

1 Proof by Induction

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Divisibility

- 1) Base case
- 2) Assume $n=k$
- 3) Prove $n=k+1$
- 4) Conclusion

Conclusion

If $n=k$ is true,
then $n=k+1$ is true
As true for $n=1$,
 $\therefore 2^{k+2} + 3^{2k+1}$
divisible by 7 for all
values $n \geq 1, n \in \mathbb{Z}$
Q.E.D //

\rightarrow Prove $2^{k+2} + 3^{2k+1}$ divisible
by 7 for all $n \geq 1$

Base case $n=1$

$$2^{(1)+2} + 3^{2(1)+1} = 35$$

Assume true for $n=k$

$$2^{k+2} + 3^{2k+1} = 7a$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{k+2} = 7a - 3^{2k+1}$$

Prove true for $n=k+1$

$$2^{k+3} + 3^{2(k+1)+1} = 2^{k+2} + 3^{2k+3}$$

Use assumption

$$= 2(7a - 3^{2k+1}) + 3^{2k+3}$$

$$= 7(2a) - 2(3^{2k+1}) + 9(3^{2k+1})$$

$$= 7(2a + 3^{2k+1})$$

\therefore divisible by 7

Conclusion

If true for $n=k$,
then true for $n=k+1$
Show true for $n=1$,
hence true for all $n \geq 1, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ Q.E.D //

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Sums of series

$$\rightarrow \text{Prove } \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \frac{n}{6}(n+1)(2n+1)$$

Base case $n=1$

$$\text{LHS: } \sum_{r=1}^1 r^2 = 1 \quad \text{RHS: } \frac{1}{6}(2)(3) = 1$$

LHS = RHS \therefore true for base case

Assume true for $n=k$

$$\sum_{r=1}^k r^2 = \frac{k}{6}(k+1)(2k+1)$$

Prove true for $n=k+1$

$$\text{RHS: } \frac{k+1}{6}(k+2)(2k+3)$$

$$\text{LHS: } \sum_{r=1}^{k+1} r^2 = \sum_{r=1}^k r^2 + (k+1)^2$$

Use assumption

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

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

$$= \frac{k+1}{6}(2k^2 + 7k + 6)$$

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

Conclusion

If true for $n=k$,
then true for $n=k+1$
Show true for $n=1$,
 \therefore true for all $n \geq 1$,
 $n \in \mathbb{Z}$
Q.E.D //

Inequalities

\rightarrow Prove $P(n) : 2^n > n+4$ for $n \geq 3$

Base case $n=3$

$$\text{LHS: } 2^3 = 8 \quad \text{RHS: } 3+4 = 7$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS} > \text{RHS} \text{ true for } n=3$$

Assume true for $n=k$

$$2^k > k+4$$

Prove true for $n=k+1$

$$\text{LHS: } 2^{k+1} \quad \text{RHS: } k+5$$

$$2^{k+1} = 2(2^k) > 2(k+4)$$

Use assumption

$$\therefore 2^{k+1} > 2k+8 > k+5$$

LHS > RHS

$$\therefore 2^{k+1} > k+5$$

\therefore LHS > RHS true for $n=k+1$

Conclusion

If true for $n=k$,
then true for $n=k+1$
As true for $n=3$,
then true for $n \geq 3, n \in \mathbb{Z}$
Q.E.D //

Matrices

$\rightarrow A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, Prove $A^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2^{n+1} \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Base case $n=1$

$$A^1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2^{1+1} \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Assume true for $n=k$

$$A^k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2^{k+1} \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Prove true for $n=k+1$

$$A^{k+1} = A^k A$$

Use assumption

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2^{k+1} \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 + 2(2^{k+1}) \\ 0 & 2^k \times 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 + 2^{k+2} \\ 0 & 2^{k+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2^{k+2} \\ 0 & 2^{k+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

If true for $n=k$,

then true for $n=k+1$

As true for $n=1$,

then true for $n \geq 1, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

Q.E.D //

Sequences

$\rightarrow U_1 = -1, U_{n+1} = \frac{3U_n}{5U_n + 6}$, for $n \geq 1$

$$\text{Prove } U_n = \frac{3}{2n+5}$$

Base case $n=1$

$$\text{LHS: } U_1 = -1 \text{ from statement}$$

$$\text{RHS: } \frac{3}{2(1)+5} = -1 \therefore \text{RHS} = \text{LHS}$$

Assumption $n=k$

$$U_k = \frac{3}{2k+5}$$

Prove true for $n=k+1$

$$\text{RHS: } \frac{3}{2(k+1)+5}$$

$$\text{LHS: } U_{k+1} = \frac{3U_k}{5U_k + 6}$$

Use assumption

$$= \frac{3\left(\frac{3}{2k+5}\right)}{5\left(\frac{3}{2k+5}\right) + 6}$$

$$= \left(\frac{9}{2k+5}\right) \left(\frac{2k+5}{15+6(2k+5)}\right)$$

$$= \frac{9}{2k+5}$$