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Foundations of Computing

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Lecture 11 – part 1

Lab 6

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Lecture 11 – part 2

Review

Review

- Logic review
- Logic exercises
- Quantified statements
- Arguments and fallacies with quantifiers

Lecture 11 – part 3

Bash/Terminal (Lab 6)

Bash/Terminal

- **Terminal:** An interface to interact with the computer system. Allows direct input and output from/to the user.
- **CLI (Command Line Interface).** Interface where users type commands to operate the computer.
 - Faster operations once commands are known.
 - Offers more powerful functionalities.
 - Challenge: Requires learning and memorizing commands.
- **Shell**
 - Software that interprets and executes CLI commands.
 - Acts as an interface between user and the operating system's kernel.
- **Bash**
 - A popular Unix shell. Known for scripting capabilities and user-friendliness.



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Computer_terminal

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root@localhost:~# ping -b 64 -c 10 fa.wikipedia.org
PING test.pmpa.wikipedia.org (209.80.152.2) 56(84) bytes of data:
64
--- test.pmpa.wikipedia.org ping statistics ---
10 packets transmitted, 1 received, 9% packet loss, time 0ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 540.528/540.528/540.528/0.000 ms
root@localhost:~# pwd
/root
root@localhost:~# cd /var
root@localhost:var# ls -la
total 72
drwxr-xr-x. 16 root root 4096 Jul 30 22:43 .
drwxr-xr-x. 23 root root 4096 Sep 14 20:42 ..
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 4096 May 14 00:15 account
drwxr-xr-x. 11 root root 4096 Jul 31 22:26 cache
drwxr-xr-x. 3 root root 4096 May 18 16:03 db
drwxr-xr-x. 3 root root 4096 May 18 16:03 empty
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 4096 May 18 16:03 games
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root gdm 4096 Jun 2 18:39 gdm
drwxr-xr-x. 38 root root 4096 May 18 16:03 lib
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 4096 May 18 16:03 local
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 11 May 14 00:12 lock -> ../run/lock
drwxr-xr-x. 14 root root 4096 Sep 14 20:42 log
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 10 Jul 30 22:43 mail -> spool/mail
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 4096 May 18 16:03 nis
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 4096 May 18 16:03 opt
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 4096 May 18 16:03 preserve
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 4096 Jul 1 22:11 report
lrwxrwxrwx. 1 root root 6 May 14 00:12 run -> ../run
drwxr-xr-x. 14 root root 4096 May 18 16:03 spool
drwxr-xr-x. 4 root root 4096 Sep 12 21:50 tmp
drwxr-xr-x. 2 root root 4096 May 18 16:03 yp
root@localhost:var# yum search wiki
Loaded plugins: langpacks, presto, refresh-packagekit, remove-with-leaves
reftusion-free-updates                               | 2.7 kB | 00:00
reftusion-free-updates/primary_db                     | 286 kB | 00:00
reftusion-nonfree-updates                             | 2.7 kB | 00:00
updates/metalink                                      | 5.9 kB | 00:00
updates                                                | 4.7 kB | 00:00
updates/primary_db                                    73% [#####] | 62 kB/s | 2.6 MB | 00:15 ETA
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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Command-line_interface#Command-line_interpreter

Why is Bash Important for Computer Science?

- **Linux Everywhere:**
 - Powers cloud servers, serverless infrastructures, and VMs.
 - Runs on edge devices, IoT gadgets, and more.
 - Dominates modern tech landscape: understanding Linux = indispensable skill.
- **Ubiquity in Cloud:**
 - Default shell in major cloud ecosystems.
 - Automates cloud tasks, making deployments and configurations efficient.
- **CLI vs. GUI:**
 - CLI (like Bash) offers precision, speed, and scriptability.
 - Essential for many backend, cloud, and infrastructure tasks.
 - GUIs are limited, but CLIs empower deeper system interactions.
- **Future-Proofing Careers:**
 - As technology leans more towards automation and cloud, Bash proficiency becomes a valuable asset.
 - Opens doors to roles in DevOps, Cloud Engineering, IoT development, and more

SOME COMMANDS

ls - List files/directories.

Example: ls -l (Lists files in detailed view)

cd <directory> - Change to <directory>.

Example: cd Documents/ (Changes the directory to 'Documents')

pwd - Show current directory.

Example: pwd (Displays the path of the current directory)

touch <filename> - Create an empty file.

Example: touch newfile.txt (Creates a new file named newfile.txt)

cat <filename> - Display file content.

Example: cat myfile.txt (Displays the content of myfile.txt)

cp <source> <destination> - Copy file.

Example: cp file1.txt file2.txt (Copies file1.txt to file2.txt)

mv <source> <destination> - Move/rename file.

Example: mv oldname.txt newname.txt (Renames oldname.txt to newname.txt)

rm <filename> - Delete file.

Example: rm unwantedfile.txt (Deletes the file named unwantedfile.txt)

grep "pattern" <filename> - Search for a pattern in a file.

Example: grep "hello" myfile.txt (Searches for the word "hello" in myfile.txt)

find . -name "filename" - Search for a file in current and sub-directories.

Example: find . -name "notes.txt" (Searches for notes.txt in the current directory and all sub-directories)

man <command> - Display the manual for a command.

Example: man ls (Displays the manual for the 'ls' command)

<command> --help - Get a quick help for a command.

Example: ls --help (Provides a brief help documentation for the 'ls' command)

Lecture 11 – part 4

Sequences

Introduction to Sequences

An ordered list of numbers (or elements).

Example: Imagine that a person decides to count his ancestors.

2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, ...

$$n = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

Position in the row	1	2	3	4	5	6	7...
Number of ancestors	2	4	8	16	32	64	128...

$$2^n = 2, 4, 8, 16, \dots$$

$$A_k = 2^k$$

- **Definition**

A **sequence** is a function whose domain is either all the integers between two given integers or all the integers greater than or equal to a given integer.

$$a_m, a_{m+1}, \dots, a_n$$

Finite Sequence

$$a_m, a_{m+1}, a_{m+2}, \dots$$

Infinite Sequence

a_k is called a term.

k is the subscript or index.

Example:

Define sequences a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots and b_2, b_3, b_4, \dots by the following explicit formulas:

$$a_k = \frac{k}{k+1} \quad \text{for all integers } k \geq 1,$$

$$b_i = \frac{i-1}{i} \quad \text{for all integers } i \geq 2.$$

Compute the first five terms of both sequences.

Solution:

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{1+1} = \frac{1}{2} \qquad b_2 = \frac{2-1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{2}{2+1} = \frac{2}{3} \qquad b_3 = \frac{3-1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{3}{3+1} = \frac{3}{4} \qquad b_4 = \frac{4-1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$a_4 = \frac{4}{4+1} = \frac{4}{5} \qquad b_5 = \frac{5-1}{5} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$a_5 = \frac{5}{5+1} = \frac{5}{6} \qquad b_6 = \frac{6-1}{6} = \frac{5}{6}$$

Example:

Compute the first six terms of the sequence c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots defined as follows:

$$c_j = (-1)^j \quad \text{for all integers } j \geq 0.$$

Solution:

$$c_0 = (-1)^0 = 1$$

$$c_1 = (-1)^1 = -1$$

$$c_2 = (-1)^2 = 1$$

$$c_3 = (-1)^3 = -1$$

$$c_4 = (-1)^4 = 1$$

$$c_5 = (-1)^5 = -1$$

Example:

Find an explicit formula for a sequence that has the following initial terms:

$$1, \quad -\frac{1}{4}, \quad \frac{1}{9}, \quad -\frac{1}{16}, \quad \frac{1}{25}, \quad -\frac{1}{36}, \dots$$

Solution:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} \frac{1}{1^2}, & \frac{(-1)}{2^2}, & \frac{1}{3^2}, & \frac{(-1)}{4^2}, & \frac{1}{5^2}, & \frac{(-1)}{6^2} \\ \updownarrow & \updownarrow & \updownarrow & \updownarrow & \updownarrow & \updownarrow \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & a_4 & a_5 & a_6 \end{array}$$

$$a_k = \frac{\pm 1}{k^2}.$$

When k is odd, $k + 1$ is even: $(-1)^{k+1} = +1$
and when k is even, $k + 1$ is odd: $(-1)^{k+1} = -1$.

$$a_k = \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k^2} \quad \text{for all integers } k \geq 1.$$

Note that making the first term a_0 would have led to the alternative formula

$$a_k = \frac{(-1)^k}{(k+1)^2} \quad \text{for all integers } k \geq 0.$$

Summation Notation

$$A_1 + A_2 + A_3 + A_4 + A_5 + A_6 = 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3 + 2^4 + 2^5 + 2^6 = 126.$$

• Definition

If m and n are integers and $m \leq n$, the symbol $\sum_{k=m}^n a_k$, read the **summation from k equals m to n of a -sub- k** , is the sum of all the terms $a_m, a_{m+1}, a_{m+2}, \dots, a_n$. We say that $a_m + a_{m+1} + a_{m+2} + \dots + a_n$ is the **expanded form** of the sum, and we write

$$\sum_{k=m}^n a_k = a_m + a_{m+1} + a_{m+2} + \dots + a_n.$$

We call k the **index** of the summation, m the **lower limit** of the summation, and n the **upper limit** of the summation.

Example:

Let $a_1 = -2$, $a_2 = -1$, $a_3 = 0$, $a_4 = 1$, and $a_5 = 2$. Compute the following:

a. $\sum_{k=1}^5 a_k$ b. $\sum_{k=2}^2 a_k$ c. $\sum_{k=1}^2 a_{2k}$

Solution:

a. $\sum_{k=1}^5 a_k = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5 = (-2) + (-1) + 0 + 1 + 2 = 0$

b. $\sum_{k=2}^2 a_k = a_2 = -1$

c. $\sum_{k=1}^2 a_{2k} = a_{2 \cdot 1} + a_{2 \cdot 2} = a_2 + a_4 = -1 + 1 = 0$

Example:

Write the following summation in expanded form:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^i}{i+1}.$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=0}^n \frac{(-1)^i}{i+1} &= \frac{(-1)^0}{0+1} + \frac{(-1)^1}{1+1} + \frac{(-1)^2}{2+1} + \frac{(-1)^3}{3+1} + \cdots + \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} \\ &= \frac{1}{1} + \frac{(-1)}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{(-1)}{4} + \cdots + \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1} \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \cdots + \frac{(-1)^n}{n+1}\end{aligned}$$

Example:

Express the following using summation notation:

$$\frac{1}{n} + \frac{2}{n+1} + \frac{3}{n+2} + \cdots + \frac{n+1}{2n}.$$

Solution:

$$\frac{1}{n} + \frac{2}{n+1} + \frac{3}{n+2} + \cdots + \frac{n+1}{2n} = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{k+1}{n+k}.$$

Product Notation

$$\prod_{k=1}^5 a_k = a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 a_5.$$

• Definition

If m and n are integers and $m \leq n$, the symbol $\prod_{k=m}^n a_k$, read the **product from k equals m to n of a -sub- k** , is the product of all the terms $a_m, a_{m+1}, a_{m+2}, \dots, a_n$.

We write

$$\prod_{k=m}^n a_k = a_m \cdot a_{m+1} \cdot a_{m+2} \cdots a_n.$$

Example:

Compute the following products:

a. $\prod_{k=1}^5 k$

b. $\prod_{k=1}^1 \frac{k}{k+1}$

Solution:

a. $\prod_{k=1}^5 k = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 = 120$

b. $\prod_{k=1}^1 \frac{k}{k+1} = \frac{1}{1+1} = \frac{1}{2}$

Properties

If $a_m, a_{m+1}, a_{m+2}, \dots$ and $b_m, b_{m+1}, b_{m+2}, \dots$ are sequences of real numbers and c is any real number, then the following equations hold for any integer $n \geq m$:

$$1. \sum_{k=m}^n a_k + \sum_{k=m}^n b_k = \sum_{k=m}^n (a_k + b_k)$$

$$2. c \cdot \sum_{k=m}^n a_k = \sum_{k=m}^n c \cdot a_k \quad \text{generalized distributive law}$$

$$3. \left(\prod_{k=m}^n a_k \right) \cdot \left(\prod_{k=m}^n b_k \right) = \prod_{k=m}^n (a_k \cdot b_k).$$

Example:

Let $a_k = k + 1$ and $b_k = k - 1$ for all integers k . Write each of the following expressions as a single summation or product:

a. $\sum_{k=m}^n a_k + 2 \cdot \sum_{k=m}^n b_k$ b. $\left(\prod_{k=m}^n a_k \right) \cdot \left(\prod_{k=m}^n b_k \right)$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a. } \sum_{k=m}^n a_k + 2 \cdot \sum_{k=m}^n b_k &= \sum_{k=m}^n (k + 1) + 2 \cdot \sum_{k=m}^n (k - 1) && \text{by substitution} \\ &= \sum_{k=m}^n (k + 1) + \sum_{k=m}^n 2 \cdot (k - 1) && \text{by Theorem 5.1.1 (2)} \\ &= \sum_{k=m}^n ((k + 1) + 2 \cdot (k - 1)) && \text{by Theorem 5.1.1 (1)} \\ &= \sum_{k=m}^n (3k - 1) && \text{by algebraic simplification} \end{aligned}$$

b.

$$\left(\prod_{k=m}^n a_k \right) \cdot \left(\prod_{k=m}^n b_k \right) = \left(\prod_{k=m}^n (k+1) \right) \cdot \left(\prod_{k=m}^n (k-1) \right) \quad \text{by substitution}$$

$$= \prod_{k=m}^n (k+1) \cdot (k-1) \quad \text{by Theorem 5.1.1 (3)}$$

$$= \prod_{k=m}^n (k^2 - 1) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{by algebraic} \\ \text{simplification} \end{array}$$

Transforming a Sum by a Change of Variable

Example: Transform the following summation by making the specified change of variable

$$\text{summation: } \sum_{k=0}^6 \frac{1}{k+1} \quad \text{change of variable: } j = k + 1$$

Solution: First calculate the lower and upper limits of the new summation:

$$\text{When } k = 0, \quad j = k + 1 = 0 + 1 = 1.$$

$$\text{When } k = 6, \quad j = k + 1 = 6 + 1 = 7.$$

Since $j = k + 1$, then $k = j - 1$.

$$\text{Hence } \frac{1}{k+1} = \frac{1}{(j-1)+1} = \frac{1}{j}.$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^6 \frac{1}{k+1} = \sum_{j=1}^7 \frac{1}{j}.$$

Upper Limit change

Example: a. Transform the following summation by making the specified change of variable.

$$\text{summation: } \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \left(\frac{k}{n+k} \right) \quad \text{change of variable: } j = k - 1$$

b. Transform the summation obtained in part (a) by changing all j 's to k 's.

Solution:

$$\text{a) } \frac{k}{n+k} = \frac{j+1}{n+(j+1)} \qquad \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \frac{k}{n+k} = \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{j+1}{n+(j+1)}.$$

$$\text{b) } \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{j+1}{n+(j+1)} = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{k+1}{n+(k+1)}$$

Factorial Notation

- **Definition**

For each positive integer n , the quantity **n factorial** denoted $n!$, is defined to be the product of all the integers from 1 to n :

$$n! = n \cdot (n - 1) \cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1.$$

Zero factorial, denoted $0!$, is defined to be 1:

$$0! = 1.$$

Recursive definition

$$n! = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ n \cdot (n - 1)! & \text{if } n \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Example: First 10 factorials

$$0! = 1$$

$$2! = 2 \cdot 1 = 2$$

$$4! = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 24$$

$$6! = 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 720$$

$$\begin{aligned} 8! &= 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \\ &= 40,320 \end{aligned}$$

$$1! = 1$$

$$3! = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 6$$

$$5! = 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 120$$

$$7! = 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 5,040$$

$$\begin{aligned} 9! &= 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \\ &= 362,880 \end{aligned}$$

Example:

Simplify the following expressions:

a. $\frac{8!}{7!}$ b. $\frac{5!}{2! \cdot 3!}$ c. $\frac{1}{2! \cdot 4!} + \frac{1}{3! \cdot 3!}$ d. $\frac{(n+1)!}{n!}$ e. $\frac{n!}{(n-3)!}$

Solution:

a. $\frac{8!}{7!} = \frac{8 \cdot \cancel{7!}}{\cancel{7!}} = 8$

b. $\frac{5!}{2! \cdot 3!} = \frac{5 \cdot 4 \cdot \cancel{3!}}{2! \cdot \cancel{3!}} = \frac{5 \cdot 4}{2 \cdot 1} = 10$

c. $\frac{1}{2! \cdot 4!} + \frac{1}{3! \cdot 3!} = \frac{1}{2! \cdot 4!} \cdot \frac{3}{3} + \frac{1}{3! \cdot 3!} \cdot \frac{4}{4}$
 $= \frac{3}{3 \cdot 2! \cdot 4!} + \frac{4}{3! \cdot 4 \cdot 3!}$
 $= \frac{3}{3! \cdot 4!} + \frac{4}{3! \cdot 4!}$
 $= \frac{7}{3! \cdot 4!}$
 $= \frac{7}{144}$

by multiplying each numerator and denominator by just what is necessary to obtain a common denominator

by rearranging factors

because $3 \cdot 2! = 3!$ and $4 \cdot 3! = 4!$

by the rule for adding fractions with a common denominator

d. $\frac{(n+1)!}{n!} = \frac{(n+1) \cdot \cancel{n!}}{\cancel{n!}} = n+1$

e. $\frac{n!}{(n-3)!} = \frac{n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdot \cancel{(n-3)!}}{\cancel{(n-3)!}}$
 $= n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2)$
 $= n^3 - 3n^2 + 2n$

(n choose r) Notation

- Binomial coefficient $\binom{n}{r}$

• Definition

Let n and r be integers with $0 \leq r \leq n$. The symbol

$$\binom{n}{r}$$

is read “ **n choose r** ” and represents the number of subsets of size r that can be chosen from a set with n elements.

• Formula for Computing $\binom{n}{r}$

For all integers n and r with $0 \leq r \leq n$,

$$\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}.$$

also called *combinations*

$$\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}.$$

Example: Use the formula for computing $\binom{n}{r}$ to evaluate the following expressions:

a. $\binom{8}{5}$

b. $\binom{4}{0}$

c. $\binom{n+1}{n}$

Solution:

a. $\binom{8}{5} = \frac{8!}{5!(8-5)!}$

$$= \frac{8 \cdot 7 \cdot \cancel{6} \cdot \cancel{5} \cdot \cancel{4} \cdot \cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot 1}{(\cancel{5} \cdot \cancel{4} \cdot \cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot 1) \cdot (\cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot 1)}$$

$$= 56.$$

b. $\binom{4}{4} = \frac{4!}{4!(4-4)!} = \frac{4!}{4!0!} = \frac{\cancel{4} \cdot \cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{1}}{(\cancel{4} \cdot \cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{1})(1)} = 1$

c. $\binom{n+1}{n} = \frac{(n+1)!}{n!((n+1)-n)!} = \frac{(n+1)!}{n!1!} = \frac{(n+1) \cdot \cancel{n!}}{\cancel{n!}} = n+1$

Lecture 11 – part 5

Sequences Exercises

Lecture 11 – part 6

Mathematical Induction

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Principle of Mathematical Induction

Let $P(n)$ be a property that is defined for integers n , and let a be a fixed integer. Suppose the following two statements are true:

1. $P(a)$ is true.
2. For all integers $k \geq a$, if $P(k)$ is true then $P(k + 1)$ is true.

Then the statement

for all integers $n \geq a$, $P(n)$

is true.

Method of Proof by Mathematical Induction

Consider a statement of the form, “For all integers $n \geq a$, a property $P(n)$ is true.”

To prove such a statement, perform the following two steps:

Step 1 (basis step): Show that $P(a)$ is true.

Step 2 (inductive step): Show that for all integers $k \geq a$, if $P(k)$ is true then $P(k + 1)$ is true. To perform this step,

suppose that $P(k)$ is true, where k is any particular but arbitrarily chosen integer with $k \geq a$.

*[This supposition is called the **inductive hypothesis**.]*

Then

show that $P(k + 1)$ is true.

Example

Let $P(n)$ be the proposition that the sum of the first n odd numbers is n^2 .

That is,

$$P(n) : 1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + (2n - 1) = n^2.$$

The k th odd number is $2k - 1$, and the next odd number is $2k + 1$.

STEP 1: Observe that $P(1)$ is true: $1 = 1^2$.

STEP 2: Assuming $P(k)$ is true, we add $2k + 1$ to both sides, obtaining:

$$1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + (2k - 1) + (2k + 1) = k^2 + (2k + 1).$$

This simplifies to:

$$1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + (2k - 1) + (2k + 1) = (k + 1)^2.$$

By the principle of mathematical induction, $P(n)$ is true for all positive integers n .

$$P(1) : 1 = 1^2$$

$$P(2) : 1 + 3 = 2^2$$

$$P(3) : 1 + 3 + 5 = 3^2$$

$$P(4) : 1 + 3 + 5 + 7 = 4^2$$

Example

Any whole number of cents of at least 8ϕ . I can be obtained using 3ϕ and 5ϕ coins.

Number of Cents	How to Obtain It
8ϕ	$3\phi + 5\phi$
9ϕ	$3\phi + 3\phi + 3\phi$
10ϕ	$5\phi + 5\phi$
11ϕ	$3\phi + 3\phi + 5\phi$
12ϕ	$3\phi + 3\phi + 3\phi + 3\phi$
13ϕ	$3\phi + 5\phi + 5\phi$
14ϕ	$3\phi + 3\phi + 3\phi + 5\phi$
15ϕ	$5\phi + 5\phi + 5\phi$
16ϕ	$3\phi + 3\phi + 5\phi + 5\phi$
17ϕ	$3\phi + 3\phi + 3\phi + 3\phi + 5\phi$

For all integers $n \geq 8$, $n\text{¢}$ can be obtained using 3¢ and 5¢ coins.

Proof (by mathematical induction):

Let the property $P(n)$ be the sentence

$n\text{¢}$ can be obtained using 3¢ and 5¢ coins. $\leftarrow P(n)$

Show that $P(8)$ is true:

$P(8)$ is true because 8¢ can be obtained using one 3¢ coin and one 5¢ coin.

Show that for all integers $k \geq 8$, if $P(k)$ is true then $P(k+1)$ is also true:

[Suppose that $P(k)$ is true for a particular but arbitrarily chosen integer $k \geq 8$. That is:]

Suppose that k is any integer with $k \geq 8$ such that

$k\text{¢}$ can be obtained using 3¢ and 5¢ coins. $\leftarrow P(k)$
inductive hypothesis

[We must show that $P(k+1)$ is true. That is:] We must show that

$(k+1)\text{¢}$ can be obtained using 3¢ and 5¢ coins. $\leftarrow P(k+1)$

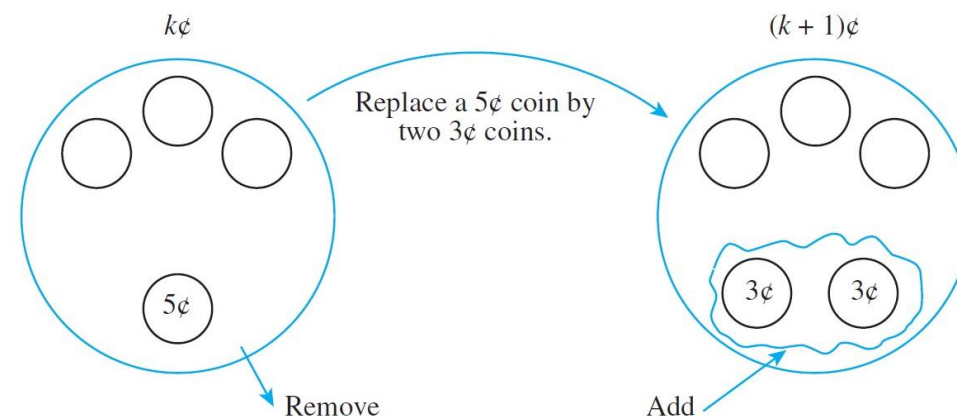
Case 1 (There is a 5¢ coin among those used to make up the $k\text{¢}$): In this case replace the 5¢ coin by two 3¢ coins; the result will be $(k+1)\text{¢}$.

Case 2 (There is not a 5¢ coin among those used to make up the $k\text{¢}$): In this case, because $k \geq 8$, at least three 3¢ coins must have been used. So remove three 3¢ coins and replace them by two 5¢ coins; the result will be $(k+1)\text{¢}$.

Thus in either case $(k+1)\text{¢}$ can be obtained using 3¢ and 5¢ coins [as was to be shown].

[Since we have proved the basis step and the inductive step, we conclude that the proposition is true.]

Case 1



Case 2

