

Today:

Ken

5.3 Mathematical Induction II

5.4 Strong Mathematical Induction

Last time:

5.2 Mathematical Induction I

5.3 Mathematical Induction II

#3 Stamps are sold in packages containing either 5 stamps or 8 stamps.

- a) Show that a person can obtain 5, 8, 10, 13, 15, 16, 20, 21, 24, or 25 stamps by buying a collection of 5-stamp packages and 8-stamp packages.
- b) Use mathematical induction to show that any quantity of at least 28 stamps can be obtained by buying a collection of 5-stamp packages and 8-stamp packages.

④ Show that a person can obtain  
 5, 8, 10, 13, 15, 16, 20, 21, 24, or 25 stamps  
 by buying a collection of 5-stamp  
 packages and 8-stamp packages.

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 5 = 5(1) & 15 = 5(3) & 24 = 8(3) \\
 8 = 8(1) & 16 = 8(2) & 25 = 5(5) \\
 10 = 5(2) & 20 = 5(4) & \\
 13 = 5(1) + 8(1) & 21 = 5(1) + 8(2) &
 \end{array}$$

⑤ Let  $P(n)$  be the statement  
 $n \geq 28$  stamps can be obtained  
 using 5- or 8-stamp packages.

Suppose  $P(n)$  for  $n \geq 28$ .

Goal: Show  $P(n+1)$ .

$\geq 28$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3(5) + 0(8) &= 15 < 28 \\
 2(8) &= 16
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3(5) + 1(8) &< 28 \\
 2(8) &= 16
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3(5) + 2(8) &= 31 \\
 2(8) &= 16
 \end{aligned}$$

$$3(8) = 24 \quad 4(8) \text{ and larger?}$$

$$5(5) = 25$$

If there are no 8-stamp packages,  
one 8-stamp package, or two 8-stamp packages,  
then there are at least three 5-stamp  
packages and replace those three packages  
with two 8-stamp packages to obtain +1  
more stamp.

If there are three 8-stamp packages,  
then we replace those three packages,  
with five 5-stamp packages to  
obtain exactly one more stamp.

Otherwise, if there are four or more  
8 stamp packages, then via induction  
hypothesis,  $n \geq 28$  stamps can be obtained.  
So  $P(n+1)$  is true.

### Proposition 5.3.1

For every integer  $n \geq 8$ ,  $n\text{¢}$  can be obtained using 3¢ and 5¢ coins.

Let  $P(n)$  be the statement  
 $n\text{¢}$  can be obtained using  
3¢ and 5¢ coins.

① Base case:  $P(8)$

8¢ can be obtained with one  
3¢ coin & one 5¢ coin.

② Suppose  $P(n)$  is true for  $n \geq 8$ .

So we can obtain  $n\text{¢}$  with  
3¢ and 5¢ coins.

Either we have a 5¢ coin or  
not.

Suppose we have a 5¢ coin.  
How do we obtain exactly one  
more cent?

Answer: replace that 5¢ coin with two 3¢ coins to 6¢, exactly one more cent.

Suppose we have no 5¢ coins.

Since we have  $n \geq 8$  cents, we must have at least three 3¢ coins. How do we obtain exactly one more cent? Answer:

Replace three 3¢ coins with two 5¢ coins.

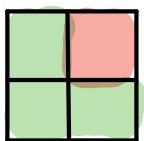
### Theorem 5.3.4

Covering a Board with Trominoes

For any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , if one square is removed from a  $2^n \times 2^n$  checkerboard, the remaining squares can be completely covered by L-shaped trominoes.

Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , i.e.  $n \geq 1$ .

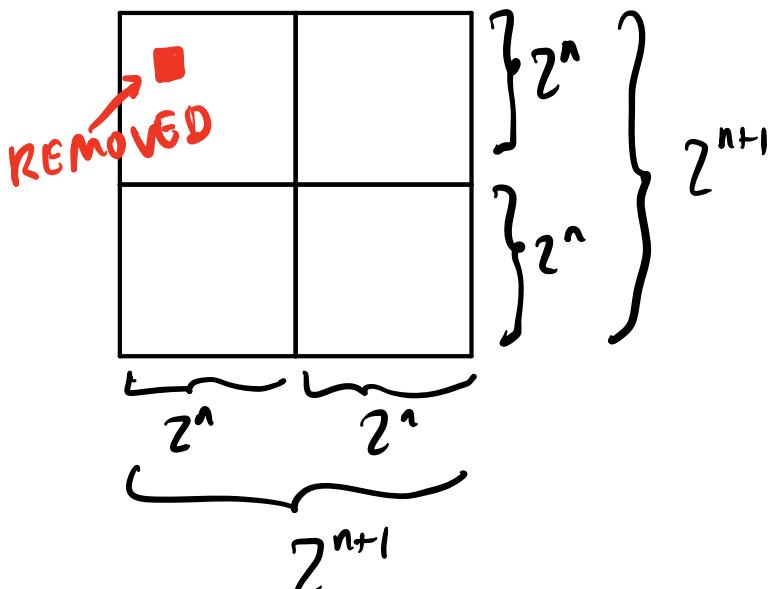
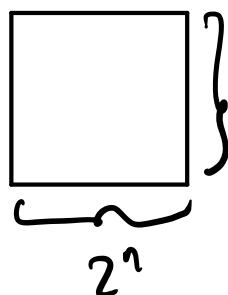
Let  $P(n)$  be the statement: a  $2^n \times 2^n$  checkerboard with one square removed can be covered by L-shaped dominoes.



Base case:  $n=1$ ,  $2 \times 2$  checkerboard with 1 square removed and L-shape domino covering.

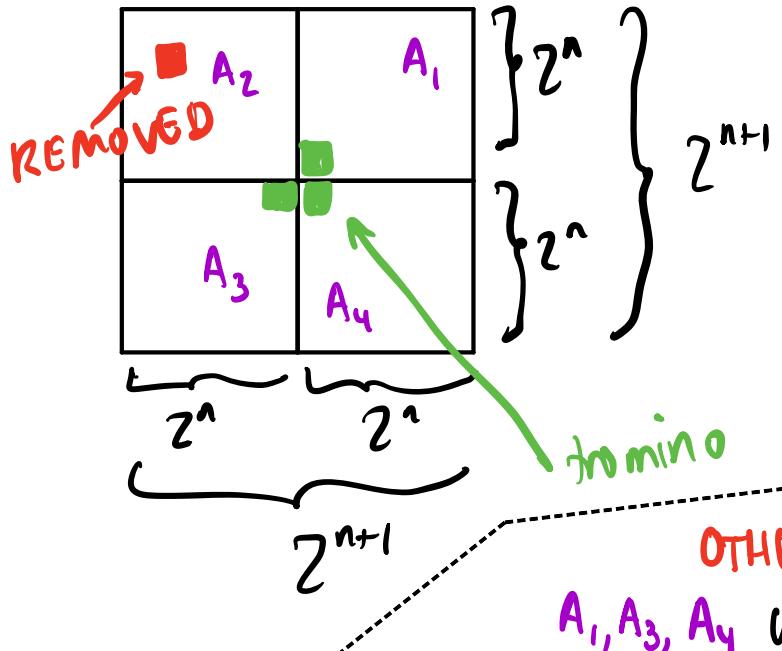
① Suppose  $P(n)$  for  $n \geq 1$ .

Goal: Show  $2^{n+1} \times 2^{n+1}$  checkerboard can be covered with the dominoes while 1 square is removed.



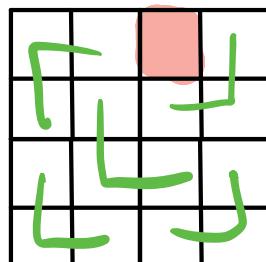
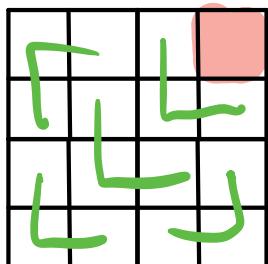
Consider the  $2^{n+1} \times 2^{n+1}$  checkerboard

such that the size of the  $2^{n+1} \times 2^{n+1}$  board is quadruple the  $2^n \times 2^n$  board, as sketched above. Remove exactly one square from the  $2^{n+1} \times 2^{n+1}$  board.

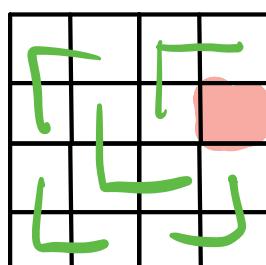
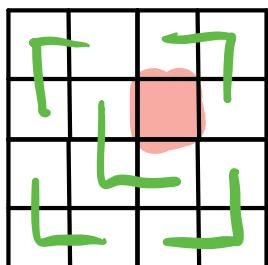


Board  $A_2$  is  $2^n \times 2^n$  with one square removed, so covered by trominoes via induction hypothesis. The remaining boards  $A_1, A_3$ , and  $A_4$  form a tromino where a square from each might OTHERWISE be removed, also  $A_1, A_3, A_4$  covered by induction hypothesis.

e.g.



$$2^2 \times 2^2 \\ 4 \times 4$$



5.4

## Strong Mathematical Induction and the Well-Ordering Principle for the Integers

### Principle of Strong Mathematical Induction

Let  $P(n)$  be a property that is defined for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  be fixed integers such that  $a \leq b$ . Suppose the two statements are true:

①  $P(a), P(a+1), \dots, P(b)$  are all true

(base case, basis step)

② for every integer  $k \geq b$ , if  $P(i)$  is true for all  $i \in \{a, \dots, k\}$  then

$P(k+1)$  is true

(induction hypothesis, inductive step)

Then the statement

for every integer  $n \geq a$ ,  $P(n)$

is true.

Another way to state the inductive hypothesis is to say that

$P(a), P(a+1), \dots, P(k)$  are all true.

# Proving a Property of a Sequence

## with Strong Induction

#2

Suppose  $\{b_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence such that  $b_1 = 4$ ,  $b_2 = 12$ , and  $b_k = b_{k-1} + b_{k-2}$  for all  $k \geq 3$ .

Prove that  $b_n$  is divisible by 4 for all  $n \geq 1$ .

---

$P(n)$  is property that  $4 | b_n$  for  $n \geq 1$ .

① Base case

$$b_1 = 4, \quad 4 | b_1 \text{ because } 4(1) = 4$$

$$b_2 = 12, \quad 4 | b_2 \text{ because } 4(3) = 12$$

② to be continued next time