

$$.999\dots \stackrel{?}{=} 1$$

Proposition:  $.999\dots = 1$

Proof:  $.999\dots \in [\underbrace{.99\dots 9}_n, 1]$

$$\text{Hence } 0 \leq 1 - .999\dots \leq 1 - \underbrace{.99\dots 9}_n = \frac{1}{10^n} < \frac{1}{n} \quad \forall n$$

hence either  $1 - .999\dots = 0$  or  $1 - .999\dots$  is an infinitesimal

but there are no infinitesimals  $\in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\text{So } 1 - .999\dots = 0. \text{ so } 1 = .999\dots$$

Can enlarge  $\mathbb{R}$  to a field that contains infinitesimals

Add on abstract positive infinitesimal  $\omega$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  & obtain a field  $\mathbb{R}(\omega)$

$$\mathbb{R}(\omega) = \left\{ \frac{\sum_{i=0}^m a_i \omega^i}{\sum_{j=0}^n b_j \omega^j} \right\}$$

$$\frac{\omega-1}{\omega^2-1} = \frac{1}{\omega+1}$$

$$a_0 + a_1 \omega + a_2 \omega^2 + \dots + a_n \omega^n$$

has same sign as  $a_0$ .

$$\frac{p_1(\omega)}{q_1(\omega)} = \frac{p_2(\omega)}{q_2(\omega)} \text{ iff } p_1(\omega) q_2(\omega) = p_2(\omega) q_1(\omega)$$

$$\sqrt{\omega} \notin \mathbb{R}(\omega)$$

$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  are nonnegative integers

$$\mathbb{N}^+ = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\} = \mathbb{Z}^+$$

Principle of mathematical induction

(\*) if  $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  such that  $0 \in S$  and  $n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$  then  $S = \mathbb{N}$

(Spirak version)

(\*\*) if  $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}^+$  such that  $1 \in S$  and  $n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$  then  $S = \mathbb{N}^+$

(\*)  $\Rightarrow$  (\*\*) Replace  $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}^+$  by  $S' = \{0\} \cup S$  then (\*) implies  $S' = \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow S = \mathbb{N}^+$

(\*\*)  $\Rightarrow$  (\*) Replace  $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  by  $S' = S \setminus \{0\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}^+$

Proof by Induction: Given a sequence of statements

$P(0), P(1), P(2), \dots$

or alternatively  $P(1), P(2), \dots$

Suppose we show that  $P(0)$  holds and  $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$

then we can conclude that  $P(n)$  holds  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

This follows from the principle of MI.:

let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : P(n) \text{ holds}\}$

$P(0) \text{ true} \Leftrightarrow 0 \in S$

$P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1) \Leftrightarrow n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$

Proposition:  $2^n > n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

Proof: Base case:  $n=0$ .  $2^0 > 0 \quad \checkmark$   
 $n=1$ .  $2^1 > 1 \quad \checkmark$

Induction: Suppose that  $2^n > n$  (assume  $n \geq 1$ )

$$2^{n+1} = 2^n \cdot 2 > 2n$$

Lemma:  $2n \geq n+1 \quad \forall n \geq 1$

Proof:  $n \geq 1$   
 $n+n \geq n+1$   
 $2n \geq n+1$

so  $2^{n+1} > n+1$  by lemma.

so  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, 2^n > n$

Another application of Principle of M.I. is the definition of a sequence by recursion

Start by defining  $a_0$

Define  $a_{n+1}$  in terms of  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n$

then  $a_n$  is defined  $\forall n$

This is true by following:

Let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : a_n \text{ is defined}\}$

$a_0 \text{ defined} \Leftrightarrow 0 \in S$

$a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n \text{ defined} \Rightarrow a_{n+1} \text{ defined} \Leftrightarrow n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$

Example: In completeness/noncompleteness discussion we used the following recursive definition

$$a_0 = 1 \quad b_0 = 2$$

Having defined  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  with  $a_n^2 < 2$  and  $b_n^2 \geq 2$ , let  $c_n = \frac{a_n + b_n}{2}$

If  $c_n^2 < 2$ , let  $a_{n+1} = c_n$  and  $b_{n+1} = b_n$

else if  $c_n^2 \geq 2$ , let  $a_{n+1} = a_n$  and  $b_{n+1} = c_n$

if  $S = \{n : a_n \text{ and } b_n \text{ are defined}\}$

then  $0 \in S$

and  $n \in S \Rightarrow n+1 \in S$

so  $S = \mathbb{N} \Leftrightarrow a_n, b_n \text{ defined } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

Proposition:  $b_n - a_n = \frac{1}{2^n}$

Proof : by induction:

base case:  $n=0$   $b_0 - a_0 = 2 - 1 = 1 = \frac{1}{2^0}$

induction: let  $b_n - a_n = \frac{1}{2^n}$

then  $b_{n+1} - a_{n+1}$  is either

$$b_n - c_n = b_n - \frac{1}{2}(a_n + b_n) = \frac{1}{2}(b_n - a_n) = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2^n}\right) = \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$$

$$\text{or } c_n - a_n = \frac{1}{2}(a_n + b_n) - a_n = \frac{1}{2}(b_n - a_n) = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2^n}\right) = \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$$

So  $b_n - a_n = \frac{1}{2^n} \quad \forall n$

<sup>induction</sup>  
"Paradox" All dogs are chihuahuas

This follows from the following inductive statement

Proposition: If in a set  $\{D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n\}$  of  $n$  dogs

if  $D_1$  is a chihuahua then  $D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n$  are chihuahuas

Proof: base case:  $\{D_1\}$  obviously true

$$n=3 \Rightarrow n=4 \quad \{D_1, \dots, D_4\} \quad D_1 \text{ ch...}$$

$$\{D_1, \dots, D_3\} \text{ by } D_1, \dots, D_3 \text{ chi}$$

$$\{D_1, D_2, D_4\} \quad D_4 \text{ is a chi...}$$

So  $D_1, \dots, D_4$  are chihuahuas

but  $P(1) \not\Rightarrow P(2)$ :

$$\{D_1, D_2\} \quad D_1 \text{ chihuahua}$$

but nothing is to say  $D_2$  is a chihuahua.

The only smaller set is  $\{D_1\}$  which is trivially all chihuahuas but does not contain  $D_2$ .