

Notes for 1/31/17

An inductive proof of a statement of the form $\forall \in N, P(n)$ goes as follows:

1. Prove $P(1)$. (This is usually pretty obvious)
2. prove that $\forall n, (P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1))$
 - (a) Let n be any natural number
 - (b) Assume $P(n)$ is true
 - (c) ...Juicy bits...
 - (d) Conclude $P(n+1)$ is true

claim 1 *The square of any odd number has a form $8k+1$ for some integer k .
Claim: (Case when the odd number is at least 3)*

Proof By Induction 1 $\forall n \in N \exists k : (2n+1)^2 = 8k+1$

We proceed by induction.

Base Case ($n=1$) Use $k=1$. Then $(2 \cdot 1 + 1)^2 = 9 = 8k + 1$

Induction step: Let n be a natural number. Assume $\exists k : (2n+1)^2 = 8k+1$.

(Scratch work)

$P(n) : \exists k : (2n+1)^2 = 8k+1$

$P(1) :$

$P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$

$P(n+1) : \exists l : (2(n+1)+1)^2 = 8l+1$

(End Scratchwork)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2(n+1)+1)^2 &= (2n+2+1)^2 \\
 &= ((2n+1)+2)^2 \\
 &= (2n+1)^2 + 4 + 4(2n+1) \\
 &= 8k+1 + 4(2n+1) \\
 &= 8k+1 + 4(2n+2) \\
 &= 8k+1 + 8(n+1) \\
 &= 8(k+n+1) + 1 \\
 &= 8l+1
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, through mathematical induction, the claim is true.

claim 2 *For any $n \in N$, $\frac{n^3}{3} + \frac{n^5}{5} + \frac{7n}{15}$ is an integer.*

Proof By Induction 2 NTS: $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{7}{15} = 1$

Inductive Step: Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ Assume $\frac{n^3}{3} + \frac{n^5}{5} + \frac{7n}{15}$ is an Integer.

WE'll show $\frac{(n+1)^3}{3} + \frac{(n+1)^5}{5} + \frac{7(n+1)}{15}$ is an integer.

$$+ 7n + 1 \frac{1}{15 = \frac{n^3}{3} + \frac{n^5}{5} + \frac{7n}{15} + n^2 + n + n^4 + 2n^3 + 2n^2 + n + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{7}{15}}$$

This is an Integer. By induction, this completes the proof.

claim 3 *Any finite collection of real numbers has a greatest element.*

For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, any set of exactly n real numbers has a greatest element.

Proof By Induction 3 (*By induction on the size of set n*)

Base case $n=1$. Let n be a set of exactly 1 real number.

Let a be the single element, then a is the greatest.

Inductive step. Assume that any set of exactly n distinct real numbers has a greatest element.

WE'll show: any collection of exactly $n+1$ distinct real numbers has a greatest element

Let B be a set of exactly $n+1$ distinct real numbers.

Let b be one of them. Let B' be B , but with b removed. Then B' has exactly n distinct elements.

So B' has a greatest element, $Aisha$.

Case: $b < Aisha$ $Aisha$ is greatest in B

Case: $Aisha < b$. b is greatest in B .