



Pre-lecture Video

\mathbb{N} = set of natural numbers = $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

Principle of Simple Induction (PSI)

We can prove $P(n)$ holds for $n \geq b$ by proving:

Basis: $P(b)$

Induction Step: For all $n \geq b$, if $P(n)$, then $P(n+1)$

Ex: ex 1.7, pg 30

$P(n)$: exact postage of n cents can be made using only 4-cent and 7-cent stamps.

Equivalent predicate:

$Q(n)$: there exists $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $4k + 7l = n$

Prove $\forall n \geq 18, Q(n)$.

Proof:

Basis: Let $n = 18$

Let $k = 1, l = 2$. Then $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$
and $4k + 7l = 4 \cdot 1 + 7 \cdot 2 = 18 = n$ as wanted.

Induction Step: Let $n \geq 18$.

Suppose $Q(n)$ **[I.H.]**

i.e. there are $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $4k + 7l = n$

WTP: $Q(n+1)$ i.e. $\exists k', l' \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. $4k' + 7l' = n+1$

Consider 2 cases: $l > 0$ and $l = 0$

Case 1: Suppose $l > 0$

Then let $k' = k + 2, l' = l - 1$

Then $l' \geq 0$, so $l' \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Also, } 4k' + 7l' &= 4(k+2) + 7(l-1) \\ &= 4k + 8 + 7l - 7 \\ &= 4k + 7l + 1 \\ &= n+1 \quad \text{[I.H.]}\end{aligned}$$

Proof (continued...):

Case 2: Suppose $l = 0$

Since $n \geq 18$, we have

$$\stackrel{[I.H.]}{18 \leq n} = 4k + \underbrace{7l}_0 = 4k$$

Thus $k \geq 5$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } k' &= k - 5 \geq 0 \\ l' &= l + 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } 4k' + 7l' &= 4(k - 5) + 7(l + 3) \\ &= 4k - 20 + 7l + 21 \\ &= 4k + 7l + 1 \\ &= n + 1 \quad [I.H.] \end{aligned}$$

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Principle of Complete Induction (PCI)

We can prove $P(n)$ for all $n \geq b$ by proving

Basis: $P(b), P(b+1), \dots, P(b+k-1)$ $\xleftarrow{k \text{ base cases}}$

I.S.: For $n \geq b+k$, if $P(j)$ holds whenever $b \leq j \leq n$, then $P(n)$.

Ex: ex 1.12 pg 40

$$Q(n): \exists k, l \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } 4k + 7l = n$$

Use PCI to prove $\forall n \geq 18, Q(n)$

Base case:

For $n = 18$, let $k = 1, l = 2$. Then $4k + 7l = n$ as wanted.

For $n = 19$, $k = 3, l = 1$

For $n = 20$, $k = 5, l = 0$

For $n = 21$, $k = 0, l = 3$

I.S.: Let $n \geq 22$

Suppose $Q(j)$ holds whenever $18 \leq j \leq n$ [I.H.]

WTP: $Q(n)$ holds i.e. $\exists k', l' \text{ s.t. } 4k' + 7l' = n$

Since $n \geq 22$, we have $18 \leq n - 4 < n$

By I.H., $Q(n-4)$ holds i.e. $\exists k, l \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } 4k + 7l = n - 4$

Let $k' = k + 1, l' = l$

$$\text{Then } 4k' + 7l' = 4(k + 1) + 7l = 4k + 7l + 4 = n - 4 + 4 \quad [I.H.]$$

$= n$

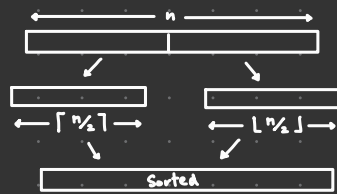
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Principle of Well-Ordering (PWO)

Every non-empty subset of \mathbb{N} has a minimum element.

Recurrences (CH3) - Recursively / inductively defined functions

e.g. Mergesort



Let $f(n)$ be the number of item assignments needed for sorting n items with mergesort.

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n=1, \\ f(\lceil n/2 \rceil) + f(\lfloor n/2 \rfloor) + 2n & \text{if } n>1 \end{cases}$$

Unwinding Recurrences

Let n be a large power of 2, i.e. $n=2^k$ for some large $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Since $n=2^k$ is even

$$f(n) = 2f\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 2n \quad \text{1st iteration}$$

$$= 2(2f\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 2\frac{n}{2}) + 2n \quad \text{2nd iteration}$$

$$= 4f\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 4n$$

$$= 4[2f\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + 2\left(\frac{n}{4}\right)] + 4n$$

$$= 8f\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + 6n \quad \text{3rd iteration}$$

\vdots

$$= 2^i f\left(\frac{n}{2^i}\right) + 2in \quad \text{ith iteration}$$

\vdots

$$= 2^k f\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right) + 2kn \quad \text{let } i=k$$

$$= 2^k f\left(\frac{n}{n}\right) + 2kn \quad \text{Since } 2^k = n$$

$$= 2^k f(1) + 2kn \quad f(1) = 0$$

$$= 2kn$$

$$= 2n \cdot \log_2 n$$

$$\approx n \cdot \log n \quad \# \text{ of assignments}$$

Structural Induction (CH4)

2 uses:

↳ Define sets

↳ Prove properties of all elements in a set defined by structural induction

Ex: ex 4.1 pg 97

Define the set of all well-formed, fully parenthesized algebraic expressions with variables x, y, z and operators $+, -, \times, \div$.

e.g. $x, (x+y), ((y-z) \times (z-x)) + x$

Remark:

$$\Sigma = \{ \underbrace{x, y, z}_{\text{variables}}, \underbrace{+, -, \times, \div}_{\text{operators}}, \underbrace{(\,,\,)}_{\text{parentheses}} \}$$

$$\mathcal{E} \subseteq \Sigma^*$$

finite strings consisting of symbols from Σ

Definition: Let \mathcal{E} be the smallest set s.t.

Base cases: $x, y, z \in \mathcal{E}$

Not variable x , but a string with the x in \mathcal{E} .

I.S.: If $e_1, e_2 \in \mathcal{E}$, then $(e_1 + e_2), (e_1 - e_2), (e_1 \times e_2), (e_1 \div e_2) \in \mathcal{E}$

Ex: ex 4.2 pg 100

For a string $e \in \Sigma^*$, we define

$vr(e)$ to the # of occurrences of variables in e .

$op(e)$ to the # of occurrences of operators in e .

For $e \in \Sigma^*$, we define a predicate

$$P(e) : vr(e) = op(e) + 1$$

Proof: Use structural induction to prove that $P(e)$ holds for $e \in \mathcal{E}$

Base cases: 3 cases: $e = x, e = y, e = z$

For $e = x$, $vr(e) = 1, op(e) = 0$

$$\therefore vr(e) = op(e) + 1$$

Similarly for $e = y, e = z$.

I.S.: Let $e_1, e_2 \in \mathcal{E}$

Suppose $P(e_1), P(e_2)$ [I.H.]

i.e. $vr(e_1) = op(e_1) + 1$ and $vr(e_2) = op(e_2) + 1$

WTP: $P(e)$ holds for $e = (e_1 + e_2), e = (e_1 - e_2), e = (e_1 \times e_2), e = (e_1 \div e_2)$

In each case, we have

$$vr(e) = vr(e_1) + vr(e_2)$$

$$op(e) = op(e_1) + op(e_2) + 1$$

Proof (continued...):

I.S (continued...):

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Thus } vr(e) &= vr(e_1) + vr(e_2) \\ &= (op(e_1) + 1) + (op(e_2) + 1) \quad [\text{I.H.}] \\ &= (op(e_1) + op(e_2)) + 2 \\ &= (op(e) - 1) + 2 \\ &= op(e) + 1.\end{aligned}$$

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Ex:

Let S be the smallest set s.t.

Base Case: $0 \in S$

I.S.: if $n \in S$, then $n+1 \in S$

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1.

1. [10 marks] Consider the following recurrence defining a function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$.

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } 0 \leq n \leq 2; \\ f(n-1) + f(n-2) + f(n-3) & \text{if } n > 2. \end{cases}$$

Identify all the faults in the following *bad* proof that proves $f(n) < 2^n$, for every integer $n \geq 2$. For each fault, circle it and briefly explain what is wrong.

PROOF:

We define a predicate P on integers greater than or equal to 2.

$P(n): f(n) < 2^n$, for every integer $n \geq 2$. *Quantifying predicate variable*

BASIS: Let $n = 2$. *More base cases*

Then by definition of f , $f(2) = 2$.

Since $2 < 2^2$, therefore $f(n)$ holds as wanted.

INDUCTION STEP: Let $n > 2$. *n > 2*

Suppose $P(j)$ holds whenever $2 \leq j < n$. [IH]

WTP: $P(n)$ holds.

$$\begin{array}{rcl} f(n) & < & 2^n \\ f(n-1) + f(n-2) + f(n-3) & < & 2^n \quad [\text{definition of } f] \\ 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-2} + 2^{n-3} & < & 2^n \quad [\text{by IH}] \\ \frac{7}{8} 2^n & < & 2^n \quad [\text{factor out } 2^n] \\ \frac{7}{8} & < & 1 \quad [\text{divide by } 2^n] \end{array}$$

no stacking *started with WTP statement*

Therefore $f(n) < 2^n$ as wanted.

By Principle of Complete Induction, $f(n) < 2^n$ for every integer $n \geq 2$. \square

2a.

$$a_n = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } n=0; \\ 16 & \text{if } n=1; \\ 7a_{n-2} + 6a_{n-1} + 3^n & \text{if } n>1; \end{cases}$$

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n): a_n \leq 3 \cdot 7^n$$

Base case: $n=0, n=1$

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 &= 7a_0 + 6a_1 + 3^2 \\ &= 7 \cdot 2 + 6 \cdot 16 + 9 = 119 \\ &\leq 3 \cdot 7^2 \\ &= 147 \end{aligned}$$

Let $n > 1$

I.S.: Assume $P(n)$ holds for $0 \leq j < n$ [I.H.]

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= 7a_{n-2} + 6a_{n-1} + 3^n \\ &\leq 7(3 \cdot 7^{n-2}) + 6(3 \cdot 7^{n-1}) + 3^n \quad [\text{I.H.}] \quad 0 \leq n-2, n-1 < n \\ &= 21 \cdot \frac{7^n}{49} + 18 \cdot \frac{7^n}{7} + 3^n \\ &= \frac{3}{7} \cdot 7^n + \frac{18}{7} \cdot 7^n + 3^n \\ &= 7^n \left(\frac{3+18}{7} \right) + 3^n \\ &= 3 \cdot 7^n + 3^n \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore a_n \leq 3 \cdot 7^n + 3^n$$

\therefore False!

2b. $Q(n): a_n \leq 3 \cdot 7^n - 3^n$