

Proposition: $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in [0, 1]$

$$\text{Then } \prod_{i=1}^n (1-x_i) \geq 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

Induction on n .

Basis case:

$$n=1 \quad L-H-S = 1-x_1$$

$$R-H-S = 1-x_1 \quad \checkmark$$

Inductive hypothesis:

Assume (*) is true for $n \geq 2$

now we show that * holds for $n+1$

$$1) \text{ So, } \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} (1-x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n (1-x_i) (1-x_{n+1}) \geq$$

$$2) \stackrel{IH}{\geq} \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) (1-x_{n+1})$$

$$3) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - x_{n+1} + x_{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$4) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} x_i + x_{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$5) \geq 1 - \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} x_i, \text{ since } x_i \in [0, 1]$$