

## CISC-102 FALL 2018

### HOMEWORK 3

Please work on these problems and be prepared for solutions in class next Thursday. Assignments will not be collected for grading.

#### READINGS

Read sections 1.8 of *Schaum's Outline of Discrete Mathematics*.

Read section 2.1 of *Discrete Mathematics Elementary and Beyond*.

#### PROBLEMS

(1) Prove using mathematical induction that the sum of the first  $n$  natural numbers is equal to  $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ . This can also be stated as:  
Prove that the proposition  $P(n)$ ,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

(2) Prove using mathematical induction that the proposition  $P(n)$ ,

$$\sum_{i=2}^n i = \frac{(n-1)(n+2)}{2}$$

is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

(3) Prove using mathematical induction that the proposition  $P(n)$ ,

$$\sum_{i=3}^n i = \frac{(n-2)(n+3)}{2}$$

is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

(4) Prove using mathematical induction that the proposition  $P(n)$

$$n! \leq n^n$$

is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .