

# Discrete Mathematics with Applications I

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## Descending Chains in Numbers

Consider numbers with the usual strict-order  $<$   
and consider descending chains, like  $17 > 12 > 9 > 8 > 3 > \dots$

**Are there infinite descending chains in**

- $\mathbb{Z}$  ?
- $\mathbb{N}$  ?
- $\mathbb{R}$  ?
- $\mathbb{R}^+$  ?
- $\mathbb{Q}^+$  ?
- $\{k, n : \mathbb{Q} \mid k \in \mathbb{N} \ni n \bullet n + \frac{k}{k+1}\}$  ?
- $\mathbb{C}$  ?

Relations with no infinite descending chains are **well-founded**.

## Plan for Today

- Induction, Induction Principles
- Relational Semantics of Imperative Programs

### Idea Behind Induction

- Goal: prove  $(\forall x : U \bullet P x)$  for some property  $P : U \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$   
(With  $\neg occurs('x', 'P')$ , or,  $P$  is **not** a metavariable.)
- Situation: Elements of  $U$  are related via  $>$  with “simpler” elements (constituents, predecessors, parts, ...)
- If for every  $x : U$  there is a proof that  

$$\text{if } P y \text{ for all predecessors } y \text{ of } x, \text{ then } P x,$$
then for every  $z : U$  with  $\neg(P z)$ :
  - there is a predecessor  $u$  of  $z$  with  $\neg(P u)$  (by contraposition and generalised De Morgan)
  - there is an infinite  $>$  chain (of elements  $c$  with  $\neg(P c)$ ) starting at  $z$ .
- If there are no infinite  $>$  chains in  $U$ ,  
that is, **if  $<$  is well-founded**, then:

**Theorem (12.19) Mathematical induction over  $(U, <)$ :**

$$(\forall x \bullet P x) \equiv (\forall x \bullet (\forall y \mid y < x \bullet P y) \Rightarrow P x)$$

### Mathematical Induction in $\mathbb{N}$

Consider  $\_succ\_ : \mathbb{N} \leftrightarrow \mathbb{N}$  with  $y \text{ succ } x \equiv \text{suc } y = x$

**Mathematical induction over  $(\mathbb{N}, \text{succ})$ :**

$$\begin{aligned} & (\forall x : \mathbb{N} \bullet P x) \\ = & \langle (12.19) \text{ Math. induction; Def. succ} \rangle \\ & (\forall x : \mathbb{N} \bullet (\forall y : \mathbb{N} \mid \text{suc } y = x \bullet P y) \Rightarrow P x) \\ = & \langle (8.18) \text{ Range split, with } true \equiv x = 0 \vee x > 0 \rangle \\ & (\forall x : \mathbb{N} \mid x = 0 \bullet (\forall y : \mathbb{N} \mid \text{suc } y = x \bullet P y) \Rightarrow P x) \wedge \\ & (\forall x : \mathbb{N} \mid x > 0 \bullet (\forall y : \mathbb{N} \mid \text{suc } y = x \bullet P y) \Rightarrow P x) \\ = & \langle (8.14) \text{ One-point rule; (8.22) Change of dummy} \rangle \\ & ((\forall y : \mathbb{N} \mid \text{suc } y = 0 \bullet P y) \Rightarrow P 0) \wedge \\ & (\forall z : \mathbb{N} \bullet (\forall y : \mathbb{N} \mid \text{suc } y = \text{suc } z \bullet P y) \Rightarrow P (\text{suc } z)) \\ = & \left\langle \begin{array}{l} (8.13) \text{ Empty range, with } \text{suc } y = 0 \equiv false; \\ \text{Cancellation of suc, (8.14) One-point rule for } \forall \end{array} \right\rangle \\ & P 0 \wedge (\forall z : \mathbb{N} \bullet P z \Rightarrow P (\text{suc } z)) \end{aligned}$$

### Mathematical Induction in $\mathbb{N}$ (ctd.)

**Mathematical induction over  $(\mathbb{N}, \text{succ})$ :**

$$(\forall x : \mathbb{N} \bullet P x) \equiv P 0 \wedge (\forall z : \mathbb{N} \bullet P z \Rightarrow P (\text{suc } z))$$

$$(\forall x : \mathbb{N} \bullet P x) \equiv P 0 \wedge (\forall z : \mathbb{N} \bullet P z \Rightarrow P (z + 1))$$

Absence of infinite  $\text{succ}$  chains is due to the **inductive definition of  $\mathbb{N}$  with constructors 0 and  $\text{succ}$** : “...and nothing else is a natural number.”

**Mathematical induction over  $(\mathbb{N}, <)$  “Complete induction over  $\mathbb{N}$ ”:**

$$(\forall x : \mathbb{N} \bullet P x) \equiv (\forall x : \mathbb{N} \bullet (\forall y : \mathbb{N} \mid y < x \bullet P y) \Rightarrow P x)$$

Complete induction gives you a **stronger induction hypothesis** for non-zero  $x$  — some proofs become easier.

### Example for Complete Induction in $\mathbb{N}$

**Mathematical induction over  $(\mathbb{N}, <)$  “Complete induction over  $\mathbb{N}$ ”:**

$$(\forall x : \mathbb{N} \bullet P x) \equiv (\forall x : \mathbb{N} \bullet (\forall y : \mathbb{N} \mid y < x \bullet P y) \Rightarrow P x)$$

**Theorem:** Every natural number greater than 1 is a product of (one or more) prime numbers.

**Formalisation:**  $\forall n : \mathbb{N} \bullet 1 < n \Rightarrow (\exists B : \text{Bag } \mathbb{N} \mid (\forall p \mid p \in B \bullet \text{isPrime } p) \bullet \text{bagProd } B = n)$

**Proof:**

Using “Complete induction”:

For any  $n$ :

Assuming  $\forall m \mid m < n \bullet 1 < m \Rightarrow (\exists B : \text{Bag } \mathbb{N} \mid (\forall p \mid p \in B \bullet \text{isPrime } p) \bullet \text{bagProd } B = m)$ :

Assuming  $1 < n$ :

By cases:  $\text{isPrime } n$ ,  $\neg(\text{isPrime } n)$

**Completeness:** By “Excluded middle”

Case  $\text{isPrime } n$ :

... “ $\exists$ -Introduction”:  $B := \{n\}$  ...

Case  $\neg(\text{isPrime } n)$ :

... then  $n = n_1 \cdot n_2$  with  $n_1 < n > n_2$

... with witness:  $\text{bagProd } B_1 = n_1$  and  $\text{bagProd } B_2 = n_2$

... then  $\text{bagProd } (B_1 \cup B_2) = n$

q.e.d.

### Mathematical Induction on Sequences

**Cons induction: Mathematical induction over  $(\text{Seq } A, <)$  where**

$$< := \{x : A; xs, ys : \text{Seq } A \mid x \triangleleft xs = ys \bullet \langle xs, ys \rangle\}$$

$$(\forall xs : \text{Seq } A \bullet P xs) \equiv P \epsilon \wedge (\forall xs : \text{Seq } A \mid P xs \bullet (\forall x : A \bullet P(x \triangleleft xs)))$$

**Snoc induction: Mathematical induction over  $(\text{Seq } A, <)$  where**

$$< := \{x : A; xs, ys : \text{Seq } A \mid xs \triangleright x = ys \bullet \langle xs, ys \rangle\}$$

$$(\forall xs : \text{Seq } A \bullet P xs) \equiv P \epsilon \wedge (\forall xs : \text{Seq } A \mid P xs \bullet (\forall x : A \bullet P(xs \triangleright x)))$$

**Strict prefix induction: Mathematical induction over  $(\text{Seq } A, <)$  where**

$$< := \{us, xs, ys : \text{Seq } A \mid us \neq \epsilon \wedge xs \sim us = ys \bullet \langle xs, ys \rangle\}$$

$$(\forall xs : \text{Seq } A \bullet P xs) \equiv (\forall xs : \text{Seq } A \bullet (\forall ys : \text{Seq } A \mid ys < xs \bullet P ys) \Rightarrow P xs)$$

**Different induction hypotheses** make certain proofs easier.

### Structural Induction

**Structural induction** is mathematical induction over, e.g.,

- **finite sequences** with the strict suffix relation
- **expressions** with the direct constituent relation
- **propositional formulae** with the strict subformula relation
- **trees** with the appropriate strict subtree relation
- **proofs** with appropriate strict sub-proof relation
- **programs** with appropriate strict sub-program relation
- ...

## Expressions as Inductive Datatype

### Induction Principles

$$\begin{aligned}
 P[xs := \epsilon] &\Rightarrow (\forall xs : \text{Seq } A \mid P \bullet (\forall x : A \bullet P[xs := x \triangleleft xs])) \\
 &\Rightarrow (\forall xs : \text{Seq } A \bullet P) \\
 P[m := 0] &\Rightarrow (\forall m : \mathbb{N} \mid P \bullet P[m := \text{succ } m]) \Rightarrow (\forall m : \mathbb{N} \bullet P)
 \end{aligned}$$

- Induction principles are just certain kinds of formulae
- They can be introduced as axioms, or proven as theorems
- Using induction principles makes you independent from the hard-coded induction principles underlying “By induction”

Axiom “Induction over sequences”:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &P[xs = \epsilon] \\
 &\Rightarrow (\forall xs : \text{Seq } A \mid P \bullet (\forall x : A \bullet P[xs = x \triangleleft xs])) \\
 &\Rightarrow (\forall xs : \text{Seq } A \bullet P)
 \end{aligned}$$

Axiom “Induction over  $\mathbb{N}$ ”:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &P[n = 0] \\
 &\Rightarrow (\forall n : \mathbb{N} \mid P \bullet P[n = \text{S } n]) \\
 &\Rightarrow \forall n : \mathbb{N} \bullet P
 \end{aligned}$$

### The “While” Rule — Induction for Partial Correctness

$$P[m := 0] \Rightarrow (\forall m : \mathbb{N} \mid P \bullet P[m := \text{succ } m]) \Rightarrow (\forall m : \mathbb{N} \bullet P)$$

$$\frac{\vdash B \wedge Q \Rightarrow \{ C \} Q}{\vdash Q \Rightarrow \{ \text{while } B \text{ do } C \text{ od } \} \neg B \wedge Q}$$

## Relational Semantics of Imperative Programs

- Imperative programs, such as `Cmd`, transform a `State` that assigns values to variables.
- Program execution induces a **state transformation relation**.

Axiom "Definition of `State`":  $\text{State} = \text{Var} \rightarrow \text{Value}$   
 Declaration:  $\text{eval}: \text{State} \rightarrow \text{ExprV} \rightarrow \text{Value}$   
 Declaration:  $\text{sat}: \text{ExprB} \rightarrow \text{set State}$

Declaration:  $\llbracket \_ \rrbracket : \text{Cmd} \rightarrow (\text{State} \leftrightarrow \text{State})$

Axiom "Semantics of `;`":  $\llbracket C_1 ; C_2 \rrbracket = \llbracket C_1 \rrbracket ; \llbracket C_2 \rrbracket$

Axiom "Semantics of `if`":

$\llbracket \text{if } B \text{ then } C_1 \text{ else } C_2 \text{ fi} \rrbracket = (\text{sat } B \triangleleft \llbracket C_1 \rrbracket) \cup (\text{sat } B \triangleleft \llbracket C_2 \rrbracket)$

Axiom "Semantics of `while`":

$\llbracket \text{while } B \text{ do } C \text{ od} \rrbracket = (\text{sat } B \triangleleft \llbracket C \rrbracket) * \triangleright \text{sat } B$

Theorem "Partial Correctness":  $P \Rightarrow \{ C \} Q \equiv \llbracket C \rrbracket (\text{sat } P) \subseteq \text{sat } Q$

Informal sketch