

Thm. **Theorem 17.** For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i(i!) = (n+1)! - 1.$$

►. Using math induction, prove Theorem 17.

○. Hints.

Recall $n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdots (n-1) \cdot n = n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdots 2 \cdot 1$.

So $(n!)(n+1) = (1 \cdot 2 \cdots n)(n+1) = (n+1)!$.

Don't forget needed parentheses: $(n!)(n+1) \neq (n!)n+1$.

BS. Let $n = 1$.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i(i!) = \sum_{i=1}^1 i(i!) = 1(1!) = 1(1) = 1$$

and

$$(n+1)! - 1 = (1+1)! - 1 = (2)! - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1$$

IS. Fix $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i(i!) = (n+1)! - 1. \tag{IH}$$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i(i!) = ((n+1)+1)! - 1.$$

i.e.,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i(i!) = (n+2)! - 1. \tag{IC}$$

Well

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i(i!) = \left[\sum_{i=1}^n i(i!) \right] + (n+1)(n+1)!$$

and by (IH)

$$= [(n+1)! - 1] + (n+1)(n+1)!$$

now just algebra

$$= (n+1)! + (n+1)(n+1)! - 1$$

$$= (n+1)! [1 + (n+1)] - 1$$

$$= (n+1)! [n+2] - 1$$

$$= (n+2)! - 1.$$