

4.1 - 2. Sequences and Mathematical Induction.

Given integers $m \leq n$, a sequence starting at the m -th term, and ending in the n -th term is a map $A: \{m, m+1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

The value of A at k is denoted by A_k (instead of $A(k)$).

We denote this sequence by $\{A_k\}_{k=m}^n$, or A_m, A_{m+1}, \dots, A_n .

We can also consider infinite sequences, i.e., when $n = \infty$ or $m = -\infty$ or both.

$$\text{Sum: } \sum_{k=m}^n A_k = A_m + A_{m+1} + \dots + A_n$$

When $\{A_k\}$ is an infinite sequence, this is also called a series, and is defined by a limit.

$$\text{Product: } \prod_{k=m}^n A_k = A_m \cdot A_{m+1} \cdots A_n$$

$$(i) \sum_{k=m}^n A_k + \sum_{k=m}^n B_k = \sum_{k=m}^n (A_k + B_k)$$

$$(ii) c \sum_{k=m}^n A_k = \sum_{k=m}^n (c \cdot A_k)$$

$$(iii) (\prod_{k=m}^n A_k) \cdot (\prod_{k=m}^n B_k) = \prod_{k=m}^n (A_k \cdot B_k)$$

Change of subindex:

$$\sum_{k=m}^n A_k = \sum_{i=m+1}^{n+1} A_{i-1} \quad (i-1=k)$$

$$\prod_{k=m}^n A_k = \prod_{i=m+1}^{n+1} A_{i-1}$$

Mathematical Induction

Let $P(n)$ be a property defined for integers n , and a be a fixed integer. (I) If (i) $P(a)$ is true (ii) $P(k)$ is true $\Rightarrow P(k+1)$ is true for $\forall k \geq a$, then $P(n)$ is true for $\forall n \geq a$.

Slightly stronger:

(II) If (i) $P(a)$ is true, (ii) $P(a), P(a+1), \dots, P(k)$ are true $\Rightarrow P(k+1)$ is true for $\forall k \geq a$ then $P(n)$ is true for $\forall n \geq a$.

(Consider $Q(k) = P(a) \wedge P(a+1) \wedge \dots \wedge P(k)$. Then (II) reduces to (I).)

Eg. For any $n \geq 8$, $3x+5y = n$ has non-negative integer solutions.

Proof. If $n=8$, $x=y=1$ is a solution. Assume that $k \geq 8$ and $3x+5y = k$ has a non-negative integer solution (x_0, y_0) . (i) If $y_0 \neq 0$, then (x_0+2, y_0-1) is a solution of $3x+5y = k+1$ ($3(x_0+2)+5(y_0-1) = 3x_0+5y_0+6-5 = k+1$). (ii) If $y_0 = 0$, then $3x_0 = 8 \Rightarrow x_0 \geq 3$. So $(x_0-3, 2)$ is a solution to $3x+5y = k+1$.

So $3x+5y = k+1$ has a non-negative integer solution.

$\Rightarrow 3x+5y = n$ has non-negative integer solutions for $\forall n \geq 8$.

Eg. Prove that $\sum_{k=1}^n k = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

Proof. $n=1 \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^1 k = 1, \frac{1(1+1)}{2} = 1$. (true for $n=1$).

Assume that $\sum_{k=1}^m k = \frac{m(m+1)}{2}$. Then $\sum_{k=1}^{m+1} k = \sum_{k=1}^m k + (m+1) = \frac{m(m+1)}{2} + (m+1) = \frac{(m+1)(m+2)}{2}$ (true for $m+1$).

$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n k = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ for $\forall n \geq 1$.

Eg. $\sum_{k=0}^n ar^k = a \frac{r^{n+1}-1}{r-1}$ for any $n \geq 0, r \neq 1$.

Proof. $n=0 \Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^0 ar^k = a, a \frac{r-1}{r-1} = a$. ($n=1$ true)

Assume that $\sum_{k=0}^m ar^k = a \frac{r^{m+1}-1}{r-1}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{m+1} ar^k &= (\sum_{k=0}^m ar^k) + ar^{m+1} = a \frac{r^{m+1}-1}{r-1} + ar^{m+1} \\ &= a \frac{r^{m+1}-1 + r^{m+2} - r^{m+1}}{r-1} = a \frac{r^{m+2}-1}{r-1} \quad (M+1 \text{ true}) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n ar^k = a \frac{r^{n+1}-1}{r-1} \quad \forall n \geq 0, r \neq 1$.

Mathematical Induction (III). $\overbrace{\text{If (i) } P(a), P(a+1), \dots, P(a+l)}$

are true; (ii) For any $k \geq a$, $P(k), P(k+1), \dots, P(k+l)$ are true

$\Rightarrow P(k+l+1)$ is true, then $P(n)$ is true for $\forall n \geq a$.

Eg. There are n different letters L_1, \dots, L_n intended for n different recipients R_1, \dots, R_n , respectively.

Prove by induction on n that there are

$n! \left(\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \right)$ ways to send the letters so that every recipient gets a wrong letter.

Proof. Let A_n be the set of ways to send the n letters so that every recipient gets a wrong letter. And $a_n = |A_n|$.

Assume $n \geq 3$. Let B_k be the subset of A_n consisting of ways that R_i gets L_k . Of course, $B_1 = \emptyset$. For $1 < k \leq n$, consider what letter does R_k get. Let C_k be the subset of B_k consisting ways R_k gets L_1 , and D_k be the subset of B_k consisting ways R_k does not get L_1 . Then $B_k = C_k \cup D_k$, $C_k \cap D_k = \emptyset$. $|C_k| = a_{n-2}$, $|D_k| = a_{n-1}$.

$\Rightarrow |B_k| = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$. But $\{B_2, B_3, \dots, B_n\}$ is a partition of A_n . So $a_n = |A_n| = \sum_{k=2}^n |B_k| = (n-1)(a_{n-2} + a_{n-1})$.

Substitute n by $m+2$, then $a_{m+2} = (m+1)(a_m + a_{m+1})$ for $m=1, 2, \dots$

Use Math Induction (II) ($l=1$).

(i) $n=1$, $a_n=0$ and $n! \left(\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \right) = 0$.

$n=2$, $a_n=1$ and $n! \left(\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \right) = 1$.

So $a_n = n! \left(\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \right)$ for $n=1, 2$.

(ii) Assume $m \geq 1$, and $a_m = m! \left(\sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \right)$, $a_{m+1} = (m+1)! \left(\sum_{k=0}^{m+1} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \right)$.

$$\text{Then } a_{m+2} = (m+1)(a_m + a_{m+1}) = (m+1) \left(\sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k m!}{k!} + \sum_{k=0}^{m+1} \frac{(-1)^k (m+1)!}{k!} \right) \\ = (m+1) \left(\sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k (m! + (m+1)!) \cdot k!}{k!} \right) + (m+1) (-1)^{m+1} \frac{(m+1)!}{(m+1)!}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k (m+1)! + (m+1)! \cdot (m+1)}{k!} \right) + (m+1) (-1)^{m+1}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k (m+2)!}{k!} \right) + (-1)^{m+1} \frac{(m+2)!}{(m+1)!} + (-1)^{m+2} \frac{(m+2)!}{(m+2)!}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{m+2} (-1)^k \frac{(m+2)!}{k!} \quad (\text{true for } m+2).$$

\Rightarrow true for $\forall n \geq 1$, i.e.,

$$a_n = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \frac{n!}{k!}.$$

6.7 The Binomial THM

$$(a+b)^2 = (a+b)(a+b) = aa + ab + ba + bb$$

$$(a+b)^3 = (a+b)(a+b)(a+b) = aaa + aab + aba + abb$$

$$+ bab + bab + bba + bbb$$

$$(a+b)^4 = (a+b)(a+b)(a+b)(a+b)$$

each term in the expansion corresponds to a string of length 4 over $\{a, b\}$. And any such string gives you a unique term.

But multiplication is commutative. So many of these terms are equal. Indeed, as long as the # of a's and # of b's in two strings are the same, they correspond to the equal terms. So $a^i b^{4-i}$ appears $\binom{4}{i}$ times in the sum, $i=0, 1, \dots, 4$.

$$\Rightarrow (a+b)^4 = \sum_{i=0}^4 \binom{4}{i} a^i b^{4-i}$$

In general, a term in the expansion for $(a+b)^n$ corresponds to a string of length n over $\{a, b\}$. And any string corresponds to a unique term. So $a^i b^{n-i}$ appears $\binom{n}{i}$ times in the sum. This combinatorically proved.

$$\text{THM. } (a+b)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} a^i b^{n-i} \text{ for } \forall n \geq 0$$

Algebraic Proof by Induction.

$$(i) n=0, \text{ l.h.s} = (a+b)^0 = 1, \text{ r.h.s} = \sum_{i=0}^0 \binom{0}{i} a^i b^{0-i} = 1.$$

$$(ii) \text{ Assume } (a+b)^k = \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} a^i b^{k-i} \text{ for some } k \geq 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } (a+b)^{k+1} &= (a+b)(a+b)^k = (a+b) \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} a^i b^{k-i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k \binom{k}{i} a^{i+1} b^{k-i} + \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} a^i b^{k-i+1} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} \binom{k}{j-1} a^j b^{k+1-j} + \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{k}{j} a^j b^{k-j+1} \\ &= \binom{k}{0} a^0 b^{k+1-0} + \sum_{j=1}^k \left(\binom{k}{j-1} + \binom{k}{j} \right) a^j b^{k+1-j} + \binom{k}{k+1} a^{k+1} b^{k+1-(k+1)} \\ &= \binom{k+1}{0} a^0 b^{k+1-0} + \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} \binom{k+1}{j} a^j b^{k+1-j} + \binom{k+1}{k+1} a^{k+1} b^{k+1-(k+1)} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} \binom{k+1}{j} a^j b^{k+1-j}. \end{aligned}$$

Note $\binom{k+1}{j} = \binom{k}{j} + \binom{k}{j-1}$

Note, the coefficients of $(a+b)^n$ are, the n -th row of the Pascal's Triangle.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & 1 & 2 & 1 & \\ & & 1 & 3 & 3 & 1 & -3 \\ & & 1 & 4 & 6 & 4 & 1 & -4 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Ex (a)} (a+b)^5 = \sum_{i=0}^5 \binom{5}{i} a^i b^{5-i} = b^5 + 5ab^4 + 10a^2b^3 + 10a^3b^2 + 5a^4b + a^5$$

$$\text{(b)} (x-4y)^4 = \sum_{i=0}^4 \binom{4}{i} x^{4-i} (-4y)^i$$

$$= x^4 + 4x^3(-4y) + 6x^2(-4y)^2 + 4x(-4y)^3 + (-4y)^4$$

$$= x^4 - 16x^3y + 96x^2y^2 - 256xy^3 + 256y^4$$

$$\text{Ex } \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = ?$$

(i) Let $a=b=1$ in the Binomial THM.

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = (1+1)^n = 2^n$$

(ii) Let X be a set consisting of n elements.

Then $\binom{n}{k} = \# \text{ of subsets of } X \text{ of } k \text{ elements, } k=0,1,2,\dots,n$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = \# \text{ of subsets of } X = 2^n.$$

$$\text{Ex. } \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} 9^k = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} 9^k 1^{n-k} = (9+1)^n = 10^n$$

Multiplication of polynomials

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^m a_k x^k \quad g(x) = \sum_{l=0}^n b_l x^l$$

$$f(x) \cdot g(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{m+n} c_i x^i, \text{ where}$$

$$c_i = \sum_{\substack{k+l=i \\ 0 \leq k \leq m \\ 0 \leq l \leq n}} a_k b_l$$

If we fix that $a_k = 0$ if $k > m$, and $b_l = 0$ if $l > n$.

$$\text{then } c_i = \sum_{k=0}^i a_k b_{i-k}.$$

Eg. (1) $(1+x)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k$, let $a=x, b=1$ in BTHM.

(2) Prove $2^{n-1} = \frac{1}{n} (\binom{n}{1} + 2\binom{n}{2} + \dots + n\binom{n}{n})$ for $n \geq 1$

and $0 = \sum_{k=1}^n k\binom{n}{k} (-1)^k$ for $n \geq 2$.

$$\begin{aligned} n(1+x)^{n-1} &= \frac{d}{dx}(1+x)^n = \frac{d}{dx} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \frac{d}{dx}(x^k) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n k\binom{n}{k} x^k, \quad (k=0 \text{ term vanishes since } \frac{d}{dx}(1)=0) \end{aligned}$$

When $n \geq 1$, plug in $x=1$, and get

$$n \cdot 2^{n-1} = \sum_{k=1}^n k\binom{n}{k}, \Rightarrow 2^{n-1} = \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n k\binom{n}{k} \right).$$

When $n \geq 2$, plug in $x=-1$, \Rightarrow

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k\binom{n}{k} (-1)^k = n(-1)^{n-1} = 0.$$

(3) Prove $\binom{2n}{n} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{n}{n-k}$.

Algebraic Proof. $\binom{2n}{n}$ = coefficient of x^n in $(1+x)^{2n} = (1+x)^n \cdot (1+x)^n$.

$$\Rightarrow \binom{2n}{n} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{n}{n-k}.$$

Combinatorial Proof. Let A, B be two disjoint sets of n elements. $C = A \cup B$. $|C| = 2n$.

$\binom{2n}{n}$ = # of subsets of C of n elements

$\binom{n}{k} \binom{n}{n-k}$ = # of subset of C of n elements with k elements from A, $n-k$ elements from B.

$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{n}{n-k}$ = # of subsets of C of n elements

$$\Rightarrow \binom{2n}{n} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{n}{n-k}.$$

Note $\binom{n}{n-k} = \binom{n}{k}$, we have $\binom{2n}{n} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2$.

4.3-4 More on mathematical induction

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$$\text{Eg. } \prod_{k=2}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right) = \frac{1}{n} \text{ for } n \geq 2$$

$$(i) \quad n=2 \Rightarrow \prod_{k=2}^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ i.e., } n=2 \text{ true.}$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{Assume } \prod_{k=2}^m \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right) = \frac{1}{m} \text{ for some } m \geq 2.$$

$$\text{Then } \prod_{k=2}^{m+1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{m+1}\right) \prod_{k=2}^m \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right) = \frac{m}{m+1} \cdot \frac{1}{m} = \frac{1}{m+1},$$

i.e., $n=m+1$ true.

$$(i) \& (ii) \Rightarrow \prod_{k=2}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right) = \frac{1}{n} \text{ for } \forall n \geq 2.$$

$$(\text{Note } 1 - \frac{1}{k} = \frac{k-1}{k}. \text{ So } \prod_{k=2}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \cdots \frac{n-1}{n} = \frac{1}{n}).$$

$$\text{Eg. } 3 \mid 2^{2^n} - 1 \quad n \geq 1.$$

$$(i) \quad n=1, \quad 2^{2^1} - 1 = 3, \quad \text{So } n=1 \text{ true.}$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{Assume } 3 \mid 2^{2^m} - 1. \quad 2^{2^{(m+1)}} - 1 = 4 \cdot 2^{2^m} - 1 = 3 \cdot 2^{2^m} + (2^{2^m} - 1).$$

$$\text{So } 3 \mid 2^{2^{(m+1)}} - 1.$$

$$(i) \& (ii) \Rightarrow 3 \mid 2^{2^n} - 1, \quad n \geq 1.$$

$$(\text{Note } 2^{2^n} = 4^n, \quad \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} 4^k = \frac{4^n - 1}{4 - 1} = \frac{4^n - 1}{3}. \Rightarrow 2^{2^n} - 1 = 3 \left(\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} 4^k \right).)$$

$$\text{Eg. } 2n+1 < 2^n, \quad n \geq 3.$$

$$(i) \quad n=3 \Rightarrow 2n+1=7, \quad 2^n=8, \quad 7 < 8.$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{Assume } 2m+1 < 2^m \text{ for some } m \geq 3. \quad \text{Then}$$

$$2^{m+1} = 2 \cdot 2^m > 2(2m+1) = 2m+1 + 2m+1 > 2m+1+2 = 2(m+1)+1.$$

$$(i) \& (ii) \Rightarrow 2n+1 < 2^n \quad \forall n \geq 3.$$

Eg. The sequence $\{a_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ satisfies $a_0 = a$, $a_k = r a_{k-1}$.

$$\text{Show } a_k = ar^k, \quad k \geq 0.$$

$$(i) \quad a_0 = a = ar^0. \quad (ii) \quad \text{Assume } a_m = ar^m, \text{ then } a_{m+1} = ra_m = ar^{m+1}.$$

$$(i) \& (ii) \Rightarrow a_k = ar^k, \quad k \geq 0.$$

Eg. Any integer > 1 is divisible by a prime number.

(i) $n=2$ is prime. \Rightarrow true for $n=2$.

(ii) Assume any integer k with $m \geq k \geq 1$ is divisible by a prime for some $k \geq 2$. Consider $m+1$. If $m+1$ is prime, then $m+1 \mid m+1$. If $m+1$ is not prime, then $\exists 1 < k \leq m$, s.t. $k \mid m+1$. But \exists prime number $p \mid k$. So $p \mid m+1$.

$\Rightarrow m+1$ is divisible by a prime number

(i) & (ii) \Rightarrow the proposition.

Eg. The sequence $\{a_n\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ satisfies $a_0 = 0$, $a_k = 3a_{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} + 2$.

Show that $2 \mid a_k$ $\forall k \geq 1$.

(i) $k=1 \Rightarrow a_k = a_1 = 0$. $2 \mid 0$.

(ii) Assume a_k is even when $1 \leq k \leq m$ for some $m \geq 1$.

$m+1 \geq 2$, so $1 \leq \lfloor \frac{m+1}{2} \rfloor \leq m$. $\Rightarrow a_{\lfloor \frac{m+1}{2} \rfloor}$ is even.

$\Rightarrow 2 \mid a_{m+1} = 3a_{\lfloor \frac{m+1}{2} \rfloor} + 2$.

(i) & (ii) $\Rightarrow 2 \mid a_k$, $\forall k \geq 1$.

Eg. For any $n \geq 1$, there is a unique $r \geq 0$, and sequence

$\{c_j\}_{j=0}^r$, s.t., $c_r = 1$, $c_j = 0$ or 1 , $0 \leq j \leq r$, $n = \sum_{j=0}^r c_j \cdot 2^j$.

Proof. Existence.

(i) $n=1$, Choose $r=0$, $c_0=1$. $1 = 1 \cdot 2^0 = 1$.

(ii) Assume that, for an $m \geq 1$, any integer k satisfying $1 \leq k \leq m$, has a binary integer rep. Consider $m+1$. (A) if m is even, then $1 \leq \frac{m}{2} \leq m$. $\exists r \geq 0$, $\{c_j\}_{j=0}^r$, s.t. $c_r = 1$, $c_j = 0$ or 1 , and $\frac{m}{2} = \sum_{j=0}^r c_j \cdot 2^j$. Then $m+1 = (\sum_{j=1}^{r+1} c_{j-1} \cdot 2^j) + 1 \cdot 2^0$. Then $m+1$ has a binary integer rep. (B) if m is odd,

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then $\frac{m+1}{2}$ is an integer, and $1 \leq \frac{m+1}{2} \leq m$. So

$\exists r \geq 0$, $\{c_j\}_{j=0}^r$, s.t., $c_r = 1$, $c_j = 0$ or 1 , and $\frac{m+1}{2} = \sum_{j=0}^r c_j 2^j$.

$$\text{So } m+1 = \left(\sum_{j=1}^{r+1} c_j 2^j \right) + 0 \cdot 2^0.$$

(i) & (ii) \Rightarrow any $n \geq 1$ has a binary integer rep.

Uniqueness.

(i) $n=1$. It's clear that we have to have $r=0$, $c_0=1$.

So the binary integer rep of 1 is unique.

(iii) Assume for any $1 \leq k \leq m$, k has a unique binary rep.

Consider $m+1$. Let $\{c_i\}_{i=0}^r$, $\{d_j\}_{j=0}^s$ be any two binary reps. of $m+1$, i.e., $c_r = d_s = 1$, $c_i, d_j = 0, 1$. $m+1 = \sum_{i=0}^r c_i 2^i = \sum_{j=0}^s d_j 2^j$. If $r < s$, then $m+1 = \sum_{i=0}^r c_i 2^i \leq \sum_{i=0}^r 2^i = 2^{r+1} < 2^{r+1} \leq 2^s \leq \sum_{j=0}^s d_j 2^j = m+1$.

This is a contradiction. If $s < r$, we can again prove $m+1 < m+1$, which is again a contradiction. So $r=s$, and the two binary reps.

are $\{c_i\}_{i=0}^r$, $\{d_j\}_{j=0}^r$, $c_r = d_r = 1$, $c_i, d_j = 0$ or 1 . $m+1 = \sum_{i=0}^r c_i 2^i = \sum_{j=0}^r d_j 2^j$.

Consider $m+1 - 2^r$. If $m+1 - 2^r = 0$, then $\sum_{i=0}^{r-1} c_i 2^i = \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} d_j 2^j = 0$.

$$\Rightarrow c_i = d_j = 0, 0 \leq i, j \leq r-1. \Rightarrow \{c_i\}_{i=0}^r = \{d_j\}_{j=0}^r.$$

If $m+1 - 2^r \neq 0$, then $1 \leq m+1 - 2^r \leq m$. By induction

hypothesis, $\{c_i\}_{i=0}^{r-1} = \{d_j\}_{j=0}^{r-1}$. $\Rightarrow \{c_i\}_{i=0}^r = \{d_j\}_{j=0}^r$.

$\Rightarrow m+1$ has a unique binary integer rep.

(i) & (iii) \Rightarrow The binary integer rep of any n is unique.

Well-Ordering Principle for the Integers.

THM. Let \mathbb{Z} be the set of integers, and X a non-empty subset of \mathbb{Z} . If $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$, s.t., all elements of X are $\geq k$, then \exists an element x_0 of X , s.t., $x_0 \leq x$ for any $x \in X$.

Quotient - Remainder

If $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $d > 0$, then \exists a unique ordered pair $(q, r) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$, s.t., $n = dq + r$, $0 \leq r < d$.

Proof. Let $X = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x = n - dk \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z}, \text{ and } x \geq 0\}$.

First, $X \neq \emptyset$. Indeed, if $n \geq 0$, then $n = n - d \cdot 0 \in X$, and, if $n < 0$, then $x = n - nd = n(1-d) \in X$. But all elements of X are ≥ 0 . So $\exists r \in X$, s.t., for $\forall x \in X$, $r \leq x$.

If $r \geq d$, then $r - d \geq 0$, and $r - d = n - d(q - 1) = n - d(q + 1)$.

So $r - d \in X \Rightarrow r - d \geq r$. This is a contradiction.

So $0 \leq r < d$. And (q, r) is a pair satisfying the conditions. If there are two such pairs, say, (q_1, r_1) and (q_2, r_2) , then $n = q_1d + r_1 = q_2d + r_2$, $0 \leq r_1, r_2 < d$.

So $-d < r_1 - r_2 < d$, $q_2 - q_1 = \frac{r_1 - r_2}{d}$.

$\Rightarrow -1 < q_2 - q_1 < 1 \Rightarrow q_2 = q_1 \Rightarrow r_1 = r_2$.

So the pair (q, r) is unique.