

Assignment 2

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Part A) Problems and Proofs (6 points)

Rewrite the following claim as a universal proposition in symbolic form:

"The algorithm bruteForceSearch() is a linear-time algorithm".

and use the strategy of generalizing from generic particular to prove that the claim is correct. For a detailed explanation of the claim and related concepts in algorithm analysis, see the figure on the next page.

Generalizing:

Let $A(x)$: x is an algorithm
 $B(x)$: x is brute ForceSearch()
 $L(x)$: x is a linear algorithm.

Then the claim can be rewritten as

$$(\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}), (A(x) \wedge B(x)) \Rightarrow L(x)$$

Generic particular : brute Force Search() (\star)

From Figure 1, It shows that (\star) Iterates over array values [] until it finds the value. So, time complexity is $O(n)$ where n is size of array, given worst case, it will still be $O(n)$ where value is at the last element of values []. Therefore, it is a Linear - time algorithm.

$$\therefore (A(x) \wedge B(x)) \Rightarrow L(x) \quad \square$$

Part B) Proof by Cases (6 points)

Use the method of proof by cases to prove the following statement

$$\forall n \geq 3, n^2 - 3n + 3 \text{ is odd.}$$

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public int bruteForceSearch(int[] values, int value){  
    int numOfSteps = 0;  
    boolean found = false;  
  
    while( !found && numOfSteps < values.size()){  
        numOfSteps++;  
        if(values[numOfSteps] == value) found = true;  
    }  
  
    return numOfSteps;  
}
```

Figure 1

Proof by cases.

Case 1: $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\text{odd}} : n \geq 3$,

Then, $n = 2k + 1$.

We have, $(2k+1)^2 - 3(2k+1) + 3 \quad \text{for } k \geq 3$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4k^2 + 4k + 1 - 6k - 3 + 3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4k^2 - 2k + 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(\underbrace{2k^2 - k}_{\in \mathbb{Z}}) + 1 \quad \square$$

Case 2: Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\text{even}} : n \geq 3$,

Then, by def, $n = 2k$.

$$\Rightarrow (2k)^2 - 3(2k) + 3 \quad \text{for } k \geq 3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4k^2 - 6k + 3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2(2k^2 - 3k) + 3$$

$$\in \mathbb{Z}.$$

\therefore The statement in Part B is true by case 1 & 2,
for $\forall n \geq 3$. \square

4.52 Let n and m be integers. If nm is not evenly divisible by 3, then neither n nor m is evenly divisible by 3. (In fact, the converse is true too, but you don't have to prove it.)

Proof by contra positive

" n and m is evenly divisible by 3 $\Rightarrow nm$ is divisible by 3."

Let $(n, m) \in \mathbb{R}$,

then by def, $n = 3k$ and $m = 3l$. ($k \in \mathbb{Z}$)

$$nm = 3k \cdot 3l = (3k)^2 = 9k^2 = 3(\underbrace{3k^2}_{\in \mathbb{Z}})$$

$\therefore (n \in (3k)) \wedge (m \in (3l)) \Rightarrow (nm) \in (3k)$ where
 $k, l \in \mathbb{Z}$. \square

4.56 Let x, y be positive real numbers. If $x^2 - y^2 = 1$, then x or y (or both) is not an integer.

Proof by contradiction

Let's assume $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : x^2 - y^2 = 1$ (for the sake of contradiction)

$$\Rightarrow (x+y)(x-y) = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x+y) = 1 \wedge (x-y) = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x = 1+y) \wedge (x = 1-y)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1-y = 1+y \Leftrightarrow 2y = 0 \Leftrightarrow y = 0 !!!$$

which is absurd because we assumed $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

\therefore The original claim is true b/c assuming $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

creates a contradiction \square

5.2 $\sum_{i=0}^n i^3 = \frac{n^4 + 2n^3 + n^2}{4}$

Proof by induction

Base Case: Let $S(n) = (S \cdot 2)$ where $n=0$.

$$S(n) = \sum_{i=0}^n i^3 = \frac{n^4 + 2n^3 + n^2}{4}$$

$$S(0) = \sum_{i=0}^0 i^3 = \frac{0^4 + 2 \cdot 0^3 + 0^2}{4}$$

$$0^3 = \frac{0}{4}$$

$$0 = 0 \Rightarrow LHS = RHS$$

Inductive Hypothesis: If $S(n)$ holds, then $S(n+1)$ will hold for some $n \geq 0$.

Inductive Step: $n = n+1$

$$S(n+1) = \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} i^3 = \frac{(n+1)^4 + 2(n+1)^3 + (n+1)^2}{4}$$

By Ind hypo, LHS =

$$\sum_{i=0}^n i^3 + (n+1)^3 = \frac{n^4 + 2n^3 + n^2 + (n+1)^3}{4}$$

Now, we simplify RHS

$$\frac{(n+1)^4 + 2(n+1)^3 + (n+1)^2}{4}$$

$$= \frac{n^4 + (4n^3 + 6n^2 + 4n + 1) + 2n^3 + 6n^2 + 6n + 2 + n^2 + 2n + 1}{4}$$

$$= n^4 + 6n^3 + 13n^2 + 12n + 4$$

$$= \frac{n^4 + 2n^3 + n^2}{4} + \frac{4n^3 + 12n^2 + 4}{4}$$

$$= \frac{n^4 + 2n^3 + n^2}{4} + n^3 + 6n^2 + 1$$

$$= \frac{n^4 + 2n^3 + n^2}{4} + (n+1)^3$$

$$\text{RHS} = \text{LHS}$$

∴ By Principle of Math Induction, we have proven that
S(n) is true for some $n \geq 0$. \square