h > 0$ , the inequality  $(1+h)^n > 1+nh$  holds for all positive integers  $n \geq 2$

Proof style 1 (using the "P(n)" terminology)

Proof (induction).

Let  $P(n)$  be the open sentence " $(1+h)^n > 1+nh$ ".

Step 1: when  $n=2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}(1+h)^n &= (1+h)^2 \\ &= 1+2h+h^2 \\ &> 1+2h \quad (\text{since } h^2 > 0) \\ &= 1+nh.\end{aligned}$$

So we have shown  $P(2)$  is true. The base case is shown.

Step 2: Suppose  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k \geq 2$ . Suppose  $P(k)$  is true, that is, assume  $(1+h)^k > 1+kh$ . This is the inductive hypothesis. we need to show  $P(k+1)$  is true. That is, we must show  $(1+h)^{k+1} > 1+(k+1)h$ . Consider the left-hand side:

$$\begin{aligned}(1+h)^{k+1} &= (1+h)^k (1+h) \\ &> (1+kh)(1+h) \quad (\text{by the inductive hypothesis}) \\ &= 1+kh+h+kh^2 \\ &= 1+(k+1)h+kh^2 \\ &> 1+(k+1)h \quad (\text{since } kh^2 > 0)\end{aligned}$$

we have shown  $P(k+1)$  is true.

Step 3: Since  $P(2)$  is true and  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k \geq 2$   $P(k) \Rightarrow P(k+1)$ , by mathematical induction  $(1+h)^n > 1+nh$  for all natural numbers  $n$ ,  $n \geq 2$ .

Proof style 2:

Proof (induction):

Step 1: when  $n=2$ , we must show  $(1+h)^2 > 1+2h$ .

$$\begin{aligned}(1+h)^2 &= 1+2h+h^2 \\ &> 1+2h \quad (\text{since } h^2 > 0)\end{aligned}$$

The induction is anchored.

Step 2: Suppose the statement is true when  $n=k$ . In other words, assume the inductive hypothesis  $(1+h)^k > 1+kh$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } (1+h)^{k+1} &= (1+h)^k (1+h) \\ &> (1+kh)(1+h) \quad (\text{by the inductive hypothesis}) \\ &= 1+kh+h+kh^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= 1+(k+1)h+kh^2 \\ &> 1+(k+1)h \quad (\text{since } kh^2 > 0)\end{aligned}$$

we have shown the statement is true for  $n=k+1$ .

Step 3: By mathematical induction, since the statement is true for  $n=2$ , & if it is true for  $n=k$  it is necessarily true for  $n=k+1$ , we have shown

$$(1+h)^n > 1+nh$$

for all natural numbers  $n \geq 2$

Proposition: If  $n$  is a positive integer, then  $64 \mid (3^{2n+1} + 40n - 3)$ .

Proof (by induction)

when  $n=1$ ,  $3^{2n+1} + 40n - 3 = 3^3 + 40 - 3 = 27 + 40 - 3 = 64$ .

So when  $n=1$ ,  $64 \mid 3^{2n+1} + 40n - 3$ . The induction is anchored.

Now suppose  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $64 \mid (3^{2k+1} + 40k - 3)$ . By the definition of divides, we can choose  $a \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$3^{2k+1} + 40k - 3 = 64a. \text{ Now suppose } k \in \mathbb{N}. \text{ we must}$$

$$\text{show } 64 \mid (3^{2(k+1)+1} + 40(k+1) - 3)$$

$$3^{2(k+1)+1} + 40(k+1) - 3 = 3^{2k+3} + 40k + 40 - 3$$

$$= 3^2 \cdot 3^{2k+1} + 40k + 37$$

$$= 9 \cdot 3^{2k+1} + \underbrace{9 \cdot 40k - 9 \cdot 40k - 9 \cdot 3 + 9 \cdot 3}_{\text{(by adding and subtracting the same number)}} + 40k + 37$$

$$= 9 \cdot 3^{2k+1} + 9 \cdot 40k - 9 \cdot 3 - 9 \cdot 40k + 40k + 9 \cdot 3 + 37$$

$$= 9(3^{2k+1} + 40k - 3) - 320k + 64$$

$$= 9(64a) + 64(5k + 1)$$

$$= 64(9a + 5k + 1)$$

By the definition of divides,  $64 \mid (3^{2(k+1)+1} + 40(k+1) - 3)$ .

By induction,  $64 \mid (3^{2n+1} + 40n - 3)$  for all natural numbers  $n$ .