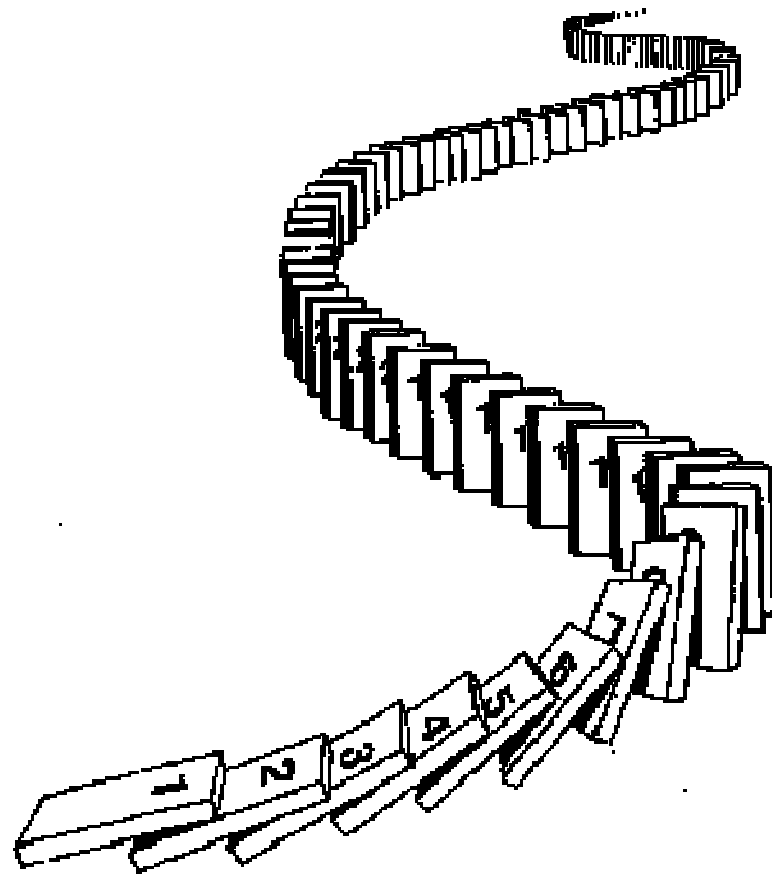


CSE 311: Foundations of Computing

Lecture 14: Induction



Mathematical Induction

Method for proving statements about all natural numbers

- A new logical inference rule!
 - It only applies over the natural numbers
 - The idea is to **use** the special structure of the naturals to prove things more easily
- Particularly useful for reasoning about programs!

`for(int i=0; i < n; n++) { ... } ←`

- Show $P(i)$ holds after i times through the loop

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public int f(int x) {  
    if (x == 0) { return 0; }  
    else { return f(x - 1) + 1; }  
}
```

- $f(x) = x$ for all values of $x \geq 0$ naturally shown by induction.

$$\begin{aligned} & f(3) \\ &= f(2) + 1 \\ &= f(1) + 1 + 1 \\ &= f(0) + 1 + 1 + 1 \\ &= 0 + 1 + 1 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Prove $\forall a, b, m > 0 \forall k \in \mathbb{N} (a \equiv b \pmod{m} \rightarrow a^k \equiv b^k \pmod{m})$

Let $a, b, m > 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ be arbitrary. Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ be arbitrary.
Suppose that $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$.

We know $(a \equiv b \pmod{m} \wedge a \equiv b \pmod{m}) \rightarrow a^2 \equiv b^2 \pmod{m}$
by multiplying congruences. So, applying this
repeatedly, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} (a \equiv b \pmod{m} \wedge a \equiv b \pmod{m}) &\rightarrow a^2 \equiv b^2 \pmod{m} \\ (a^2 \equiv b^2 \pmod{m} \wedge a \equiv b \pmod{m}) &\rightarrow a^3 \equiv b^3 \pmod{m} \end{aligned}$$

...

$$(a^{k-1} \equiv b^{k-1} \pmod{m} \wedge a \equiv b \pmod{m}) \rightarrow a^k \equiv b^k \pmod{m}$$

The “...”s is a problem! We don’t have a proof rule that allows us to say “do this over and over”.

But there such a property of the natural numbers!

Domain: Natural Numbers

$N = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \textcircled{1} \quad P(0) \quad \checkmark \\ \textcircled{2} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall k (P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)) \quad \checkmark \end{array} \right. \\ \hline \therefore \forall n P(n) \quad \leftarrow \end{array}$$

$P(0)$

$P(0) \rightarrow P(1)$

$P(1) \rightarrow P(2)$

$P(2) \rightarrow P(3) \dots$

Induction Is A Rule of Inference

Domain: Natural Numbers

$$\frac{P(0) \quad \forall k (P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1))}{\therefore \forall n P(n)} \leftarrow$$

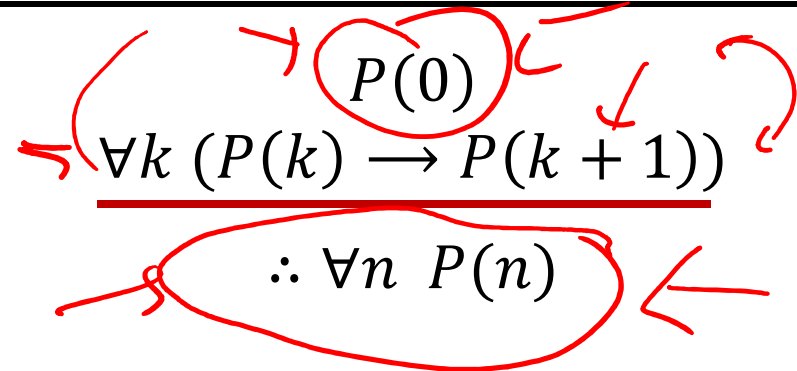
How do the givens prove $P(5)$?

Handwritten red ink diagram showing the inductive proof of $P(5)$:

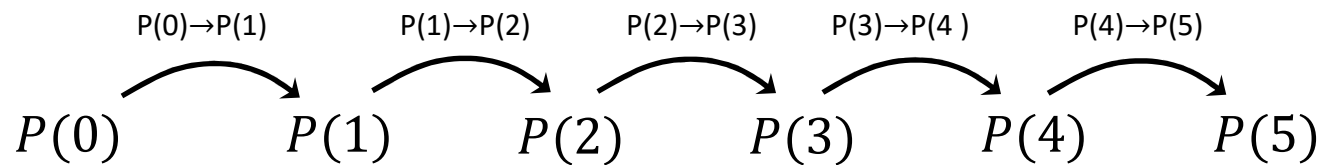
- $P(0)$ and $P(0) \rightarrow P(1)$ lead to $P(1)$ (M.P.)
- $P(1)$ and $P(1) \rightarrow P(2)$ lead to $P(2)$
- $P(2)$ and $P(2) \rightarrow P(3)$ lead to $P(3)$
- $P(3)$ and $P(3) \rightarrow P(4)$ lead to $P(4)$
- $P(4)$ and $P(4) \rightarrow P(5)$ lead to $P(5)$ (indicated by a red dot)

Induction Is A Rule of Inference

Domain: Natural Numbers



How do the givens prove $P(5)$?



First, we have $P(0)$.

Since $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$ for all k , we have $P(0) \rightarrow P(1)$.

Since $P(0)$ is true and $P(0) \rightarrow P(1)$, by Modus Ponens, $P(1)$ is true.

Since $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$ for all k , we have $P(1) \rightarrow P(2)$.

Since $P(1)$ is true and $P(1) \rightarrow P(2)$, by Modus Ponens, $P(2)$ is true.

Using The Induction Rule In A Formal Proof

$$\begin{array}{c}
 P(0) \\
 \forall k (P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)) \\
 \hline
 \therefore \forall n P(n)
 \end{array}$$

work \rightarrow !
 case ($P(0)$)
 work \rightarrow (let k be an arbitrary natural #
 $P(k)$ Assumption
 \vdots
 $P(k+1)$
 case ($P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$) Direct Proof
 $\forall k (P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1))$ Intro \forall
 then $P(n)$ By induction rule

Using The Induction Rule In A Formal Proof

$$\frac{P(0) \quad \forall k (P(k) \rightarrow P(k + 1))}{\therefore \forall n P(n)}$$

1. Prove $P(0)$

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

5. $\forall n P(n)$

Induction: 1, 4

Using The Induction Rule In A Formal Proof

$$\frac{P(0) \quad \forall k (P(k) \rightarrow P(k + 1))}{\therefore \forall n P(n)}$$

1. Prove $P(0)$
2. Let k be an arbitrary integer ≥ 0

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

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

5. $\forall n P(n)$

Intro \forall : 2, 3

Induction: 1, 4

Using The Induction Rule In A Formal Proof

$$\frac{P(0) \quad \forall k (P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1))}{\therefore \forall n P(n)}$$

1. Prove $P(0)$
2. Let k be an arbitrary integer ≥ 0
 - 3.1. Assume that $P(k)$ is true
 - 3.2. ...
 - 3.3. Prove $P(k+1)$ is true
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

Translating to an English Proof

$$\begin{array}{c} P(0) \\ \forall k (P(k) \rightarrow P(k + 1)) \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \forall n P(n)$$

1. Prove $P(0)$

Base Case

2. Let k be an arbitrary integer ≥ 0

3.1. Assume that $P(k)$ is true

3.2. ...

3.3. Prove $P(k+1)$ is true

Inductive Hypothesis

Inductive 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

Translating To An English Proof

1. Prove $P(0)$	Base Case
2. Let k be an arbitrary integer ≥ 0 3.1. Assume that $P(k)$ is true	Inductive Hypothesis
3.2. ... 3.3. Prove $P(k+1)$ is true	Inductive Step
3. $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$ 4. $\forall k (P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1))$ 5. $\forall n P(n)$	Direct Proof Rule Intro \forall : 2, 3 Induction: 1, 4
Conclusion	

Induction Proof Template



[...Define $P(n)$...]

We will show that $P(n)$ is true for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ by Induction.

Base Case: [...proof of $P(0)$ here...]

Induction Hypothesis:

Suppose that $P(k)$ is true for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Induction Step:

We want to prove that $P(k + 1)$ is true.

[...proof of $P(k + 1)$ here...]

The proof of $P(k + 1)$ **must** invoke the IH somewhere.

So, the claim is true by induction.

Inductive Proofs In 5 Easy Steps

Proof:

1. “Let $P(n)$ be... . We will show that $P(n)$ is true for every $n \geq 0$ by Induction.”

2. “Base Case:” Prove $P(0)$

3. “Inductive Hypothesis:

Assume $P(k)$ is true for some arbitrary integer $k \geq 0$ ”

4. “Inductive Step:” Prove that $P(k + 1)$ is true:

Use the goal to figure out what you need.

Make sure you are using I.H. and point out where you are using it. (Don't assume $P(k + 1)$!!)

5. “Conclusion: Result follows by induction”

What is $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n$?

- $1 = 1$
- $1 + 2 = 3$
- $1 + 2 + 4 = 7$
- $1 + 2 + 4 + \underline{8} = \underline{\underline{15}}$
- $1 + 2 + 4 + \underline{8} + \underline{16} = 31$

It sure looks like this sum is $2^{n+1} - 1$

How can we prove it?

We could prove it for $n = 1, n = 2, n = 3, \dots$ but that would literally take forever.

Good that we have induction!

Prove $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$

Proof By induction

1. let be $P(n)$ be

2. Base case ($n=0$):

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{"} 1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1 \text{"} \\ & 2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + \dots \\ & 2^0 = 1 \\ & 2^{0+1} - 1 = 2^1 - 1 = 2 - 1 = 1 \quad \leftarrow = \\ & \therefore P(0) \text{ is true} \end{aligned}$$

Prove $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$

- 1. Let $P(n)$ be " $1 + 2 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$ ". We will show $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers by induction.**

Prove $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$

1. Let $P(n)$ be " $1 + 2 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$ ". We will show $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers by induction.

2. Base Case ($n=0$): $2^0 = 1 = 2 - 1 = 2^{0+1} - 1$ so $P(0)$ is true.

3. Inductive Hypothesis: Assume that $P(k)$ is true for some natural $k \geq 0$

ie. $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^k = 2^{k+1} - 1$

4. Inductive Step:

Goal: Show $P(k+1)$ is true
 $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+2} - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k &= 2^{k+1} - 1 && \text{I.H.} \\ \therefore 1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} &= 2^{k+1} - 1 + 2^{k+1} \\ &= \overbrace{2 \cdot 2^{k+1}}^{2^{k+2}} - 1 = 2^{k+2} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + 2 + \dots + 2^{k+1} &= 1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} \\ &= \underbrace{2^{k+1} - 1}_{\text{by I.H.}} + 2^{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

Prove $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$

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Goal: Show $P(k+1)$, i.e. show $1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+2} - 1$

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Goal: Show $P(k+1)$, i.e. show $1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+2} - 1$

$$1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k = 2^{k+1} - 1 \quad \text{by IH}$$

Adding 2^{k+1} to both sides, we get:

$$1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+1} + 2^{k+1} - 1$$

Note that $2^{k+1} + 2^{k+1} = 2(2^{k+1}) = 2^{k+2}$.

So, we have $1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+2} - 1$, which is exactly $P(k+1)$.

Prove $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$

1. Let $P(n)$ be " $1 + 2 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$ ". We will show $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers by induction.
2. Base Case ($n=0$): $2^0 = 1 = 2 - 1 = 2^{0+1} - 1$ so $P(0)$ is true.
3. Induction Hypothesis: Suppose that $P(k)$ is true for some arbitrary integer $k \geq 0$.
4. Induction Step:

Goal: Show $P(k+1)$, i.e. show $1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+2} - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} &= (1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k) + 2^{k+1} \\ &= 2^{k+1} - 1 + 2^{k+1} \quad \text{by the IH} \end{aligned}$$

Note that $2^{k+1} + 2^{k+1} = 2(2^{k+1}) = 2^{k+2}$.

So, we have $1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+2} - 1$, which is exactly $P(k+1)$.

Alternative way of writing the inductive step

Prove $1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$

1. Let $P(n)$ be " $1 + 2 + \dots + 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 1$ ". We will show $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers by induction.
2. Base Case ($n=0$): $2^0 = 1 = 2 - 1 = 2^{0+1} - 1$ so $P(0)$ is true.
3. Induction Hypothesis: Suppose that $P(k)$ is true for some arbitrary integer $k \geq 0$.

4. Induction Step:

Goal: Show $P(k+1)$, i.e. show $1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+2} - 1$

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Note that $2^{k+1} + 2^{k+1} = 2(2^{k+1}) = 2^{k+2}$.

So, we have $1 + 2 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+2} - 1$, which is exactly $P(k+1)$.

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



Prove $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = n(n+1)/2$

1. Let $P(n)$ be " $1+2+\dots+n = n(n+1)/2$ "
2. Base Case $n=0$ $LS=0$
 $RS=0(0+1)/2=0$ \checkmark
3. IH.

Prove $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = n(n + 1)/2$

- 1. Let $P(n)$ be " $0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + n = n(n+1)/2$ ". We will show $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers by induction.**

Prove $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = n(n + 1)/2$

- 1. Let $P(n)$ be “ $0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + n = n(n+1)/2$ ”. We will show $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers by induction.**
- 2. Base Case ($n=0$): $0 = 0(0+1)/2$. Therefore $P(0)$ is true.**

Prove $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

1. Let $P(n)$ be " $0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + n = n(n+1)/2$ ". We will show $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers by induction.

2. Base Case ($n=0$): $0 = 0(0+1)/2$. Therefore $P(0)$ is true.

3. Induction Hypothesis: Suppose that $P(k)$ is true for some arbitrary integer $k \geq 0$.

4. Induction Step:

Goal: Show $P(k+1)$, i.e. show $1 + 2 + \dots + k + (k+1) = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + 2 + \dots + k) + (k+1) &= \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + (k+1) \text{ by IH.} \\ &= \frac{k(k+1) + 2(k+1)}{2} \\ &= \frac{(k+2)(k+1)}{2} = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2} \\ &\therefore P(k+1) \text{ is true} \end{aligned}$$

Prove $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = n(n + 1)/2$

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4. Induction Step:

Goal: Show $P(k+1)$, i.e. show $1 + 2 + \dots + k + (k+1) = (k+1)(k+2)/2$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + 2 + \dots + k + (k+1) &= (1 + 2 + \dots + k) + (k+1) \\ &= k(k+1)/2 + (k+1) \text{ by IH} \end{aligned}$$

Now $k(k+1)/2 + (k+1) = (k+1)(k/2 + 1) = (k+1)(k+2)/2$.

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

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

Another example of a pattern

- $2^0 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0 = 3 \cdot 0$
- $2^2 - 1 = 4 - 1 = 3 = 3 \cdot 1$
- $2^4 - 1 = 16 - 1 = 15 = 3 \cdot 5$
- $2^6 - 1 = 64 - 1 = 63 = 3 \cdot 21$
- $2^8 - 1 = 256 - 1 = 255 = 3 \cdot 85$
- ...

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

1. let $P(n)$ be " $3 \mid (2^{2n} - 1)$ "
we prove $P(n)$ for all integer $n \geq 0$ by induction
2. Base Case : $n=0$ $2^0 - 1$

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

1. Let $P(n)$ be " $3 \mid (2^{2n} - 1)$ ". We will show $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers by induction.

2. Base Case ($n=0$):

$$2^{2 \cdot 0} - 1 = 2^0 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0 = 3 \cdot 0$$

$\therefore P(0)$ is true ✓

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

1. Let $P(n)$ be " $3 \mid (2^{2n} - 1)$ ". We will show $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers by induction.
2. Base Case ($n=0$): $2^{2 \cdot 0} - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0 = 3 \cdot 0$ Therefore $P(0)$ is true.
3. Induction Hypothesis: Suppose that $P(k)$ is true for some arbitrary integer $k \geq 0$.

4. Induction Step:

Goal: Show $P(k+1)$, i.e. show $3 \mid (2^{2(k+1)} - 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{By IH. } 3 \mid (2^{2k} - 1) &\quad \therefore 2^{2k} - 1 = 3m \\ &\quad \text{for some integer } m. \\ \therefore 2^{2k} &= 3m + 1 \\ \therefore 2^{2(k+1)} &= 2^{2k+2} \\ &= 4 \cdot (3m + 1) \\ 2^{2(k+1)} - 1 &= 4(3m + 1) - 1 = 12m + 3 = 3(4m + 1) \\ \therefore 3 \mid (2^{2(k+1)} - 1) &\quad \therefore P(k+1) \text{ is true} \end{aligned}$$

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

- 1. Let $P(n)$ be “ $3 \mid (2^{2n} - 1)$ ”. We will show $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers by induction.**
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4. Induction Step:

Goal: Show $P(k+1)$, i.e. show $3 \mid (2^{2(k+1)} - 1)$

By IH, $3 \mid (2^{2k} - 1)$ so $2^{2k} - 1 = 3j$ for some integer j

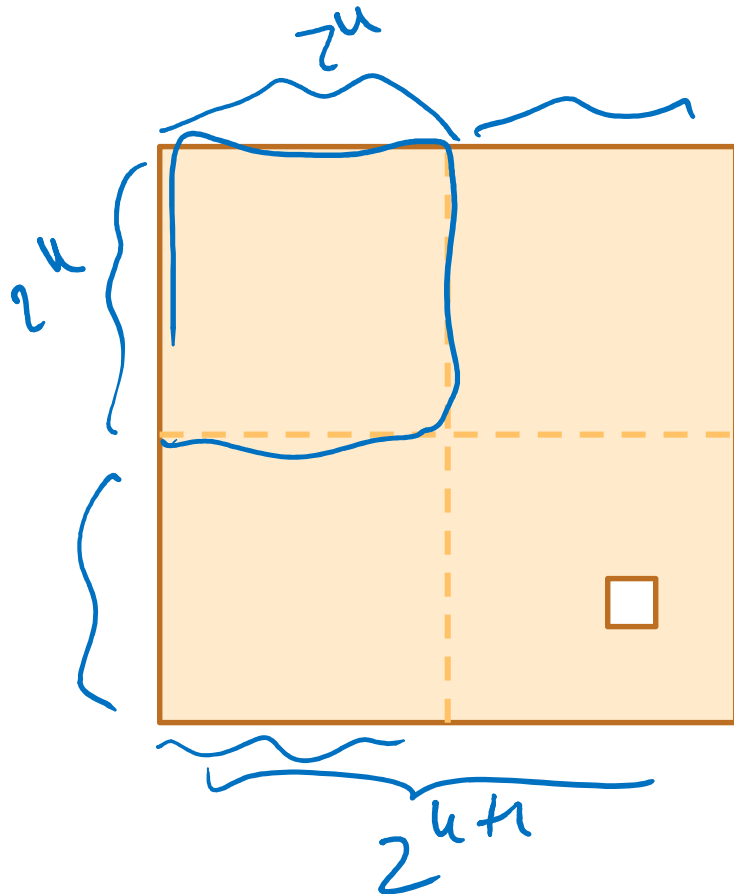
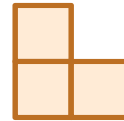
$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } 2^{2(k+1)} - 1 &= 2^{2k+2} - 1 = 4(2^{2k}) - 1 = 4(3j+1) - 1 \\ &= 12j+3 = 3(4j+1) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $3 \mid (2^{2(k+1)} - 1)$ which is exactly $P(k+1)$.

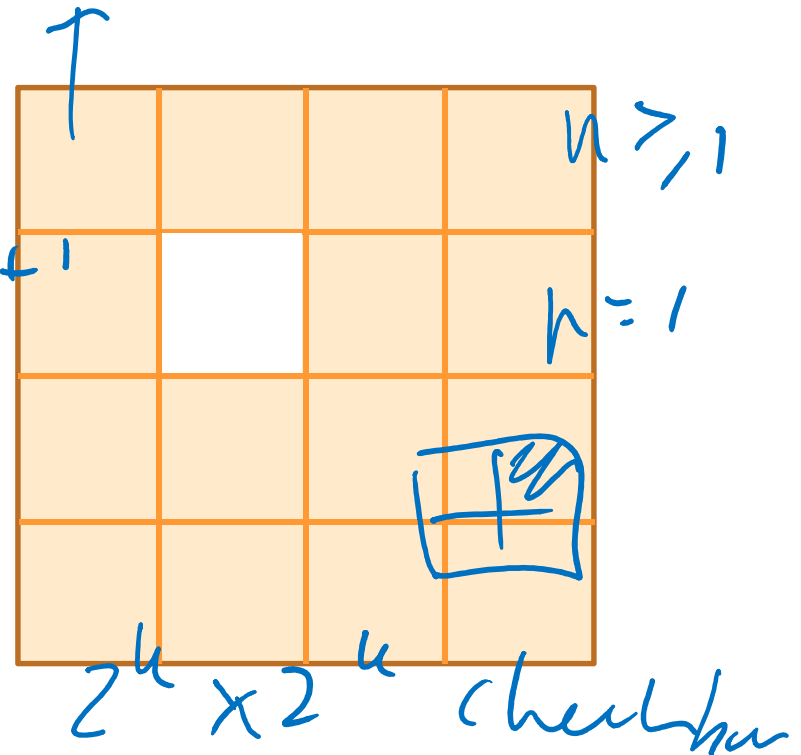
- 5. Thus $P(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, by induction.**

Checkerboard Tiling

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



2^{k+1}



Checkerboard Tiling

1. Let $P(n)$ be any $2^n \times 2^n$ checkerboard with one square removed can be tiled with  .

We prove $P(n)$ for all $n \geq 1$ by induction on n .

2. Base Case: $n=1$    

Checkerboard Tiling

$$2^{2n} - 1$$

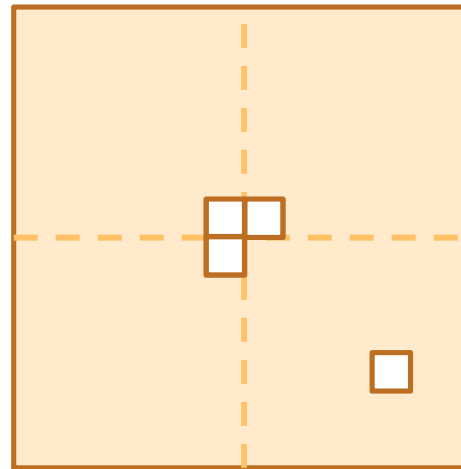
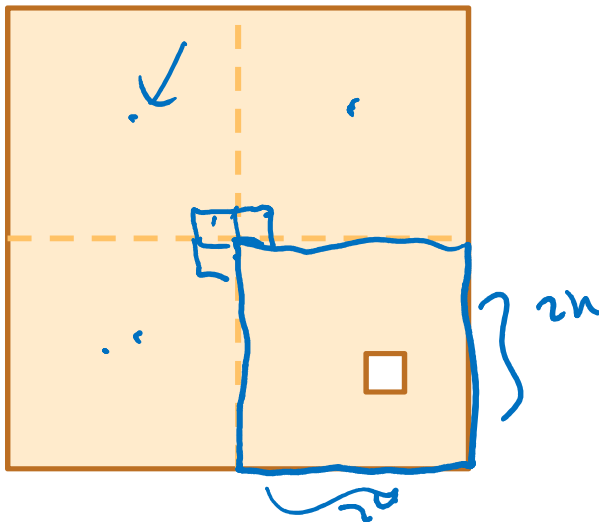
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2. Base Case: $n=1$    

3. Inductive Hypothesis: Assume $P(k)$ for some arbitrary integer $k \geq 1$

4. Inductive Step: Prove $P(k+1)$



Apply IH to each quadrant then fill with extra tile.