

① Predicate: ~~$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$~~ , each set with n elements has 2^{n-1} subsets with odd size.

$$P(n): \forall S, |S|=n, n \geq 1 \Rightarrow |P_{\text{odd}}(S)| = 2^{n-1}$$

Base case: $P(1)$ holds

$$IS: P(n) \rightarrow P(n+1)$$

$$P(1): [\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 1 \wedge P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)] \Rightarrow \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 1, P(n)$$

IH: We assume for a general natural $\# n \rightarrow P(n)$

$$|P_{\text{odd}}(S)| = 2^{n-1}, |S| = n$$

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$$\text{want } |P_{\text{odd}}(S_{n+1})| = 2^n, |S_{n+1}| = n+1 \quad \text{Winter 2015}$$

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1. Use a variation of simple induction to prove that for most natural numbers n , any set of n elements has 2^{n-1} subsets with an odd number of elements.

$$|P_{\text{odd}}(S)| = \frac{1}{2} |P(S)| = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2^n = 2^{n-1} = |P_{\text{even}}(S)|, S_{n+1} = S_n \cup \{a_{n+1}\}$$

$$P(S_{n+1}) = P(S_n) \cup \{X \cup \{a_{n+1}\} \mid X \in P(S_n)\}$$

$$P(S_n) = P_{\text{odd}}(S_n) \cup P_{\text{even}}(S_n), P_{\text{odd}}(S_n) \cap P_{\text{even}}(S_n) = \emptyset$$

$$P_{\text{odd}}(S_{n+1}) = P_{\text{odd}}(S_n) \cup \{X \cup \{a_{n+1}\} \mid X \in P_{\text{even}}(S_n)\}$$

$$|P_{\text{odd}}(S_{n+1})| = |P_{\text{odd}}(S_n)| + |*|$$

$$2^n = 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-1}$$

done. ✓

2. We proved in class that for all natural numbers n , $3^n \geq n^3$. Your task is to complete the following alternative proof.

Define $P(n) := "3^n \geq n^3"$.

As before, we prove $\forall n. P(n)$ by a variation of simple induction.

Base case: you decide what base cases you need. We used 0, 1, 2, 3 in class, but this is a different proof, so perhaps you will need a smaller or larger number of base cases.

Let n be an arbitrary natural number that is at least as large as your largest base case. Assume $P(n)$.

Goal: $3^{n+1} \geq (n+1)^3$, or equivalently $(n+1)^3 \leq 3^{n+1}$.

Expanding $(n+1)^3$ gives $n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n + 1$. Hence, the Goal is equivalent to:

NewGoal: $n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n + 1 \leq 3^{n+1}$.

Prove NewGoal!

$$\textcircled{2} P(n): \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, 3^n \geq n^3$$

Base cases: $n=0, 1 \geq 0$

$$n=1, 3 \geq 1$$

$$n=2, 9 \geq 8$$

$$n=3, 27 \geq 27$$

IH: Assume for general $n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 3, P(n) \rightarrow P(n+1)$

$$P(n): 3^n \geq n^3$$

$$P(n+1): 3^{n+1} \geq (n+1)^3 = n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n + 1$$

$$3^{n+1} = 3 \cdot 3^n = 3^n + 3^n + 3^n \geq n^3 + n^3 + n^3 \geq n^3 + n(n^2) + n^2 \cdot n \geq n^3 + 3n^2 + 9n$$

$$\geq n^3 + 3n^2 + 6n + 3n$$

$$\geq n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n + 1$$

$$= (n+1)^3 \quad \text{because } n \geq 3$$

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1. Finish any lingering questions about last tutorial's exercises.

2. Prove by induction that, for any natural number n , the sum of the naturals from 0 to n (i.e. $0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + n$) is $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$.

Clearly and explicitly structure your inductive proof:

- Define a predicate P whose domain is the natural numbers such that you are proving P holds for every natural number. $\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$
- Label your base case or base cases. $n=0, 0 = \frac{0 \cdot 1}{2} \rightarrow P(0) \checkmark$
- Label your inductive hypothesis (IH) and every place where you use it.
- Label your inductive step.

IS: $P(n) \rightarrow P(n+1)$

$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i = \sum_{i=1}^n i + (n+1) = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + (n+1) = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2} \rightarrow P(n+1) \checkmark$

IH \checkmark

3. Quiz will be closely related to one of the tutorial exercises from last week or this week.