

MAT 2440

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Writing Assignment 3 on *Mathematical Induction* (20 points)

It is due on **Monday, November 20, 2017** at the beginning of class. **No late homework will be accepted.**

Note: For credit write clear and logical explanations using complete sentences. Papers will be graded on both writing and mathematics. I am not considering incomplete and/or disorganized papers.

- 1) **Homework 4, page 329.** Make sure you give complete answers to all parts of the problem.
- 2) What is the sum of the cubes of the first 100 positive integers? (Hint: use problem 1).
- 3) Use Mathematical Induction to prove that $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n \cdot (n+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}$ for any positive integer n .