

# Chapter 2

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## The Peano Axioms (God help us)

The natural numbers are the elements of the set  $N := \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$

### The Axioms

1. 0 is a natural number
2. if  $n$  is a natural number, then  $n++$  is also a natural number
3.  $\forall n \in N, n++ \neq 0$
4.  $\forall n, m \in N, n++ = m++ \rightarrow n = m$
5. *Induction:*  $P(n)$  is a property of a natural number  $n$ ,  $P(0) \wedge P(n++) \rightarrow P(n)$  is true for all  $n \in N$

### Induction

At least while we only look at the natural numbers, proving  $P(0)$ , assuming  $P(n) \forall n \in N$  and proving  $P(n++)$  proves  $P(n)$ .

From what I get, we can do this because once  $P(0) \wedge P(n++)$ ,  $P(0++\text{indefinite times})$  becomes true.

## Recursive definitions

Recursive definitions generate a sequence based on a function. An initial value,  $a_0$  is defined, and the rest of the sequence is defined as  $a_{n++} := f(a_n)$ . Each element of the sequence will now have a unique value, which in turn produces a unique value, the output of  $f$  for the next element of the sequence.

## Addition

- Only for  $N \rightarrow N$ , obviously.

$$m \in N$$

$$0 + m := m$$

Assume inductively that  $n + m, n \in N$  is defined.

We now define  $(n++) + m := (n + m)++$

We can now recursively "count".

Note that  $3 + 5$  involves counting 5 times, while  $5 + 3$  involves counting 3 times.

**Lemma 2.2.2**  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \ n + 0 = n$ 

We cannot just prove this from the definition of addition, as its in reverse.

**Proof:**

We use induction.

Base case:  $0 + 0 = 0$ , we *can* get this one by definition.

We now suppose inductively that  $n + 0 = n$ .

By definition.  $n++ + 0 = (n+0)++$ , which  $= n++$  since we have assumed inductively that  $(n+0) = n$ .

This concludes the proof.

**Lemma 2.2.3**  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}, n + (m++) = (n+m)++$ **Proof:**

We keep  $m$  fixed.

Consider  $n = 0$ ,  $\rightarrow 0 + (m++) = (0+m)++$ . We know this is true by definition.

We assume what we are trying to prove is true. Now we must show that  $(n++) + (m++) = ((n++) + m)++$ .

By definition of addition we have that the left side is  $(n + (m++))++$ . By the inductive hypothesis we have assumed that this  $= ((n+m)++)++$ .

The right side then becomes  $(n+m)++ ++$ , which  $= ((n+m)++)++$ . This concludes the induction.

**Proposition 2.2.4**  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N}, n + m = m + n$  (Commutativity)**Proof:**

We keep  $m$  fixed. This lets us prove the base case  $(0 + m = m + 0)$  by definition. We now suppose that  $n + m = m + n$  and have to prove  $(n++) + m = m + (n++)$ .

Left side By definition of addition we get  $(n++) + m = (n+m)++$ .

Right side By Lemma 2.2.3, we get  $m + (n++) = (m+n)++$ , but by our previous assumption,  $n + m = m + n$  and  $\therefore ((m+n)++) = (n+m)++$

**Proposition 2.2.5**  $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}, (a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$  (Associativity)**Proof: Exercise 2.2.1**

**Hint:** Modify proofs of 2.2.2, 2.2.3 & 2.2.4

something something inductive assumption  $\rightarrow$  both sides  $= (a + b + c)++$

Let us induct on  $a$ .

**Base case:**  $a = 0$

$$a = 0 \rightarrow (0 + b) + c = 0 + (b + c)$$

$$\text{By definition of addition: } b + c = b + c \quad \square$$

**Induction:** Assume  $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$

Prove:	$(a + + + b) + c = a + + + (b + c)$
By definition of addition:	$(a + b) + + + c = a + + + (b + c)$
Same thing:	$(a + b) + + + c = (a + (b + c)) + +$
One more time:	$((a + b) + c) + + = (a + (b + c)) + +$
We have already assumed asociativity.	$(a + b + c) + + = (a + b + c) + + \quad \square$

### Proposition 2.2.6 (Cancellation law)

Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N} \ni a + b = a + c. \Rightarrow b = c$

- We don't have subtraction
- But this does the job and also helps define the integers later

#### Proof

We induct on  $a$ .

**Base case:**  $a = 0$

$$a = 0 \rightarrow 0 + b = 0 + c$$

$$\text{By definition of addition: } \square$$

**Induction:** Assume  $a + b = a + c \rightarrow b = c$

Prove:	$(a + +) + b = (a + +) + c$
By definition of addition:	$(a + b) + + = (a + c) + +$
By Axiom 4:	$(a + b) = (a + c)$
We assume cancelation	$b = c \quad \square$

### Definition 2.2.7 (Positive natural numbers)

$$n \in \mathbb{N} \iff n \neq 0$$

### Proposition 2.2.8

$$a \in \mathbb{N} \wedge b \in \mathbb{N} \rightarrow (a + b) \in \mathbb{N}$$

**Proof:**

We induct on  $b$ .

**Base case:**  $b = 0$

$$\begin{array}{ll} b = 0 \rightarrow & a + 0 = a \\ a \in \mathbb{N} & \square \end{array}$$

**Induction:** Assume  $a \in \mathbb{N} \wedge b \in \mathbb{N} \rightarrow (a + b) \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Prove:} & a + (b++) \in \mathbb{N} \\ \text{By Lemna 2.2.3} & a + (b++) = (a + b)++ \\ \text{By Axiom 3:} & (a + b)++ \neq 0 \quad \square \end{array}$$

### Corollary 2.2.9

$$\{a, b\} \in \mathbb{N} \wedge a + b = 0 \rightarrow a = 0 \wedge b = 0$$

**Proof**

If  $a$  or  $b \neq 0$  (are positive), by Proposition 2.2.8 (and conmutativity)  $a + b \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $\therefore$ , by contradiction,  $a, b = 0$ .

### Lemma 2.2.10

$$a \in \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \exists! b \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } (b++) = a$$

**Proof: Exercise 2.2.2**

**Hint:** Use indiction. (The induction hypotesis is not actually used, but that doesn't undermine the validity of the argument)

We induct on  $b$ .

**Base case:**  $b = 0$

$$\begin{array}{ll} b = 0 \rightarrow & 0++ = 1 \rightarrow a = 1 \\ \text{By Axiom 3:} & a \in \mathbb{N} \quad \square \end{array}$$

**Induction:** Assume  $a \in \mathbb{N}$

Prove:  $(b++)++ = a \rightarrow a \in \mathbb{N}$

By Axiom 3:  $(b++), (b++)++ \neq 0 \rightarrow (b++)++ \in \mathbb{N} \rightarrow a \in \mathbb{N} \quad \square?????$

**Definition 2.2.1: Ordering of  $\mathbb{N}$**

$$n \geq m \iff \exists a \text{ s.t. } n = m + a$$

$$n > m \iff n \geq m \wedge n \neq m$$

**Proposition 2.2.12: (Basic properties of the natural numbers)**

(a).  $x \geq x$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Def. Addition: } x + 0 &= x \\ \therefore a = 0 &\rightarrow x \geq x \end{aligned}$$

(b).  $a \geq b \wedge b \geq c \rightarrow a \geq c$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= b + n_1; b = c + n_2 \\ a &= c + n_1 + n_2 \end{aligned}$$

(c).  $a \geq b \wedge b \geq a \rightarrow a = b$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= b + n_1; b = a + n_2 \\ a &= a + n_2 + n_1 \\ \text{Asso. \& Def. Addition: } a + 0 &= a + (n_2 + n_1) \\ \text{Cancellation law: } (n_2 + n_1) &= 0 \\ \text{Collary 2.2.9: } n_1, n_2 &= 0 \\ \text{Def. Addition: } a = b + 0 &\rightarrow a = b \end{aligned}$$

(d).  $a \geq b \iff a + c \geq b + c$

$$\begin{aligned} a + c \geq b + c &\rightarrow a + c = b + c + n_1 \\ \text{Cancellation law: } a = b + n_1 &\therefore a \geq b??? \end{aligned}$$

(e).  $a < b \iff a++ \leq b$

$$\begin{aligned} a++ \geq b &\rightarrow a++ + n_1 = b \\ \text{Def. Addition: } a++ &= a + 1 \\ n_2 = n_1 + 1 &\rightarrow a + n_2 = b \\ \text{Def } > 1 \quad n_2 &> 0 \\ a &< b \end{aligned}$$

$$(f). a < b \iff b = a + d \wedge d \in \mathbb{N}^+$$

Proposition 2.2.12 e:	$a++ \leq b$
Def. Addition	$a+1 \leq b$
Def. <	$a+1+n_1 = b$
Def. Addition	$a+(n_1++) = b$
Axiom 2.3	$(n_1++) \neq 0$
Def. Positive	$n_1$ is positive

**Proposition 2.2.13: Trichotomy of order for natural numbers**

$$a, b \in \mathbb{N} \rightarrow (a < b \vee a = b \vee a > b)$$

1.  $a = 0 \rightarrow a \leq b \forall b$  (why?) Induction.

$$\begin{aligned} b = 0 & \quad 0+0 = b \\ b++ & \quad 0+n_1 = b++ \\ & \quad \forall b++, n_1 = b++ \quad \text{or something like that} \end{aligned}$$

2.  $a > b \rightarrow a++ > b$  (why?)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proposition 2.2.12 f:} & \quad a = b + n_1, n_1 \text{ is positive} \\ \text{Axiom 2.4:} & \quad a++ = (b + n_1)++ \\ \text{Associativity} & \quad a++ = b + (n_1++) \\ \text{Axiom 2.3:} & \quad n_1++ \text{ is positive} \\ \text{Proposition 2.2.12 f:} & \quad a++ > b \end{aligned}$$

3.  $a = b \rightarrow a++ > b$  (why?)

$$\text{Def. Addition:} \quad a++ = b++ = a+1$$

**Proposition 2.2.14: Strong principle of induction** Let  $m_0$  be some natural number and  $P(m)$  be a property of an arbitrary natural number  $m$ . Suppose that  $\forall m \geq m_0 : P(m') \forall m_0 \leq m' < m \rightarrow P(m)$ . It can then be concluded that  $P(m) \forall m \geq m_0$ .

**Proof:** Let  $Q(n)$  be the property that  $P(m) \forall m_0 \leq m < n$ . The hypothesis can now be re-written as:  $Q(n) \rightarrow P(n)$ .

**Base case:**  $n = 0$

Im not proving this:

$$\nexists m \text{ s.t. } m_0 \leq m < 0$$

**Assume**  $Q(n) \rightarrow P(n)$ . **Prove**  $Q(n++)$

$$Q(n) \wedge P(n) \rightarrow$$

$$\text{Proposition 2.2.12 e:}$$

$$\text{Def. } Q(n)$$

$$P(m) \forall m_0 \leq m \leq n$$

$$P(m) \forall m_0 \leq m < n++$$

$$Q(n++) \quad \square$$