

**Problems Solved:**

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**Problem 1.** A function  $f$  is given by  $f(0) = 1$  and  $f(n+1) = 2f(n)$  for  $n \geq 0$ . Show by induction that  $f(n) = 2^n$  for  $n \geq 0$ .

**Problem 2.** Let  $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$  be a language over the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{a, b, c, d\}$  such that a word  $w$  is in  $L$  if and only if it is either  $a$  or  $b$  or of the form  $w = ducvd$  where  $u$  and  $v$  are words of  $L$ . For example,  $dacad$ ,  $ddacbdcad$ ,  $dddbcbdcdbcbddcad$  are words in  $L$ . Show by induction that every word of  $L$  contains an even number of the letter  $d$ .

Note that a *language* is just a set of words and a *word* is simply a finite sequence of letters from the alphabet.

**Problem 3.** Show that

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \forall y \in \mathbb{R} : \quad x^2 + y^4 = 10 \implies x \leq 4.$$

*Hint:* (indirect proof) In order to show  $A \implies B$  one may assume  $A$  and also the opposite of  $B$ , i.e.,  $\neg B$  and from these two assumptions derive a contradiction.

**Problem 4.** Construct a deterministic finite state machine  $M$  over the alphabet  $\{a, b, c\}$  such that it accepts the language  $L(M) = \{abc\}$ .

- Draw the graph.
- Provide the components of the defining quintuple explicitly.
- What has to be changed in order for the machine to accept all finite repetitions of the string  $abc$ ? (The empty word shall not be accepted.)

**Problem 5.** Construct a nondeterministic finite state machine for:

- the language  $L_1$  of all strings over  $\{0, 1\}$  that contain 100 as a substring.
- the language  $L_2$  of all strings over  $\{0, 1\}$  that contain the letters 1, 0, 0 in exactly that order. (Note that before, in between and after these three letters any number of other letters may occur).

Your two machines must not use more than 4 states. Moreover, they should only differ in their transition functions. Draw their transition graphs.