## 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 $\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{i})$ holds after i times through the loop

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

Let $a, b, m>0$ be arbitrary. Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ be arbitrary.
Suppose that $a \equiv b(\bmod m)$.
We know that by multiplying congruences we get

$$
(a \equiv b(\bmod m) \wedge a \equiv b(\bmod m)) \rightarrow a^{2} \equiv b^{2}(\bmod m)
$$

Then, repeating this many times, we have:

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left(a^{2} \equiv b^{2}(\bmod m) \wedge a \equiv b(\bmod m)\right) \rightarrow a^{3} \equiv b^{3}(\bmod m) \\
\left(a^{3} \equiv b^{3}(\bmod m) \wedge a \equiv b(\bmod m)\right) \rightarrow a^{4} \equiv b^{4}(\bmod m) \\
\cdots \\
\left(a^{k-1} \equiv b^{k-1}(\bmod m) \wedge a \equiv b(\bmod m)\right) \rightarrow a^{k} \equiv b^{k}(\bmod m)
\end{gathered}
$$

The "..." 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

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\begin{gathered}
P(0) \\
\forall k(P(k) \xrightarrow{\rightarrow} P(k+1)) \\
\therefore \forall n P(n)
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First, we have $P(0)$.
Since $P(n) \rightarrow P(n+1)$ for all $n$, 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 $P(n) \rightarrow P(n+1)$ for all $n$, we have $P(1) \rightarrow P(2)$.

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## Using The Induction Rule In A Formal Proof

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1. $P(0)$
2. $\quad \forall \mathrm{k}(\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{k}) \rightarrow \mathrm{P}(\mathrm{k}+1))$
3. $\forall \mathrm{nP}(\mathrm{n})$

Induction: 1, 4

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\end{array}, ~\left(\frac{1}{2}\right.
\end{gathered}
$$

1. $\mathrm{P}(0)$
2. Let k be an arbitrary integer $\geq 0$
3. $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$
4. $\quad \forall k(P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1))$
5. $\forall \mathrm{nP}(\mathrm{n})$

Intro $\forall: 2,3$
Induction: 1, 4

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2. Let k be an arbitrary integer $\geq 0$
3.1. $P(k)$

Assumption
3.2. ...
3.3. $P(k+1)$
3. $P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1)$
4. $\forall k(P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1))$
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Direct Proof Rule Intro $\forall$ : 2, 3
Induction: 1, 4

## Translating to an English Proof

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## Translating to an English Proof



Conclusion

## Induction English 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 an arbitrary $k \in \mathbb{N}$.
Induction Step:
[...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:

Suppose $P(k)$ is true for an 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 $1+2+4+\ldots+2^{n} ?$

- 1

$$
=1
$$

- $1+2$

$$
=3
$$

- $1+2+4$

$$
=7
$$

- $1+2+4+8$
$=15$
- $1+2+4+8+16$
$=31$
It sure looks like this sum is $2^{n+1}-1$ How can we prove it?

We could prove it for $n=1, n=2, n=3, \ldots$ but that would literally take forever.
Good that we have induction!

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Goal: Show $P(k+1)$, i.e. show $2^{0}+2^{1}+\ldots+2^{k}+2^{k+1}=2^{k+2}-1$

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$$
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$$

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

$$
2^{0}+2^{1}+\ldots+2^{k}+2^{k+1}=2^{k+1}+2^{k+1}-1
$$

Note that $2^{k+1}+2^{k+1}=2\left(2^{k+1}\right)=2^{k+2}$.
So, we have $2^{0}+2^{1}+\ldots+2^{k}+2^{k+1}=2^{k+2}-1$, which is exactly $P(k+1)$.

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We can calculate

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\begin{aligned}
2^{0}+2^{1}+\ldots+2^{k}+2^{k+1} & =\left(2^{0}+2^{1}+\ldots+2^{k}\right)+2^{k+1} \quad \text { by the IH } \\
& =\left(2^{k+1}-1\right)+2^{k+1} \\
& =2\left(2^{k+1}\right)-1 \\
& =2^{k+2}-1,
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which is exactly $\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{k}+1)$.
Alternative way of writing the inductive step

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

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

So, we have shown $1+2+\ldots+k+(k+1)=(k+1)(k+2) / 2$, which is exactly $\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{k}+1)$.
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 $n \geq b$ 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
$\forall k(Q(k) \rightarrow Q(k+1)) \equiv \forall k \geq b(P(k) \rightarrow P(k+1))$


## Inductive Proofs starting at $b$ in 5 Easy Steps

1. "Let $P(n)$ be... . We will show that $P(n)$ is true for all integers $n \geq b$ by induction."
2. "Base Case:" Prove $P(b)$
3. "Inductive Hypothesis:

Assume $P(k)$ is true for an arbitrary integer $k \geq b$ "
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: $P(n)$ is true for all integers $n \geq b$ "

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$$
\begin{aligned}
3^{k+1} & =3\left(3^{k}\right) \\
& \geq 3\left(k^{2}+3\right) \text { by the IH } \\
& =3 k^{2}+9 \\
& =k^{2}+2 k^{2}+9 \\
& \geq k^{2}+2 k+4=(k+1)^{2}+3 \text { since } k \geq 2 .
\end{aligned}
$$

Therefore $P(k+1)$ is true.

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5. Thus $\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{n})$ is true for all integers $\mathrm{n} \geq 2$, by induction.

## Checkerboard Tiling

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



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

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


Apply IH to each quadrant then fill with extra tile.

