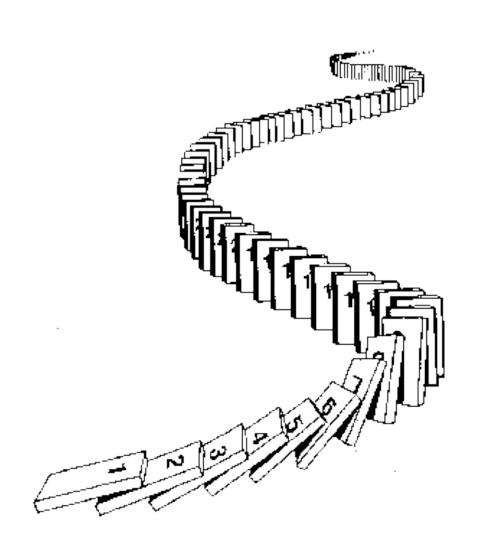
# **CSE 311: Foundations of Computing**

Lecture 15: Induction & Strong Induction



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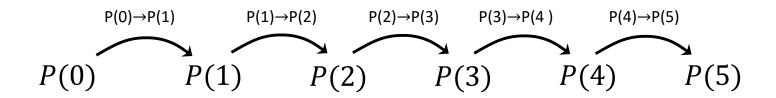
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# **Translating to an English Proof**

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**Base Case** 

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**Inductive Hypothesis** 

3.2. ...

**Inductive** 

3.3. Prove P(k+1) is true

Step

3.  $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$ 

**Direct Proof Rule** 

4.  $\forall k (P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1))$ 

Intro  $\forall$ : 2, 3

5.  $\forall$ n P(n)

Induction: 1, 4

**Conclusion** 

# **Inductive Proofs In 5 Easy Steps**

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=  $k(k+1)/2 + (k+1)$  by IH  
=  $(k+1)(k/2 + 1)$   
=  $(k+1)(k+2)/2$ 

So, we have shown 1 + 2 + ... + k + (k+1) = (k+1)(k+2)/2, which is exactly P(k+1).

**5.** Thus P(n) is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by induction.

# Induction: Changing the start line

- What if we want to prove that P(n) is true for all integers  $n \ge b$  for some integer b?
- Define predicate Q(k) = P(k + b) for all k.
  - -Then  $\forall n \ Q(n) \equiv \forall n \geq b \ P(n)$
- Ordinary induction for Q:
  - Prove  $Q(0) \equiv P(b)$
  - Prove

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 $= 3k^2 + 9$   
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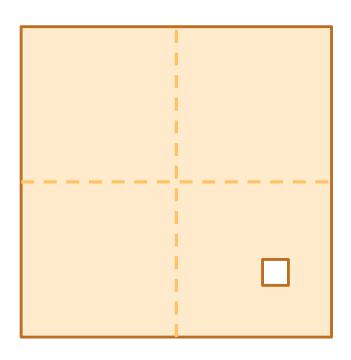
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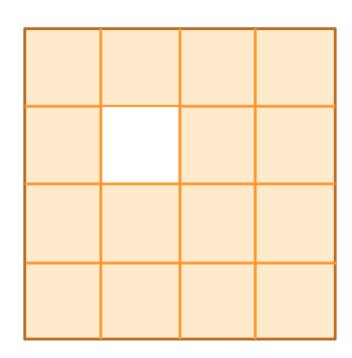
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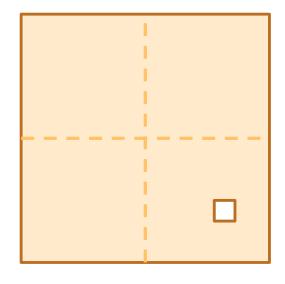


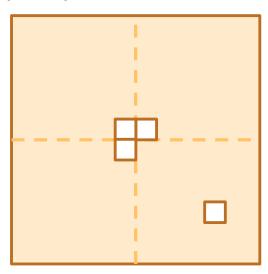




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Apply IH to each quadrant then fill with extra tile.

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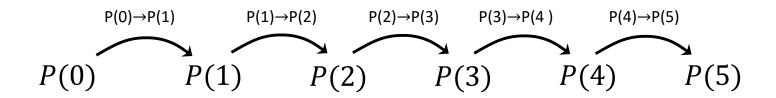
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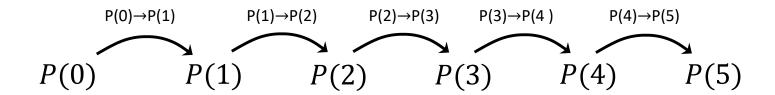
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We made it harder than we needed to ...

When we proved P(2) we knew BOTH P(0) and P(1)

When we proved P(3) we knew P(0) and P(1) and P(2)

When we proved P(4) we knew P(0), P(1), P(2), P(3) etc.

That's the essence of the idea of Strong Induction.

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Strong induction for P follows from ordinary induction for Q where

$$Q(k) = P(0) \land P(1) \land P(2) \land \dots \land P(k)$$

Note that  $Q(0) \equiv P(0)$  and  $Q(k+1) \equiv Q(k) \land P(k+1)$ and  $\forall n \ Q(n) \equiv \forall n \ P(n)$ 

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# **Strong** Inductive Proofs In 5 Easy Steps

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### Recall: Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic

Every integer > 1 has a unique prime factorization

$$48 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3$$
  
 $591 = 3 \cdot 197$   
 $45,523 = 45,523$   
 $321,950 = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 47 \cdot 137$   
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We use strong induction to prove that a factorization into primes exists, but not that it is unique.

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# **Fast Exponentiation**

```
public static int FastModExp(int a, int k, int modulus) {
    if (k == 0) {
        return 1;
    } else if ((k % 2) == 0) {
        long temp = FastModExp(a,k/2,modulus);
        return (temp * temp) % modulus;
    }
} else {
        long temp = FastModExp(a,k-1,modulus);
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$$a^{2j} \operatorname{mod} m = (a^{j} \operatorname{mod} m)^{2} \operatorname{mod} m$$
  

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However, we will use strong induction to analyze other functions with recursive definitions.