

Mathematical induction

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3 Steps

1. Test
2. Assume
3. Prove

Example 1

$$\sum_{k=1}^n 2k-1 = n^2 \text{ for } n \geq 1 \text{ (n odd nos)}$$

1. Test Base case

$$n=1 \quad 2(1)-1 = 1^2 \\ 1 = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

2. Assume that start is true

$$\sum_{k=1}^n 2k-1 = n^2 \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{1}$$

3. Prove for $n+1$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} (2k-1) = (n+1)^2 \quad \text{--- } \text{to prove}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} 2k-1 = 2(n)-1 + 2(n+1)-1 + \dots + 2(n+1)-1$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n (2k-1) + 2(n+1)-1$$

Using assumption

$$= n^2 + 2(n+1)-1$$

$$= n^2 + 2n + 1$$

$$= (n+1)^2$$

Proved

Example 2

$$\sum_{k=0}^n r^k = \frac{1-r^{n+1}}{1-r}$$

1. Test

$$\text{for } n=0, \quad \sum_{k=0}^0 r^0 = \frac{1-r^0}{1-r} \\ 1 = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

2. Assume

$$\sum_{k=0}^n r^k = \frac{1-r^{n+1}}{1-r} \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{1}$$

3. Prove for $n+1$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n+1} r^k = r^{n+1} + \sum_{k=0}^n r^k$$

Using $\textcircled{1}$

$$= r^{n+1} + \frac{1-r^{n+1}}{1-r}$$

$$= \frac{r^{n+1}-r^{n+2}+1-r^{n+1}}{1-r}$$

$$= \frac{1-r^{n+2}}{1-r}$$

Proved

Example 3

$n^3 - n$ is divisible by 5 \forall for all $n \geq 1$

1. Test

$$\text{for } n=0 \quad 0^3 - 0 \text{ is divisible } \checkmark \\ n=1 \quad 1^3 - 1 \text{ is divisible } \checkmark$$

2. Assume

$$n^3 - n \text{ is divisible } \text{--- } \textcircled{1}$$

3. Prove for $n+1$

$$(n+1)^3 - (n+1)$$

$$= n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n + 1 - n - 1$$

$$= (n^3 - n) + 3(n^2 + n)$$

Proved

Solving by Master theorem

$$1] T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^4$$

$$\log_2^2 = 1 < k = 4 \quad (\text{Case 3}) \\ T(n) = O(n^4)$$

$$2] T(n) = T(7n/10) + n$$

$$T(n) = O(n) \quad \log_{10}^1 < 1 \quad (\text{Case 3})$$

$$3] T(n) = 16T(n/4) + n^2$$

$$\log_4^2 = 2 = 2(k) \\ T(n) = O(n^2 \log n)$$

Either select n^k or $n^{\log_b k}$

or both (multiply with $\log n$)

Properties of log

$$\begin{aligned} 1) \log(ab) &= \log a + \log b \\ 2) \log\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) &= \log a - \log b \\ 3) \log a^b &= b \log a \\ 4) a^{\log_b c} &= b^{\log_a c} \\ 5) a^b = n \rightarrow b \log a &= \log n \rightarrow b = \log_n^a \end{aligned}$$

Reviewing Asymptotic Notations

1. Big-Oh $f(n) \leq c g(n)$ for all $n > 0$ $c > 0$

$$0 \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} < \infty \quad f(n) = O(g(n))$$

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2. Big-Theta $g(n) \leq f(n) = c_2 g(n)$ for all $n > 0$ $c_1, c_2 > 0$

Equivalence function $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$

3. Big-Omega $f(n) \geq c g(n)$ $n > 0$ $c > 0$

$$0 < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} \leq \infty \quad f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$$

Master theorem for Decreasing functions

$$T(n) = a \cdot T(n/b) + O(n^k)$$

$$1] a=1, \quad T(n) = O(n \cdot n^k)$$

$$2] a > 1, b \geq 1, \quad T(n) = O(a^{k/b} \cdot n^k)$$

$$3] a < 1, \quad T(n) = O(n^k)$$

Master theorem for Dividing functions

$$T(n) = aT(n/b) + \Theta(n^k \log^p n)$$

Amt of work done inside the recurrence

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Amt of work done by the recursion

we compare k & \log_b^a ,
↑ who will take over

$$> 1] \text{if } \log_b^a > k, \quad T(n) = O(n^{\log_b^a})$$

$$= 2] \text{if } \log_b^a = k,$$

$$\text{if } p > -1, \quad O(n^k \cdot \log^{p+1} n)$$

$$\text{if } p = -1, \quad O(n^k \log \log n)$$

$$\text{if } p < -1, \quad O(n^k) \quad \leftarrow \log \text{ becomes insignificant}$$

$$< 3] \text{if } \log_b^a < k, \quad T(n) = O(n^k \log^{\max(0,p)} n)$$

Simpler way to solve dividing functions

Case 2, directly take $O(n^k)$ & multiply by $\log n$

Case 3, directly take $f(n)$

Case 1, self explanatory.

How to approach a master theorem problem

$$1] \text{calculate } \log_b^a.$$

$$2) \text{compare it with } k.$$

$$3] \text{find out which one grows faster.}$$

Regularity condition for cases

$$af(n/b) \leq c \cdot f(n) \text{ for } c < 1$$

Prove by assuming valc
for $c \leq n$.