

Formal Languages and Automata Theory
Homework # 1

Prove each of the following by induction. You should explicitly state the basis, inductive hypothesis, and the inductive step in each proof. Also indicate whether 1st (weak) or 2nd (strong) form is used or required. Exercises to be handed in include 4,6 and 8. Homework is due at the beginning of class.

1. $n! > 2^n$ for all $n \geq 4$.
2. The number of *leaves* in a complete binary tree with height h is 2^h .
3. The number of *vertices* in a complete binary tree with height at most h is at most $2^{h+1} - 1$.
4. The number of *vertices* in a binary tree with height h is *at most* $2^{h+1} - 1$.
5. $\sum_{i=1}^n 2^i = 2^{n+1} - 2$, for all $n \geq 1$.
6. $\sum_{i=1}^n (3i - 1) = \frac{n(3n+1)}{2}$, for all $n \geq 1$.
7. $1 + 2^n < 3^n$, for all $n > 2$.
8. Prove that 3 is a factor of $n^3 - n + 3$, for all $n \geq 0$.
9. The number of leaves in a binary tree of height h is *at most* 2^h .
10. The number of vertices in a strictly binary tree with n leaves is $2n - 1$ (recall that a strictly binary tree is a binary tree where every node has zero or two children).