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Mathematical Induction
* Theorem: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, sum of 1st odd numbers $= n^2$
 $P(n)$ $1 + 3 + 5 + \dots (2n-1) = n^2$

$$n=0$$

$$0 = 0^2$$

$$n=1 \quad 1 = 1^2$$

$$n=2 \quad 1+3 = 2^2$$

Induction: Base case ($n=0$ or $n=1$)

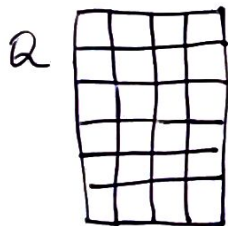
Inductive hypothesis: assume $P(k)$ is true

Inductive step: prove that $P(k) \Rightarrow P(k+1)$
 $\forall k$

* IH: $1 + 3 + 5 + \dots (2k-1) = k^2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1+3+\dots+(2k+1)}{= \underline{k^2} + (2k+1)}$$

By induction $P(n) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$




chocolate bar

3 x 5 pieces

How many cuts to separate all 15?

m pieces across n along
 $m \times n$ bar

e.g.  1×2 : 1 cut

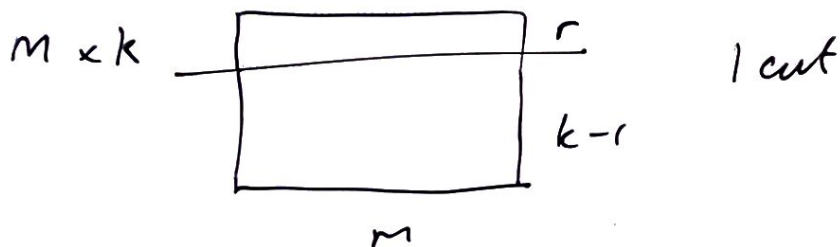
  3 cuts

Theorem you break $mn-1$ times

Proof Induction on n (STRONG)

Base case $n=1$
 $m \times 1 = m \times 1 - 1$ cuts

suppose it's true for all $m \times n$ bars whenever $n < k$



$m \times r$ pieces $mr-1$ cuts

$m(k-r)$ pieces $m(k-r)$ cuts

assuming true for smaller numbers $n < k$

$$1 + mr - 1 + m(k-r) - mr - 1 = mk - 1$$

so IH \Rightarrow true for $n=k$ also so true for $\forall n$

Induction $(p(0), p(k) \Rightarrow p(k+1)) \Rightarrow p(n) \forall n$

Strong induction $(p(0), p(n \vee n < k \Rightarrow p(k)) \Rightarrow p(n) \forall n$

or $(p(0)p(1)p(k), p(k+1) \Rightarrow p(k+2)) \Rightarrow p(n) \forall n$
base case

eg F_n 0 1 1 2 3 5 8 13

n 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

$$F_0 = 0 \quad F_1 = 1 \quad F_{n+2} = F_n + F_{n+1}$$

Theorem $F_n^2 + F_{n+1}^2 = F_{2n+1} \quad \forall n$

Theorem $F_n F_m + F_{n+1} F_{m+1} = F_{m+n+1} \quad \forall n, m \in \mathbb{N} \quad (m \geq n)$