

# Algorithms

## Chapter 1 Preliminaries

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# Outline

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- ▶ **Mathematical Notions and Terminology** 數學符號與術語
- ▶ Definitions, Theorems, and Proofs
- ▶ Types of Proof 建構法, 矛盾法, 歸納法

## Sets<sub>1/3</sub>

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- ▶ A **set** is a group of objects represented as a unit.  
將一群相同性質的事或物用一個群組表示，稱此群組為集合
- ▶ Sets may contain any type of object, including numbers, symbols, and even other sets. 集合中可以有集合
- ▶ The objects in a set are called its **elements** or **members**.
- ▶ One way to describe sets formally is by listing its elements inside braces. 用大括號將集合中的元素括起  
(表示集合的方式 ⇒ 列舉)
- ▶ Thus the set  $\{7, 21, 57\}$  contains the elements 7, 21, and 57.

## Sets<sub>2/3</sub>

屬於 不屬於

- ▶ The symbols  $\in$  and  $\notin$  denote set membership and non-membership, respectively.
- ▶ We write  $7 \in \{7, 21, 57\}$  and  $8 \notin \{7, 21, 57\}$ .
- ▶ For two sets  $A$  and  $B$ , we say that  $A$  is a **subset** of  $B$ , written  $A \subseteq B$ , if every member of  $A$  is also a member of  $B$ .  
A 是 B 的子集  $\Rightarrow$  每一個在 A 的 element 也一定在 B 裡 ( $A \subseteq B$ )
- ▶ We say that  $A$  is a **proper subset** of  $B$ , written  $A \subsetneq B$ , if  $A$  is a subset of  $B$  and not equal to  $B$ .  $\hookrightarrow$  真子集  
A 是 B 的子集, 但  $A \neq B$
- ▶ Let  $A = \{7, 21\}$  and  $B = \{7, 21, 57\}$ . Then, we can write  $A \subseteq B$  and  $A \subsetneq B$ .
- ▶ The set of **natural numbers**  $N$  is  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ . 自然數的集合

## Sets<sub>3/3</sub>

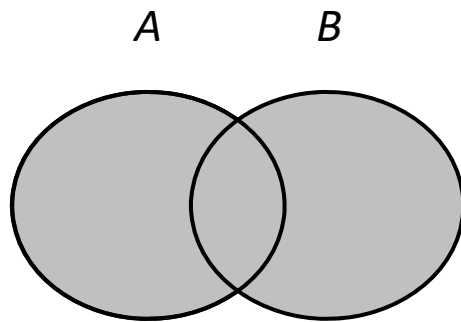
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- ▶ The set with 0 members is called the **empty set** and is written  $\emptyset$ .  
集合中沒有任何元素即為空集合 ( $\{\} = \emptyset$ ) 且空集合為任何集合的子集
  - ▶ A set containing elements according some rule is denoted by  $\{n \mid \text{rule about } n\}$ . (表示集合的方法 II)  $\{n \mid \text{關於 } n \text{ 的規則}\}$ 
    - ▶  $\{n \mid n = m^2 \text{ for some } m \in N\} \rightarrow$  the set of perfect squares. 完全平方數  
Ex:  $\{c \mid c \in N, 1 \leq c \leq 5\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$
  - ▶ The **union** of  $A$  and  $B$ , written  $A \cup B$ , is the set we get by combining all the elements in  $A$  and  $B$  into a single set.  
聯集: 將  $A$  和  $B$  合併形成一個新集合
  - ▶ The **intersection** of  $A$  and  $B$ , written  $A \cap B$ , is the set of elements that are in both  $A$  and  $B$ .  
交集: 取共同的元素
  - ▶ The **complement** of  $A$ , written  $\bar{A}$ , is the set of all elements under consideration that are **not** in  $A$ .  
補集: 所有不在  $A$  之中的元素所形成的集合
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# Venn diagram

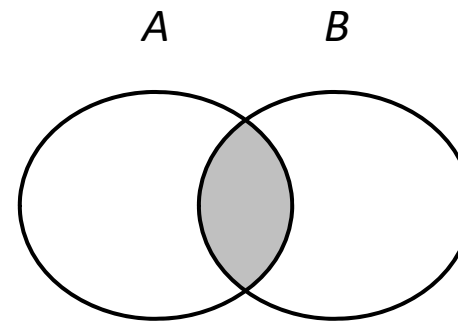
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- ▶ The next two **Venn diagrams** depict the union and intersection of sets  $A$  and  $B$ .



(a)  $A \cup B$

聯集



(b)  $A \cap B$

交集

# Sequences

序列：依某種順序將組成元素表列出來

- ▶ A **sequence** of objects is a list of these objects in some order.
  - ▶ We usually designate a sequence by writing the list within parentheses. 表列在小括號中
  - ▶ In a set the order doesn't matter, but in a sequence it does.  
集合中：順序不重要      序列：順序是最重要的
- ▶ For example:
  - ▶ The sequence 7, 21, 57 would be written (7, 21, 57).
  - ▶ Hence (7,21,57) is not the same as (57, 7, 21).  
(7, 21, 57) 與 (57, 7, 21) 不相等
- ▶ Repetition does matter in a sequence, but it doesn't matter in a set. 重覆在序列中是有意義的，但在集合中無意義
  - ▶ Thus (7,7,21,57) is different from (7,21,57) and (57, 7, 21).  
不相同
  - ▶ The set {7, 21, 57} is identical to the set {7, 7, 21, 57}.  
相同

# Tuples and power sets

元組：有限長度的序列通常稱為“元組”

- ▶ Finite sequences often are called **tuples**.
  - ▶ A sequence with  $k$  elements is a  $k$ -tuple.  $k$  - “元組”
  - ▶ Thus  $(7, 21, 57)$  is a 3-tuple.
  - ▶ A 2-tuple is also called a **pair**. 2-“元組”又稱為“對”
- ▶ The **power set** of  $A$  is the set of all subsets of  $A$ .
- ▶ For example: 冪集合:  $A$  的子集所形成的集合
  - ▶ If  $A$  is the set  $\{0, 1\}$ , the power set of  $A$  is the set  $\{\underbrace{\emptyset}_{0\text{個元素}}, \underbrace{\{0\}}_{1\text{個元素}}, \underbrace{\{1\}}_{1\text{個元素}}, \underbrace{\{0, 1\}}_{2\text{個元素}}\}$ .
  - ▶ The set of all pairs whose elements are 0s and 1s is  $\{(0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 0), (1, 1)\}$ .  
0 和 1 所形成的 pair ( , )  
↑ ↑  
可放 0 或 1



# Cartesian product

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- ▶ The **Cartesian product** of  $A$  and  $B$ , written  $A \times B$ , is the set of all pairs wherein the first element is a member of  $A$  and the second element is a member of  $B$ .

pair 所形成的集合 (放  $A$  的元素, 放  $B$  的元素) – 一般指  $A \times B$

- ▶ For example:

- ▶ If  $A = \{1, 2\}$  and  $B = \{x, y, z\}$ , then

$$A \times B = \{(1, x), (1, y), (1, z), (2, x), (2, y), (2, z)\}.$$

- ▶ We can also take the Cartesian product of  $k$  sets,  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$ , written  $A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_k$ . 2 個以上為特殊情形

- ▶ For example:

- ▶ If  $A = \{1, 2\}$  and  $B = \{x, y, z\}$ , then

$$A \times B \times A = \{(1, x, 1), (1, x, 2), (1, y, 1), (1, y, 2), (1, z, 1), (1, z, 2), \\ (2, x, 1), (2, x, 2), (2, y, 1), (2, y, 2), (2, z, 1), (2, z, 2)\}.$$

# Outline

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- ▶ Mathematical Notions and Terminology
- ▶ **Definitions, Theorems, and Proofs**
- ▶ Types of Proof

# Definitions, theorems, and proofs

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- ▶ Theorems and proofs are the heart and soul of mathematics, and definitions are its spirits.  
定理和證明是數學的靈魂, 定義是數學的精神
- ▶ These three entities are central to every mathematical subjects, including algorithms.  
對於任何數學科目都很重要, 包括演算法
- ▶ In this class, you are expected to pick up the ability of reading and writing a concrete proof.  
目標: (1) 讀證明  
(2) 寫證明

# Definitions 定義是用來描述事或物, 以及要使用的符號

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- ▶ **Definitions** describe the objects and notions that we use.
  - ▶ Precision is essential to any mathematical definition. 精確是最重要的
  - ▶ When defining some object we must make clear what constitutes that object and what does not.  
描述事或物時, 要清楚說明包含與不包含的東西
- ▶ For example:
  - ▶ A **set** is a group of objects represented as a unit.
  - ▶ The objects in a set are called its **elements** or **members**.
  - ▶ A **tree** graph is a connected graph without cycles.

# Proofs 在定義事或物以及符號後, 我們會以“數學敘述”來描述一些性質

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- ▶ After we have defined various objects and notions, we usually make **mathematical statements** about them.
  - ▶ A statement expresses that some object has a certain property.
  - ▶ The statement may or may not be true. 可能錯也可能正確
  - ▶ The statements must be precise without any ambiguity.  
一定要精確, 不可模稜兩可
- ▶ A **proof** is a convincing logical argument that a statement is true. 有說服力的邏輯論證, 來說明 statement 是對的
  - ▶ In mathematics an argument must be airtight, that is, convincing in an absolute sense. 論證是無懈可擊的
  - ▶ A mathematician demands proof beyond any doubt.  
禁得起任何質疑

# Theorems, lemmas, and corollaries

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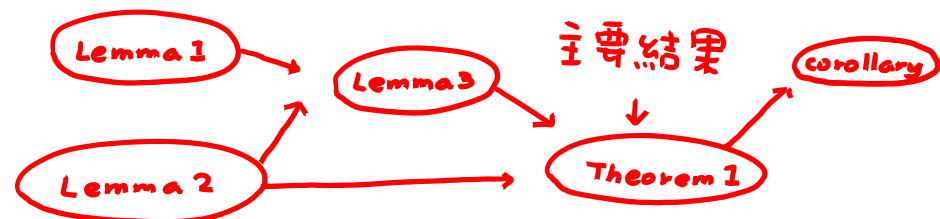
- ▶ A **theorem** is a mathematical statement proved true. Generally we reserve the word for statements of special interest. 定理：是證明真實的一個數學敘述

- ▶ **Lemmas** are the proved statements that are interesting only for their assistance in the proof of another statement.

引理：用來輔助定理

- ▶ Occasionally a theorem or its proof may allow us to conclude easily that other, related statements are true. These statements are called **corollaries** of the theorem.

corollary 推論：由主要性質容易推導的性質  
(結果)



## Finding Proofs 證明是唯一 - 可以決定 statement 是否正確的方法

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- ▶ The only way to determine the truth or falsity of a mathematical statement is with a mathematical proof.
- ▶ Unfortunately, finding proofs isn't always easy.
  - ▶ It can't be reduced to a simple set of rules or processes.
- ▶ However, some helpful general strategies are available.
  - ▶ Carefully read the statement you want to prove. 敘述要了解
  - ▶ Make sure you understand all the notation. 符號要懂得
  - ▶ Rewrite the statement in your own words. 以自己的話重寫敘述
  - ▶ Break it down and consider each part separately. 將步驟分步去思考
  - ▶ Experimenting with examples. 舉出例子
  - ▶ Try to find an object that fails to have the property, called a **counterexample**. 去尋找反例, 若無反例則可確定為是

## Multipart statements<sub>1/2</sub>

多方敘述 Ex:  $A \Leftrightarrow B$

- ▶ One frequently occurring type of **multipart statement** has the form " $P$  if and only if  $Q$ ", often written " $P$  iff  $Q$ ".
  - ▶ Both  $P$  and  $Q$  are mathematical statements.
  - ▶ The first part is " $P$  only if  $Q$ ," which means: If  $P$  is true, then  $Q$  is true, written  $P \Rightarrow Q$ . 若  $P$  則  $Q$ , 若  $P$  為真則  $Q$  成立
  - ▶ The second is " $P$  if  $Q$ ," which means: If  $Q$  is true, then  $P$  is true, written  $P \Leftarrow Q$ . 若  $Q$  則  $P$ , 若  $Q$  為真則  $P$  成立
  - ▶ We write " $P$  if and only if  $Q$ " as  $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ .  
若且唯若
  - ▶ To prove a statement of this form you must prove each of the two directions.



## Multipart statements<sub>2/2</sub>

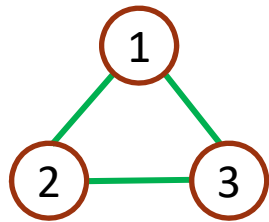
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- ▶ Another type of multipart statement states that two sets  $A$  and  $B$  are equal. 若  $A, B$  集合相等
  - ▶ The first part states that  $A$  is a subset of  $B$ . 先證  $A$  為  $B$  的子集 ( $A \subseteq B$ )
  - ▶ The second part states that  $B$  is a subset of  $A$ . 再證  $B$  為  $A$  的子集 ( $B \subseteq A$ )
- ▶ To show that  $A = B$ , we must prove the following two statements.
  - ▶ Every member of  $A$  also is a member of  $B$ .
  - ▶ Every member of  $B$  also is a member of  $A$ .  
每一個在  $A$  的 element 也一定在  $B$  裡 ( $A \subseteq B$ )  
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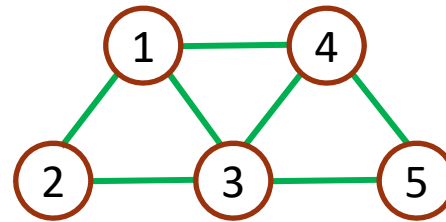
## An example for finding Proofs<sub>1/2</sub>

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- ▶ Suppose that you want to prove the statement  
“For every graph  $G$ , the sum of the degrees of all the nodes in  $G$  is an even number”.  
證明 degree 和為偶數 (degree 為與此點相鄰的點個數)
- ▶ **First**, pick a few graphs and observe this statement.



$$\begin{aligned}\text{sum} &= 2 + 2 + 2 \\ &= 6\end{aligned}$$

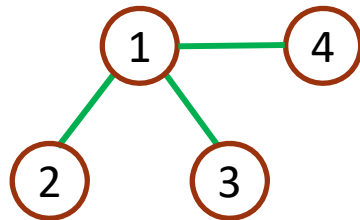


$$\begin{aligned}\text{sum} &= 3 + 2 + 4 + 3 + 2 \\ &= 14\end{aligned}$$

## An example for finding Proofs<sub>2/2</sub>

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- ▶ **Next**, try to find a counterexample, that is, a graph in which the sum is an odd number. 尋找反例



Every time an edge is added,  
the sum increases by 2.

每增加一條邊，degree總和多2

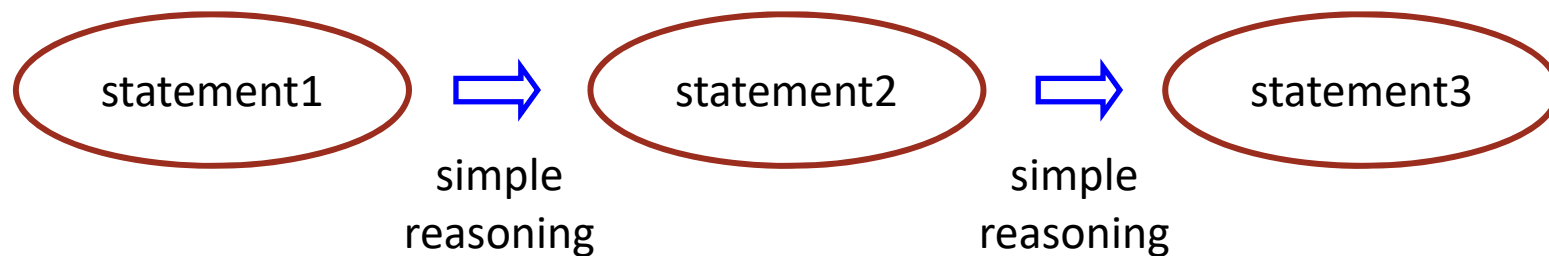
- ▶ Can you now begin to see why the statement is true and how to prove it?
- ▶ If you are still stuck trying to prove the statement, try to prove a **special case** of the statement. 若仍無法證明，則找尋特例
- ▶ First try for  $k = 1$ , as well as  $k = 2$ ,  $k = 3$ ,  $k = 4$  and so on.

# Writing proofs

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- ▶ A well-written proof is a sequence of statements, wherein each one follows by simple reasoning from previous statements in the sequence.

一個好的證明：為一連串的敘述，且下一個敘述可由上一個敘述簡單接得



- ▶ Carefully writing a proof is important. 寫出證明的好處
  - ▶ Enable a reader to understand it. 使讀者易於理解
  - ▶ Make sure that it is free from errors. 避免出錯

# Tips for producing a proof

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- ▶ Be patient. 有耐心
  - ▶ Researchers sometimes work for weeks or even years to find a single proof.
- ▶ Come back to it.
  - ▶ Look over the statement you want to prove, think about it a bit, leave it, and then return a few minutes or hours later.
- ▶ Be concise. 小心且精確, 清楚簡要的表達出來
  - ▶ Good mathematical notation is useful for expressing ideas concisely.
  - ▶ But be sure to include enough of your reasoning when writing up a proof so that the reader can easily understand what you are trying to say.

證明 degree 和為偶數 (degree 為與此點相鄰的點個數)

## An example for producing a proof

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► Theorem : **For every graph  $G$ , the sum of the degrees of all the nodes in  $G$  is an even number.**

► Proof.

- (I) ► Every edge in  $G$  is connected to two nodes. 每個 edge 需連接 2 個點
- (II) ► Each edge contributes 1 to the degree of each node to which it is connected. 連接到這條邊的點, degree 增加 1
- (III) ► Therefore each edge contributes 2 to the sum of the degrees of all the nodes. 一個 edge 會使 degree 增加 2 (由 I. II 得知)
- (IV) ► Hence, if  $G$  contains  $e$  edges, then the sum of the degrees of all the nodes of  $G$  is  $2e$ , which is an even number. 若有  $e$  條 edge  
⇒ degree 和為  $2e$

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# Types of proof

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- ▶ Several types of arguments arise frequently in mathematical proofs.
  - ▶ Proof by construction. 建構法
  - ▶ Proof by contradiction. 反證法
  - ▶ Proof by induction. 歸納法
- ▶ Note that a proof may contain more than one type of argument. 證明中可能會有好幾種方法,因為會包含許多子證明
  - ▶ Because the proof may contain within it several different subproofs.



## Proof by construction<sub>1/2</sub>

- ▶ A graph is said to be  **$k$ -regular** if every node in the graph has degree  $k$ . 每個 node 的 degree 都是  $k$

- ▶ Theorem : For each even number  $n$  greater than 2, there exists a 3-regular graph  $G(V, E)$  with  $n$  nodes.

- ▶ 大於 2 個 node 的所有偶數個 node, 必有一種畫法使得每個的 degree 為 3
- ▶ Proof.

- ▶ Let  $n$  be an even number greater than 2.

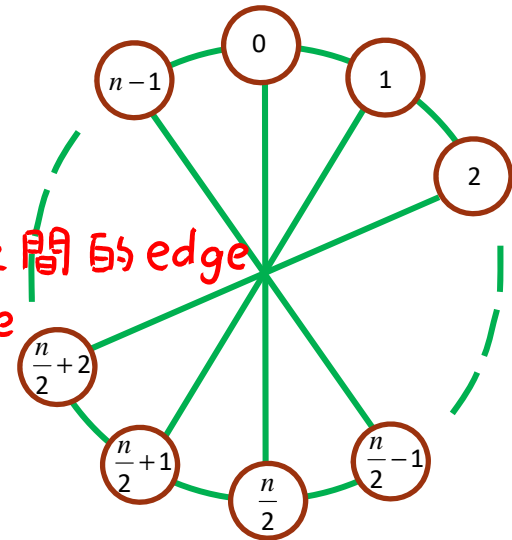
- ▶ The set  $V = \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ .  $0 \sim (n-1)$  個點

- ▶ The set  $E = \{(i, i+1) \mid \text{for } 0 \leq i \leq n-2\}$   $0 \sim (n-1)$  之間的 edge

$$\cup \{(n-1, 0)\} \quad (n-1) \sim 0 \text{ 之間的 edge}$$

$$\cup \{(i, i+n/2) \mid \text{for } 0 \leq i \leq n/2-1\}.$$

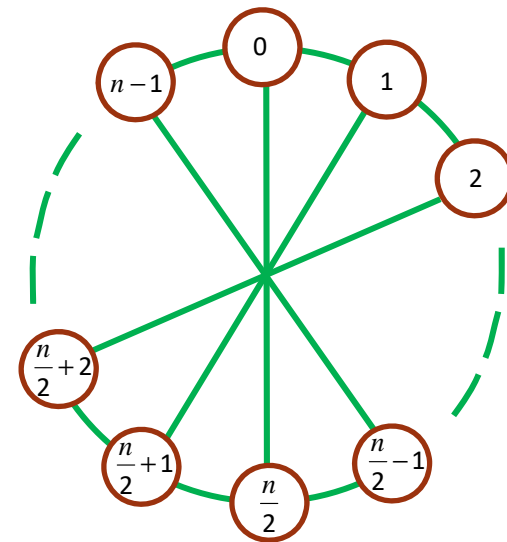
$i$  與  $(i+n/2)$  之間的 edge



## Proof by construction<sub>2/2</sub>

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- ▶ The set  $E = \{(i, i+1) \mid \text{for } 0 \leq i \leq n-2\}$   
 $\cup \{(n-1, 0)\}$   
 $\cup \{(i, i+n/2) \mid \text{for } 0 \leq i \leq n/2-1\}$ .
- ▶ The edges described in the top and middle lines of  $E$  go between adjacent pairs around the circle.
- ▶ The edges described in the bottom line of  $E$  go between nodes on opposite sides of the circle.
- ▶ This mental picture clearly shows that every node in  $G$  has degree 3.



## Proof by contradiction 反證法

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- (I) ▶ In this kind of arguments, we first **assume** that the theorem to prove is **false**. 首先假設是錯的
- (II) ▶ Then we show that this assumption leads to an obviously false consequence, called a **contradiction**. 最後發現一個矛盾的結果 (與事實相反)
  - ▶ We use this type of reasoning frequently in everyday life.
    - ▶ Jack just came in from outdoors and he is completely dry.
    - ▶ We want to prove that It's not raining.
    - ▶ If it were raining, Jack would be wet.

(assume false)(contradiction)
  - ▶ Therefore, it must not be raining.

# An example for proof by contradiction

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- ▶ A number is **rational** if it is a fraction  $m/n$  where  $m$  and  $n$  are integers. 有理數可表示成  $\frac{m}{n}$
- ▶ Theorem:  $\sqrt{2}$  is **irrational**. 證明 $\sqrt{2}$ 為無理數
- ▶ Proof.
  - ▶ Assume for a contradiction that  $\sqrt{2} = \frac{m}{n}$  is rational, where  $m$  and  $n$  are relatively prime integers.
  - ▶  $\sqrt{2} = \frac{m}{n} \Rightarrow n\sqrt{2} = m \Rightarrow 2n^2 = m^2$ .  
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  - ▶ Since  $m^2$  is even,  $m$  must be even as well.  $m^2$  為偶數  $\Rightarrow m$  必為偶數
  - ▶ Let  $m = 2k$ . Then we have  $2n^2 = (2k)^2 = 4k^2$ , which implies  $n^2 = 2k^2$ .
  - ▶ Since  $n^2$  is even,  $n$  is even.
  - ▶ Both  $m$  and  $n$  are even, a **contradiction** to our assumption.

與假設矛盾

# Proof by induction 歸納法

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- ▶ An advanced method to show that **all elements of an infinite set** have a specified property.  
證明無限集中的元素都有某種特殊性質的方法
  - ▶ Suppose that our goal is to prove that  $P(k)$  is true for each natural number  $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ .
  - ▶ The format for writing down a proof by induction is as follows.
    - ▶ **Basis:** Prove that  $P(1)$  is true.
    - ▶ **Induction step:** For each  $i \geq 1$ , assume that  $P(i)$  is true and use this assumption to show that  $P(i+1)$  is true. 假設  $P(i)$  為是  $\Rightarrow P(i+1)$  也為是 ( $i \geq 1$ )
  - ▶  $P(1)$  is true: basis.
  - ▶  $P(2)$  is true:  $P(1)$  is true + induction step.
  - ▶  $P(3)$  is true:  $P(2)$  is true + induction step.
  - ...  $P(k)$  is true
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# An example for proof by induction

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- ▶ For each  $n \geq 1$ , we have

$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}.$$

- ▶ Proof.

- ▶ **The basis:** For  $n = 1$ ,  $1^2 = 1 = \frac{1(1+1)(2 \times 1 + 1)}{6}$ .

- ▶ **Induction step:** For each  $k \geq 1$ , assume that the formula is true for  $n = k$  and show that it is true for  $n = k + 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} i^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^k i^2 + (k+1)^2 = \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1)}{6} + (k+1)^2 = \frac{k(k+1)(2k+1) + 6(k+1)^2}{6} \\ &= \frac{(k+1)(2k^2 + 7k + 6)}{6} = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(2(k+1)+1)}{6} \end{aligned}$$