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## LEC 2 INDUCTION

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1. To prove  $P$  is true, we assume  $P$  is false  
(i.e.  $\neg P$  is T) & then use that ~~hypothesis~~ ~~hypothesis~~  
hypothesis to derive a falsehood or contradiction  
IF  $\neg P \Rightarrow F$  is true.  
     $\underbrace{\quad}_{F}$

Ex: Thm:  $\sqrt{2}$  is irrational.

Pf (by Contradiction)

assume for purpose of contradiction that

$\sqrt{2}$  is rational

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2} = a/b$  (fraction in <sup>lowest</sup> ~~least~~ terms)

$\Rightarrow 2 = a^2/b^2 \Rightarrow 2b^2 = a^2$ , so  $a^2$  is even,  $a$  is

even too,  $(2|a) \Rightarrow 4|a^2 \Rightarrow 4|2b^2 \Rightarrow 2|b^2$ , so

$b$  is even too

$\uparrow$  (multiple by 4)

so  $a/b$  is not in lowest term

$\Rightarrow$  ~~contradiction~~ contradiction ~~#~~

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2}$  is irrational, check



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## INDUCTION axiom

Let  $P(n)$  be a predicate. If  $P(0)$  is true and  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, (P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1))$  is true then  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n)$  is true. by induction

If  $P(0), P(0) \Rightarrow P(1), P(1) \Rightarrow P(2), \dots$

then  $P(0), P(1), P(2), \dots$  are true

Ex 1: Thm:  $\forall n \geq 0 \quad 1+2+3+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} i = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} 1 \cdot n$$

If  $n=1 \quad 1+2+\dots+n=1$

If  $n=0 \quad 1+2+\dots+n=0$

$n=4 \quad 1+2+3+4=10 = \frac{4(4+1)}{2}$

PF: by induction

Let  $P(n)$  be proposition that  $\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

Base case:  $P(0)$  is true,  $\sum_{i=1}^0 i = 0 = \frac{0(0+1)}{2}$  ✓

inductive step for  $n \geq 0$ , show  $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$  is true

Assume  $P(n)$  is true for purposes of induction

(i.e., assume  $1+2+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ )

need to show  $1+2+\dots+(n+1) = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}$





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$$\Rightarrow 1 + 2 + \dots + n + (n+1)$$

$\forall n \geq 0, \quad \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + (n+1) = \frac{n^2 + n + 2n + 2}{2} = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2} \checkmark$

$P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$ , check

[Ex2] Thm:  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, 3 \mid (n^3 - n)$

PE by induction let  $P(n) \quad 3 \mid (n^3 - n)$

base case:  $n=0, 3 \mid (0-0) \checkmark$

Inductive step: For  $n \geq 0$  show  $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$

Assume  $P(n)$  is True, i.e.  $3 \mid (n^3 - n)$

Examine  $(n+1)^3 - (n+1) = n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n + 1 - (n+1)$

$$= n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n$$

$$= n^3 - n + 3n^2 + 3n$$

$$= \underbrace{(n^3 - n)}_{\text{multiple by 3}} + 3(n^2 + n)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \mid (n+1)^3 - (n+1) \checkmark, \quad \text{multiple by 3}$$

$\Rightarrow P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$  is true, check  $\checkmark$

Base case  $P(b)$  is true, assume  $P(n)$  true/ok

Inductive step:  $\forall n \geq b, P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$

Conclude  $\forall n \geq b, P(n)$



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EX3. ~~Therm~~ (NoT) All horse are the same color

PF by induction

$P(n)$  I any set of  $n$  horses, the horses are all the same color

Base case:  $P(1)$  true since just one horse

Inductive Step: assume  $P(n)$  to prove  $P(n+1)$

$n+1$  horses  $H_1, H_2, \dots, H_{n+1}$   
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{P(n) \text{ are the same color}}$

$H_2, \dots, H_{n+1}$  also the same color

$\Rightarrow$  Since  $(H_1)_{\text{color}} = \underline{\text{color}(H_2, \dots, H_n)} = \text{color}(H_{n+1})$

$\Rightarrow$  all  $n+1$  are same color  $\Rightarrow P(n+1)$  check  $\checkmark$

Why? What's wrong?  $\downarrow$   $n=1$  is a empty set

$P(1) \Rightarrow P(2) \times$        $P(2) \Rightarrow P(3) \Rightarrow P(4) \Rightarrow \dots P(n) \checkmark$

base case  $P(2)$  is false