

Prove:

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

Basically same as:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n n^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1)$$

Base Case: n=1

$$0^2 + 1^2 = \frac{1}{6}(1)(1+1)(2(1)+1)$$

$$1 = \frac{1}{6} \cdot 2 \cdot 3 = 1 \checkmark$$

Hypothesis:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n n^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1) \text{ is TRUE for } n \geq 1$$

Proof:

$$\left(\sum_{i=0}^n n^2 \right) + (n+1)^2 = \frac{1}{6}(n+1)(n+1+1)(2(n+1)+1)$$

Substituting base case in for $\left(\sum_{i=0}^n n^2 \right)$

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

$$\frac{n^3}{3} + \frac{3n^2}{2} + \frac{13n}{6} + 1 = \frac{n^3}{3} + \frac{3n^2}{2} + \frac{13n}{6} + 1 \checkmark$$

Polynomial expansion from wolframalpha.com

Prove:

$$n < 2^n \text{ for } n > 0$$

Base Case: n=1

$$1 < 2^1 \checkmark$$

Hypothesis:

$$n < 2^n \text{ is true for } n \geq 1$$

Proof

$$(n + 1) < 2^{n+1}$$

Substitute base case for n

$$2^n + 1 < 2(2^n) \checkmark$$

Conclusion

Adding one will always be less than multiplying by 2 for 2^n if $n \geq 1$

Prove:

$3^n > 2^n$ for $n > 0$

Base Case: $n=1$

$$3^1 > 2^1 \quad 3 > 2 \quad \checkmark$$

Hypothesis:

$3^n > 2^n$ is true for $n \geq 1$

Proof

$$3^{n+1} > 2^{n+1}$$

$$3^n \cdot 3^1 > 2 \cdot 2^n$$

Substitute hypothesis in for 3^n

$$3(2^n) > 2(2^n) \quad \checkmark$$

Prove:

$9^n - 1$ is a multiple of 8 for all positive integers $n > 0$

Base Case: n=1

$$9^1 - 1$$

$$8$$

$$8/8 = 1 \checkmark$$

Hypothesis

$9^n - 1$ is a multiple of 8 for all positive integers $n \geq 1$

Proof

$$9^{n+1} - 1$$

$$9^n \cdot 9 - 1$$

$$8(9^n) + 9^n - 1 \checkmark$$

Conclusion

Anything times 8 is a multiple of 8, so $8(9^n)$ is a multiple of 8. In the base case, we already proved $9^n - 1$ is a multiple of 8

Prove

$4^n - 1$ is a multiple of 3 for all positive integers $n > 0$

Base Case: n=1

$$4^1 - 1$$

$$3$$

$$3/3 = 1 \checkmark$$

Hypothesis

$4^n - 1$ is a multiple of 3 for all positive integers $n \geq 1$

Proof

$$4^{n+1} - 1$$

$$4n \cdot 4^1 - 1$$

$$3(4n) + 4n - 1 \checkmark$$

Conclusion:

Since $4n$ is being multiplied by 3, that term has to be a multiple of 3. We already proved that $4n - 1$ is a multiple of 3 in the base case.

Prove:

```
def func(n):  
    i = 0  
    if (n > 1):  
        func(n - 1)  
    for i in range(n):  
        print(" * ", end=" ")
```

Base Case: n=1

```
func(1):  
    i = 0  
    if (1 > 1) # False:  
  
    for i in range(1):  
        print(" * ", end=" ")
```

Assume

`func(n)` is true for $n \geq 1$

Proof

```
func(n+1):  
    i = 0  
    if (n+1 > 1): #True  
        func(n + 1 - 1) # Goes back to assumption
```

Conclusion

$n + 1 - 1 = n$, so it just goes back to our assumption

Prove:

```
def func(array, n):  
    if (n==1):  
        return array[0]  
    else:  
        x = func(a, n-1)  
        if (x > a[n-1]):  
            return x  
        else:  
            return a[n-1]
```

Base Case: n=1

```
func(array, 1):  
    if (1 == 1): # True  
        return array[0]
```

Assumption:

`func(n)` is true for $n \geq 1$

Proof:

```
func(array, n+1):  
    if (n + 1 == 1): # False  
    else:  
        x = func(a, n + 1 - 1) # Goes back to assumption
```