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EECS 1028E. Problem Set No4

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**Due:** Dec. 3, 2024; by 5:00pm, in eClass.

**Q:** How do I submit?

**A:**

- (1) Submission must be a **SINGLE** *standalone* file to eClass. Submission by email is not accepted.
- (2) Accepted File Types: PNG, JPEG, PDF, RTF, MS WORD, OPEN OFFICE, ZIP
- (3) Deadline is strict, electronically limited.
- (4) MAXIMUM file size = 10MB



It is worth remembering (from the course outline):

The homework **must** be each individual's own work. While consultations with the instructor, tutor, and among students, are part of the learning process and are encouraged, **nevertheless**, *at the end of all this consultation* each student will have to produce an individual report rather than a *copy* (full or partial) of somebody else's report.

The concept of "late assignments" does not exist in this course, as you recall.



1. (1 MARK) Define: “ $A$  is uncountable”.
2. (5 MARKS) Prove that if  $A$  is uncountable and  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $B$  is also uncountable.
3. (5 MARKS) Prove that  $\vdash (\forall x)(A \rightarrow B) \rightarrow (\exists x)A \rightarrow (\exists x)B$ .
4. (5 MARKS) Given the recurrence equations below that define  $b_n$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .

Use CV Induction to prove that  $b_n \leq 3^n$  for  $n \geq 0$ .

$$b_0 = 1, b_1 = 2, b_3 = 3$$

*and*

$$b_k = b_{k-1} + b_{k-2} + b_{k-3}, \text{ for } k \geq 3$$

5. (3 MARKS) Consider the statement (formula)

$$(\exists x)A(x) \rightarrow A(z) \tag{1}$$

where  $z$  is a *new* variable *not free* (not an “input variable”) in  $A(x)$ .

Find now a *specific, very simple, example* of  $A(x)$  over the set  $\mathbb{N}$  and choose a specific value of  $z \in \mathbb{N}$  so that (1) becomes **false** (meaning we cannot prove it, since proofs start from true axioms and preserve truth at every step).

6. (5 MARKS) Using simple induction prove that

$$1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

for  $n \geq 1$ .