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9. True or False. If true, **prove** it. If false, then give a **counterexample**. For all sets  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$ ,  $A \setminus (B \setminus C) = (A \setminus B) \setminus C$ .

**Fake**  $A = B = C = \{1\}$   
 $A \setminus (B \setminus C) = A \setminus \emptyset = \{1\}$   
 $(A \setminus B) \setminus C = \emptyset \setminus C = \emptyset$

10. Solve the recurrence relation  $d_k = 2d_{k-1} + 3$ , for all integers  $k \geq 2$ ,  $d_1 = 2$ .

$d_1 = 2$   
 $d_2 = 2 \cdot 2 + 3$   
 $d_3 = 2(2 \cdot 2 + 3) + 3$   
 $d_4 = 2(2^3 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3) + 3$   
 $d_5 = 2(2^4 + 2^2 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3) + 3$   
 $d_n = 2^n + 3(2^{n-2} + 2^{n-3} + \dots + 2^1 + 2^0)$   
 $= 2^n + 3 \frac{2^{n-1} - 1}{2 - 1}$   
 $= 2^{n-1}(2 + 3) - 3$

We guess  $d_n = 5(2^{n-1}) - 3$   
 Check using Induction  
 $d_1 = 5 \cdot 2^0 - 3 = 2 \checkmark$   
 If  $d_n = 5 \cdot 2^{n-1} - 3$ , then  
 $d_{n+1} = 2 \cdot d_n + 3 = 2(5 \cdot 2^{n-1} - 3) + 3$   
 $= 5 \cdot 2^n - 6 + 3 = 5 \cdot 2^n - 3 \checkmark$

11. A single pair of rabbits (male and female) is born at the beginning of a year.

Let  $r_n$  equal the number of rabbit pairs alive at the end of month  $n$ , for each integer  $n \geq 1$ , and let  $r_0 = 1$ . Find a recurrence relation for  $r_0, r_1, r_2, r_3, \dots$ .

Assume the following conditions:

- (a) Rabbit pairs are not fertile during their first month of life, but thereafter give birth to four new male/female pairs at the end of every month.
- (b) No deaths occur during the year.

$r_0 = 1$   
 $r_1 = 1$   
 $r_2 = 1 + 1$   
 $r_3 = 5 + 4 \cdot 1 = 9$   
 $r_4 = 9 + 4 \cdot 5 = 29$   
 $r_n = r_{n-1} + 4r_{n-2}$  for  $n \geq 1$   
 $r_0 = 1$