MTH 447: Lecture 1

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Natural number Axioms (Peano Axioms):

- 1. $1 \in \mathbb{N}$
- 2. If $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $n+1 \in \mathbb{N}$
- 3. 1 is not the successor of any number in \mathbb{N}
- 4. If m and n have the same successor, then m = n
- 5. If $x \subseteq N$ such that
- 6. (a) $1 \in X$
 - (b) if $n \in X$ and $n + 1 \in X$

Then $X = \mathbb{N}$. This is the Principle of Induction.

Definition 0.1. Induction. Given some property P(n), then if P(1) is true and $P(n) \implies P(n+1)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, P(k).