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induction axiom

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An induction axiom specifies that a theory includes induction, possibly restricted to specific formulas. IND is the general axiom of induction:

$$\phi(0) \wedge \forall x (\phi(x) \to \phi(x+1)) \to \forall x \phi(x)$$
 for any formula ϕ

If ϕ is restricted to some family of formulas F then the axiom is called F-IND, or F induction. For example the axiom Σ^0_1 -IND is:

$$\phi(0) \wedge \forall x (\phi(x) \to \phi(x+1)) \to \forall x \phi(x)$$
 where ϕ is Σ^0_1