

CS230-HW7Sol

1. [6 Pts] Nathan

Basis Step: For $n = 1$ we see that $P(1) : f_1 = 1 = f_2$.

Inductive step: Assume $P(k) : f_1 + f_3 + \dots + f_{2k-1} = f_{2k}$, we prove $P(k+1) : f_1 + f_3 + \dots + f_{2k-1} + f_{2k+1} = f_{2k+2}$

$$\begin{aligned} P(k+1) &= f_1 + f_3 + \dots + f_{2k-1} + f_{2k+1} \\ &= (f_1 + f_3 + \dots + f_{2k-1}) + f_{2k+1} \\ &= f_{2k} + f_{2k+1} \text{ (by inductive hypothesis)} \\ &= f_{2k+2} \end{aligned}$$

2. [8 Pts] Nathan

Using the above statement, Let $P(n)$ be our induction hypothesis, where

$P(n)$: if we take n steps in the state machine we will end up in state 0 iff n is divisible by 4.

There are 2 cases to consider:

Case 1: $P(k)$ is true and we are in state 0 after k steps, so by the induction hypothesis, 4 divides k . We can deduce that after $k+1$ steps we will be in state 1 or 2, and 4 does not divide $k+1$, which implies $P(k+1)$ is true.

Case 2: $P(k)$ is true and we are not in state 0 after k steps, so by the induction hypothesis, 4 does not divide k . We get stuck here because we cannot deduce after $k+1$ steps which state we will be in.

We now strengthen the inductive hypothesis. Let $Q(n)$ be the stronger inductive hypothesis (SIH) where

$Q(n)$: if we take n steps in the state machine we will end up in

(1) state 0 if $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$, (2) state 1 or 2 if $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, (3) state 3 or 4 if $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, (4) state 5 if $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Clearly, $Q(n)$ implies $P(n)$. Now, we prove the stronger inductive hypothesis:

Base case: After 0 steps, the machine is in state 0, and 0 is a multiple of 4.

Inductive step: Assume that the SIH holds after k steps. There are 4 cases:

Case 1: After k steps, the machine is in state 0, so $k \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ by SIH. After one more step, the machine is in state 1 or 2, and $(k+1) \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Case 2: After k steps, the machine is in state 1 or 2, so $k \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ by SIH. After one more step, the machine is in state 3 or 4, and $(k+1) \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

Case 3: After k steps, the machine is in state 3 or 4, so $k \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ by SIH. After one more step, the machine is in state 5, and $(k+1) \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Case 4: After k steps, the machine is in state 5, so $k \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ by SIH. After one more step, the machine is in state 0, and $(k+1) \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.

3. [8 Pts] Jacob

$P(n)$: The total score obtained by dividing a stack of n bricks into n stacks of one brick each is $\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$.

Base case: $n(n-1)/2 = 0$, so $P(1)$ holds.

Inductive Step: Assume $P(1), \dots, P(k)$. We need to prove $P(k+1)$.

To prove $P(k+1)$, we have to prove that with $k+1$ bricks, the total score will be $\frac{(k+1)((k+1)-1)}{2}$ regardless of the order in which the bricks are split.

Suppose we have a stack with $k+1$ bricks. We split the stacks into two non-empty stacks of size a and b , where $1 \leq a, b \leq k$. By Induction hypothesis, $P(a)$ and $P(b)$ hold. Since $P(a)$ and $P(b)$ holds,

Total score = score for last split + score when we split a + score when we split b

$$\begin{aligned}
&= ab + \frac{a(a-1)}{2} + \frac{b(b-1)}{2} \\
&= \frac{(a+b)^2 - (a+b)}{2} \\
&= \frac{2ab + a^2 - a + b^2 - b}{2} \\
&= \frac{(a+b)^2 - (a+b)}{2} \\
&= \frac{(a+b)^2 - (a+b)}{2} \\
&= \frac{(a+b)((a+b)-1)}{2} \\
&= \frac{(k+1)((k+1)-1)}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

therefore $P(k+1)$ is true.

4. [10 Pts] **Haniyeh**

The state machine for the robot is an initial state of $(0, 0)$ and if in state (x, y) , then there are transitions to states $(x+1, y+3)$, $(x+1, y-1)$, $(x-4, y)$, and $(x, y+4)$.

The Preserved Invariant: when in state (x, y) , $x+y$ is divisible by 4.

Base case: $(0, 0)$, the initial state satisfies the invariant as $0+0=0=4*0$.

Inductive step: Assume when in state (x, y) the invariant holds: $x+y=4k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Prove that states $(x+1, y+3)$, $(x+1, y-1)$, $(x-4, y)$, and $(x, y+4)$ satisfy the invariant. We will prove this by cases depending on which transition is taken.

Case 1: Take transition $(x+1, y+3)$. Then $x+1+y+3 = x+y+4 \stackrel{IH}{=} 4k+4 = 4(k+1)$, a multiple of 4. Other cases are proven similarly. Thus the preserved invariant holds for all states the robot can reach and since $(1, 1)$ yields $1+1=2$, which is not a multiple of 4, $(1, 1)$ cannot be reached.

5. [8 Pts] **Haniyeh** Let $Q(n) : \bigwedge_{i=1}^n P(i) \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Basis: $n=1$

$$Q(1) \equiv P(1)$$

$P(1)$ is true, therefore $Q(1)$ is true.

Inductive Step: Assume $Q(k) : \bigwedge_{i=1}^k P(i)$ is true

Prove $Q(k+1)$:

$$\begin{aligned}
Q(k+1) &\equiv \left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^k P(i) \right) \wedge P(k+1) \\
Q(k+1) &\equiv Q(k) \wedge P(k+1)
\end{aligned}$$

Since we are assuming $Q(k)$ is true, therefore, $P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(k)$ is true. We only need to show $P(k+1)$ is true to prove $Q(k+1)$. Since we know that $P(n)$ can be proven by strong induction, in particular, the induction step can be proven. It follows that we can prove $P(k+1)$ given that $P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(k)$ is true. So, we have $Q(k) \wedge P(k+1)$, which is $Q(k+1)$.

Thus we have a strategy to reduce strong induction to weak induction by strengthening the induction hypothesis to the conjunction of all the previous terms.