

# CSE 311 Foundations of Computing I

## Lecture 14

### Induction and Strong Induction Spring 2013

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## Announcements

- Reading assignments
  - Today:
    - 5.1-5.2 7<sup>th</sup> Edition
    - 4.1-4.2 6<sup>th</sup> Edition
    - 3.3, 3.4 5<sup>th</sup> Edition
- Homework 4 due today, Homework 3 back
- Homework 5 out today, due May 8
- Midterm Friday, May 10, MGH 389
  - Closed book, closed notes
  - Tables of inference rules and equivalences will be included on test

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## Highlights from last lecture

- Mathematical Induction
$$\begin{array}{l} P(0) \\ \hline \forall k \geq 0 (P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)) \\ \hline \therefore \forall n \geq 0 P(n) \end{array}$$
- Induction proof layout:
  1. By induction we will show that  $P(n)$  is true for every  $n \geq 0$
  2. Base Case: Prove  $P(0)$
  3. Inductive Hypothesis: Assume that  $P(k)$  is true for some arbitrary integer  $k \geq 0$
  4. Inductive Step: Prove that  $P(k+1)$  is true using Inductive Hypothesis that  $P(k)$  is true
  5. Conclusion: Result follows by induction

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## Highlights from last lecture: Claim: $3 \mid 2^{2^n} - 1$ for all $n \geq 0$

Proof:

1. Let  $P(n)$  be “ $3 \mid 2^{2^n} - 1$ ”. We will prove by induction that  $P(n)$  is true for all integers  $n \geq 0$ .
2. Base Case:  $n=0$ .  $2^{2 \cdot 0} - 1 = 2^0 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0 = 3 \cdot 0$ .  
Therefore  $3 \mid 2^{2 \cdot 0} - 1$  so  $P(0)$  is true ✓
3. Inductive Hypothesis: Assume that  $3 \mid 2^{2^k} - 1$  for some arbitrary integer  $k \geq 0$ .
4. Inductive Step: 

Goal: Show $3 \mid 2^{2^{k+1}} - 1$
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## Highlights from last lecture:

Claim:  $3 \mid 2^{2^n} - 1$  for all  $n \geq 0$

Proof continued...

4. Inductive Step: Goal: Show  $3 \mid 2^{2^{(k+1)}} - 1$

By Inductive Hypothesis there is some integer  $m$  such that  $2^{2^k} - 1 = 3m$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now } 2^{2^{(k+1)}} - 1 &= 2^{2k+2} - 1 = 4 \cdot 2^{2k} - 1 = 4(3m+1) - 1 \\ &= 12m+3 = 3(4m+1)\end{aligned}$$

Since  $4m+1$  is an integer,  $3 \mid 2^{2^{(k+1)}} - 1$  ✓

5. Conclusion: Therefore, by induction we have proved that  $3 \mid 2^{2^n} - 1$  for all  $n \geq 0$

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$$1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1 \text{ for all } n \geq 0$$

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$$1+2+\dots+n = \sum_{i=1}^n i = n(n+1)/2 \text{ for all } n \geq 1$$

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## Harmonic Numbers

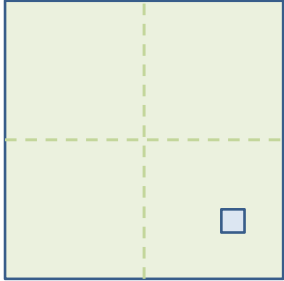
$$H_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k}$$

Prove  $H_{2^n} \geq 1 + \frac{n}{2}$  for all  $n \geq 1$

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## Cute Application: Checkerboard tiling with Tri-ominos

Prove that a  $2^n \times 2^n$  checkerboard with one square removed can be tiled with: 



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## Strong Induction

$$\begin{array}{l} P(0) \\ \forall k ((P(0) \wedge P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(k)) \rightarrow P(k+1)) \\ \therefore \forall n P(n) \end{array}$$

Follows from ordinary induction applied to  
 $Q(n) = P(0) \wedge P(1) \wedge P(2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(n)$

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## Strong Induction English Proofs

1. By induction we will show that  $P(n)$  is true for every  $n \geq 0$
2. Base Case: Prove  $P(0)$
3. Inductive Hypothesis:  
Assume that for some arbitrary integer  $k \geq 0$ ,  $P(j)$  is true for every  $j$  from 0 to  $k$
4. Inductive Step:  
Prove that  $P(k+1)$  is true using the Inductive Hypothesis (that  $P(j)$  is true for all values  $\leq k$ )
5. Conclusion: Result follows by induction

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Every integer  $\geq 2$  is the product of primes

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## Recursive Definitions of Functions

- $F(0) = 0$ ;  $F(n + 1) = F(n) + 1$  for all  $n \geq 0$
- $G(0) = 1$ ;  $G(n + 1) = 2 \times G(n)$  for all  $n \geq 0$
- $0! = 1$ ;  $(n+1)! = (n+1) \times n!$  for all  $n \geq 0$
- $H(0) = 1$ ;  $H(n + 1) = 2^{H(n)}$  for all  $n \geq 0$

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## Fibonacci Numbers

- $f_0 = 0$ ;  $f_1 = 1$ ;  $f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$  for all  $n \geq 2$

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## Bounding the Fibonacci Numbers

- Theorem:  $2^{n/2-1} \leq f_n < 2^n$  for all  $n \geq 2$

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## Fibonacci numbers and the running time of Euclid's algorithm

- Theorem: Suppose that Euclid's algorithm takes  $n$  steps for  $\gcd(a, b)$  with  $a > b$ , then  $a \geq f_{n+1}$
- Set  $r_{n+1} = a$ ,  $r_n = b$  then Euclid's alg. computes
$$\begin{aligned} r_{n+1} &= q_n r_n + r_{n-1} \\ r_n &= q_{n-1} r_{n-1} + r_{n-2} \\ &\vdots \\ r_3 &= q_2 r_2 + r_1 \\ r_2 &= q_1 r_1 \end{aligned}$$

each quotient  $q_i \geq 1$   
 $r_1 \geq 1$

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