

# CSC236 2017 Summer Assignment 1

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## 1. Proof by Simple Induction:

Define the Predicate  $P(n)$ :  $f(0) + f(2) + \dots + f(2n) = f(2n+1)$

Want to prove:  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n)$

**Base Case:** Let  $n = 0$ , We want to prove  $P(0)$  i.e,  $f(0) = f(2*0+1) = f(1)$

By the Fibonacci function, we know that  $f(0) = f(1) = 1$ . Then  $f(0) = f(2*0 + 1)$

Let  $n = 1$ , We want to prove  $P(1)$  i.e,  $f(0) + f(2) = f(2*1+1) = f(3)$

$f(2) = f(0) + f(1) = 1 + 1 = 2$  (By fibonacci function)

$f(3) = f(1) + f(2) = 1 + 2 = 3$

$f(0) + f(2) = 1 + 2 = 3 = f(3)$

**Induction Step:** Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}, k \geq 0$ . Assume  $P(k)$  i.e,  $f(0) + f(2) + \dots + f(2k) = f(2k+1)$

Want to prove  $P(k + 1)$  i.e,  $f(0) + f(2) + \dots + f(2k) + f(2k+2) = f(2(k+1)+1) = f(2k+3)$

$$\begin{aligned} f(0) + f(2) + \dots + f(2k) + f(2k+2) &= f(2k+1) + f(2k+2) \text{ (By Induction hypothesis)} \\ &= f(2k+3) \text{ (By Definition of Fibonacci function)} \\ &= f(2(k+1)+1) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, f(0) + f(2) + \dots + f(2n) = f(2n+1) \quad \square$

## 2. Proof by Simple Induction:

Define the Predicate  $P(n)$ :  $8 \mid (2n+1)^2 - 1$

Want to prove:  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n)$

**Base Case:** Let  $n = 0$ , We want to prove  $P(0)$  i.e,  $8 \mid 0$

$8*0 = 0$

**Induction Step:** Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}, k \geq 0$ . Assume  $P(k)$  i.e,  $8 \mid (2k+1)^2 - 1$

Want to prove  $P(k + 1)$  i.e,  $8 \mid (2(k+1)+1)^2 - 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
(2(k+1)+1)^2 - 1 &= (2k+3)^2 - 1 \\
&= 4k^2 + 12k + 8 \\
&= (4k^2 + 4k + 1 - 1) + 8k + 8 \\
&= [(2k+1)^2 - 1] + 8(k+1)
\end{aligned}$$

We know that  $8 \mid (2k+1)^2 - 1$  is true by *Induction hypothesis*.

And  $8 \mid 8(k+1)$  is true since  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

And then  $8 \mid [(2k+1)^2 - 1] + 8(k+1)$  is true.

Hence  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, 8 \mid (2n+1)^2 - 1 \quad \square$

3. We cannot represent any amount with coins of denominations 3 and 5. But we can find a number 8 that any amount greater or equal to it we can represent it with the above coins.

Define  $P(n) = \exists a, b \in \mathbb{N}, n = 3a + 5b$ .

We want to prove  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 8 \Rightarrow P(n)$ .

Proof by simple induction.

**Base Case:** Let  $n = 8$ , We want to prove  $P(8)$ , i.e,  $8 = 3a + 5b$ .

Let  $a = 1, b = 5$ , Then  $8 = 3a + 5b$ .

**Induction Step:** Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}, k \geq 8$ . Assume  $P(k)$ , i.e,  $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{N}, k = 3a + 5b$ .

We want to prove  $P(k+1)$ , i.e,  $\exists a', b' \in \mathbb{N}, k+1 = 3a' + 5b'$ .

We break in into two cases.

**Case1:  $b > 0$ :**  $k+1 = 3a' + 5b'$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 3a + 5b + 1 \text{ (By Induction Hypothesis)} \\
&= 3a + 5b + (2 * 3 - 1 * 5) \\
&= 3(a+2) + 5(b-1) \\
&= 3a' + 5b'
\end{aligned}$$

**Case2:  $b = 0$ :**  $k+1 = 3a' + 5b'$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 3a + 5b + (2 * 5 - 3 * 3) \text{ (By Induction Hypothesis)} \\
&= 3(a-3) + 5(b+2) \\
&= 3a' + 5b'
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 8 \Rightarrow \exists a, b \in \mathbb{N}, n = 3a + 5b$ .

4. Proof by Well-Ordering Principle.

Let set  $S: \{m \in \mathbb{Z} \mid \exists k \in \mathbb{N}, n = 2^k * m\}$

First we want to prove  $S \neq \emptyset$

Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , Let  $k = 0$

Then  $n = 2^0 * m = m$

Then  $n \in S$  (Since  $m \in S$ )

Then  $S \neq \emptyset$

We want to prove  $S \in \mathbb{N}$

We have  $2^k \geq 1$ . (Since  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , the least natural number is 0)

And  $n = 2^k * m$

Then  $n \geq 1$

We have  $m \in \mathbb{Z}, m \neq 0$ , otherwise,  $m = 0$ , then  $n = 0$ , which is contradict with  $n \geq 1$ .

Then  $m > 0$ . (Since  $n \geq 1 \wedge 2^k \geq 1$ ).

Then  $S \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then there exist a least element  $m' \in S$ . (By Well-Ordering Principle).

We want to prove  $m'$  is odd, i.e,  $\exists d \in \mathbb{N}, m' = 2d + 1$

Assume  $m'$  is even, i.e,  $\exists d \in \mathbb{N}, m' = 2d$

Then  $n = 2^k * m' = 2^{k+1} * d$

Then  $d \in S \wedge d < m'$  (Contradiction with  $m'$  is the least element in  $S$ ).

Hence, given any natural number  $n \geq 1$ , there exists an odd integer  $m$  and a natural number  $k$  such that  $n = 2^k * m$ .

5. Define  $P(x, y) : \exists k \in \mathbb{N}, (x, y) = (2^{k+1} + 1, 2^k + 1)$ .

Want to prove  $\forall (x, y) \in N, P(x, y)$ .

Proof by structural induction.

**Base Case:** Want to prove  $P(3, 2)$ , i.e,  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}, (x, y) = (2^{k+1} + 1, 2^k + 1)$ .

Let  $k = 0$ , Then  $(3, 2) = (2^1 + 1, 2^0 + 1)$ .

**Induction Step:** Assume  $H(\{x, y\})$ , i.e,  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}, (x, y) = (2^{k+1} + 1, 2^k + 1)$ .

We want to prove  $P(3x - 2y, x)$ , i.e,  $\exists k' \in \mathbb{N}, (x, y) = (2^{k'+1} + 1, 2^{k'} + 1)$ .

Let  $k' = k + 1$ , Then  $(3x - 2y, x) = (3(2^{k+1} + 1) - 2(2^k + 1), 2^{k+1} + 1)$ .

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

$$= (2^{k'+1} + 1, 2^{k'} + 1)$$

Hence,  $\forall (x, y) \in N, \exists k \in \mathbb{N}, (x, y) = (2^{k+1} + 1, 2^k + 1)$  is true for all elements of  $M$ .

6.(a) Let  $n = 2$ , then there are A and B are playing this game.

Then A has a unique nearest neighbour B

And B has a unique nearest neighbour A

Then A throw B, B throw A.

Then there may be no dry person.

(b) Define  $P(n) : \text{Suppose } 2n+1 \text{ people are positioned such that each person has a unique nearest neighbour. Each person has a single water balloon that they}$

throw at their nearest neighbour. Then there is always at least one dry person.

Want to prove  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n > 0 \Rightarrow P(n)$ .

Proof by simple induction.

**Base Case:** Let  $n = 0$ , want to prove  $P(1)$ .

There is no unique nearest neighbour. (Since just one person are playing this game )

Then there is always at least one dry person.

Let  $n = 1$ , want to prove  $P(3)$ .

Then we have A,B and C. If A throw B, then B throw A.

C will throw A or B, and no one will throw C.

Then C is the dry person.

Then there is always at least one dry person.

**Induction Step:** let  $n = k, k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Assume  $P(k)$ , i.e, Suppose Suppose  $2k+1$  people are positioned such that each person has a unique nearest neighbour. Each person has a single water balloon that they throw at their nearest neighbour. Then there is always at least one dry person. Want to prove  $P(k+1)$ , i.e, Suppose Suppose  $2k+3$  people are positioned such that each person has a unique nearest neighbour. Each person has a single water balloon that they throw at their nearest neighbour. Then there is always at least one dry person. We want to separate  $2k + 3$  people into two group. Picking arbitrary two people A and B to formed Group 1. And the  $2k+1$  people formed Group2.

**Case1: At least one person form Group2 throw A or B**

We have one of the  $2k+1$  people is unique nearest A or B.

Then A or B is not dry

Then there are  $2k+1$  people have  $2k$  water balloon.

Then there is always at least one dry person.

**Case2: Every people from Group2 do not throw A and B**

Then A will throw B, and B will throw A.

Then, we just consider Group2.

Then Group2 must have one dry person (By Induction Hypothesis).

Then  $2k+3$  people is always have at least one dry person.

**Put Case1 and Case2 together:**  $2k + 3$  people always have one dry person.

Hence,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n)$ .

Q7. Proof by Complete Induction

**Define Predicate  $P(n)$ :** A convex polygon with consecutive vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  is triangulated into  $n - 2$  triangles, the  $n - 2$  triangles can be numbered  $1, 2, \dots, n - 2$  so that  $v_i$  is a vertex of triangle  $i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 2$ .

**Base Case:** Let  $n = 3$ , Want to prove  $P(3)$ , i.e. A convex polygon with consecutive vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3$  is triangulated into 1 triangle, this triangle can be numbered as 1 so that  $v_i$  is a vertex of triangle  $i$  for  $i = 1$ .

The convex polygon with three vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3$  must be a triangle and the triangle itself can be numbered as 1 which  $v_1$  is a vertex of this triangle. Therefore,  $P(3)$  is true.

**Induction Step:** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $n \geq 3$ .

Assume  $P(k)$ , i.e. A convex polygon with consecutive vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  is triangulated into  $k - 2$  triangles, the  $k - 2$  triangles can be numbered  $1, 2, \dots, k - 2$  so that  $v_i$  is a vertex of triangle  $i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k - 2$ , for  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $3 \leq k < n$ .

Want to prove  $P(n)$  i.e. A convex polygon with consecutive vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  is triangulated into  $n - 2$  triangles, the  $n - 2$  triangles can be numbered  $1, 2, \dots, n - 2$  so that  $v_i$  is a vertex of triangle  $i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 2$ .

There are two cases we need to consider:

*Case1:*  $v_n$  is connected with one of the vertices  $v_m$

And the diagonal between  $v_n$  and  $v_m$  will separate the convex polygon into two smaller polygons, we named them A1 and A2.

Since  $v_m$  can not be the neighbour with  $v_1$  or  $v_n$ , we know that  $1 < m < n - 1$ .

We consider A1 first, there are  $m+1$  vertices such as  $v_1, v_2 \dots v_m, v_n$  in A1.

Since we need consecutive vertices, and we rename  $v_n$  to  $v_m + 1$ .

From the condition above:  $1 < m < n - 1$ , we can get  $3 \leq m + 1 < n$  by some simple manipulations. And this condition satisfies what we assumed in induction hypothesis. Therefore, A1 satisfy the predicate.

And then, consider A2, there are  $n-m+1$  vertices such as  $v_m, v_m + 1 \dots v_n - i, v_n$  in A2.

Since we need consecutive vertices, and we rename  $v_i$  to  $v_i - m + 1$ .

Since we know that  $1 < m < n - 1$ , and  $1 - n < -m < -1$ .

From  $1 - n < -m < -1$ , we can get  $3 \leq n - m + 1 < n$  by some simple manipulations. And this condition satisfies what we assumed in induction hypothesis.

Therefore, A2 satisfy the predicate.

Combine A1 and A2, and rename the vertices in P2 as  $v_i - 1 + m$  in order to fit the condition of consecutive vertices, and then  $P(n)$  is true for the whole convex polygon.

*Case2:*  $v_n - 1$  is connected with one of the vertices  $v_m$

And the diagonal between  $v_n - 1$  and  $v_m$  will separate the convex polygon into two smaller polygons, we named them A1 and A2.

Since  $v_m$  can not be the neighbour with  $v_1$  or  $v_n - 1$ , we know that  $1 \leq m < n - 2$ .

We consider A1 first, there are  $m+2$  vertices such as  $v_1, v_2 \dots v_m, v_n - 1, v_n$  in A1.

Since we need consecutive vertices, and we rename  $v_n - 1$  to  $v_m + 1$  and  $v_n$  to  $v_m + 2$ .

From the condition above:  $1 \leq m < n - 2$ , we can get  $3 \leq m + 2 < n$  by some simple manipulations. And this condition satisfies what we assumed in induction hypothesis. Therefore, A1 satisfy the predicate.

And then, consider A2, there are  $n-m$  vertices such as  $v_m, v_m + 1 \dots v_n - i$  in A2.

Since we need consecutive vertices, and we rename  $v_i$  to  $v_i - m + 1$ .

Since we know that  $1 \leq m < n - 2$ , and  $2 - n < -m \leq -1$ .

From  $2 - n < -m \leq -1$ , we can get  $2 < n - m \leq n - 1$  by some simple manipulations. And this condition satisfies what we assumed in induction hypothesis.

Therefore, A2 satisfy the predicate.

Combine A1 and A2, and rename the vertices in P2 as  $v_i - 1 + m$  in order to fit the condition of consecutive vertices, and then  $P(n)$  is true for the whole convex polygon.

Finally, we have proved  $P(n)$  for both two cases.  $\square$