## CSE 311: Foundations of Computing

## Lecture 16: Recursively Defined Sets \& Structural Induction



## Last time: Fibonacci Numbers

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## Last Time: Upper Bound $f_{n}<2^{n}$ for all $n \geq 0$

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so $P(k+1)$ is true in this case.
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## Inductive Proofs with Multiple Base Cases

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2. "Base Cases:" Prove $P(b), P(b+1), \ldots, P(c)$
3. "Inductive Hypothesis:

Assume $P(k)$ is true for an arbitrary integer $k \geq c$,
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 $n \geq b$ "

## (Strong) Inductive Proofs with Multiple Base Cases

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$P(j)$ is true for every integer $j$ from $b$ to $k$ "
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First case in
inductive step
didn't need IH

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| :--- | :--- |
| previous values used |$\longrightarrow$| $\boldsymbol{f}_{\mathbf{0}}=\mathbf{0} \quad \boldsymbol{f}_{\mathbf{1}}=\mathbf{1}$ |
| :--- |
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Why does this help us bound the running time of Euclid's Algorithm?

We already proved that $f_{n} \geq 2^{n / 2-1}$ so $f_{n+1} \geq 2^{(n-1) / 2}$
Therefore: if Euclid's Algorithm takes $n$ steps
for $\operatorname{gcd}(a, b)$ with $a \geq b>0$
then $a \geq 2^{(n-1) / 2}$
so $(n-1) / 2 \leq \log _{2} a$ or $n \leq 1+2 \log _{2} a$
i.e., \# of steps $\leq 1+$ twice the \# of bits in $a$.

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An informal way to get the idea: Consider an $n$ step gcd calculation starting with $r_{n+1}=a$ and $r_{n}=b$ :

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\begin{aligned}
r_{n+1} & =q_{n} r_{n}+r_{n-1} \\
r_{n} & =q_{n-1} r_{n-1}+r_{n-2} \\
& \cdots \\
r_{3} & =q_{2} r_{2}+r_{1} \\
r_{2} & =q_{1} r_{1}+0_{0}
\end{aligned}
$$

For all $k \geq 2, r_{k-1}=r_{k+1} \bmod r_{k}$
"Euclid's algorithm is slowest on
Fibonacci numbers and it takes only $n$ steps for $\operatorname{gcd}\left(\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{n}+1}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{n}}\right)$ "

Now $r_{1} \geq 1$ and each $q_{k}$ must be $\geq 1$. If we replace all the $q_{k}$ 's by 1 and replace $r_{1}$ by 1 , we can only reduce the $r_{k}$ 's. After that reduction, $r_{k}=f_{k}$ for every $k$.

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We go by strong induction on $n$.
Let $P(n)$ be " $g c d(a, b)$ with $a \geq b>0$ takes $n$ steps $\rightarrow a \geq f_{n+1}$ " for all $n \geq 1$.
Base Case: $n=1$ Suppose Euclid's Algorithm with $a \geq b>0$ takes 1 step. By assumption, $a \geq b \geq 1=f$ so $P(1)$ holds.
$\mathrm{n}=2$ Suppose Euclid's Algorithm with $\mathrm{a} \geq \mathrm{b}>0$ takes 2 steps.
Then $a=q b+r$
$b=q^{\prime} r+0$ for $r \geq 1$.
Since $a \geq b>0$, we must have $q \geq 1$ and $b \geq 1$ so $a=q b+r \geq b+r \geq 1+1=2=f_{3}$ and $P(2)$ holds

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So since $k, k-1 \geq 1$, by the IH we have $b \geq f_{k+1}$ and $r \geq f_{k}$.
Also, since $a \geq b$, we must have $q \geq 1$.
So $a=q b+r \geq b+r \geq f_{k+1}+f_{k}=f_{k+2}$ as required.

## Last time: Recursive definitions of functions

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


## Last time: Recursive definitions of functions

- Recursive functions allow general computation
- saw examples not expressible with simple expressions
- So far, we have considered only simple data
- inputs and outputs were just integers
- We need general data as well...
- these will also be described recursively
- will allow us to describe data of real programs
e.g., strings, lists, trees, expressions, propositions, ...
- We'll start simple: sets of numbers


## Recursive Definitions of Sets (Data)

Natural numbers

| Basis: $\quad 0 \in S$ |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Recursive: | If $x \in S$, then $x+1 \in S$ |

Even numbers ( $\geq 0$ )
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## Recursive Definition of Sets

## Recursive definition of set S

- Basis Step: $0 \in S$
- Recursive Step: If $x \in S$, then $x+2 \in S$
- Exclusion Rule: Every element in $S$ follows from the basis step and a finite number of recursive steps.

We need the exclusion rule because otherwise $S=\mathbb{N}$ would satisfy the other two parts. However, we won't always write it down on these slides.

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Powers of 3:
Basis: $1 \in S$
Recursive: If $x \in S$, then $3 x \in S$.
Basis: $\quad(0,0) \in S,(1,1) \in S$
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"Indexed"
Fibonacci numbers
$\left\{\left(\mathrm{n}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{n}}\right): \mathrm{n} \in \mathbb{N}\right\}$

## Last time: Recursive definitions of functions

- Before, we considered only simple data
- inputs and outputs were just integers
- Proved facts about those functions with induction

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\begin{aligned}
& n!\leq n^{n} \\
& f_{n}<2^{n} \text { and } f_{n} \geq 2^{n / 2-1}
\end{aligned}
$$

- How do we prove facts about functions that work with more complex (recursively defined) data?
- we need a more sophisticated form of induction


## Structural Induction

How to prove $\forall x \in S, P(x)$ is true:

Base Case: Show that $P(u)$ is true for all specific elements $u$ of $S$ mentioned in the Basis step

Inductive Hypothesis: Assume that $P$ is true for some arbitrary values of each of the existing named elements mentioned in the Recursive step

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## Structural Induction vs. Ordinary Induction

Structural induction follows from ordinary induction:

Define $Q(n)$ to be "for all $x \in S$ that can be constructed in at most $n$ recursive steps, $P(x)$ is true."

Ordinary induction is a special case of structural induction:

Recursive definition of $\mathbb{N}$
Basis: $0 \in \mathbb{N}$
Recursive step: If $k \in \mathbb{N}$ then $k+1 \in \mathbb{N}$

## Using Structural Induction

- Let $S$ be given by...
- Basis: $6 \in S ; 15 \in S$
- Recursive: if $x, y \in S$ then $x+y \in S$.

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Since $P(x)$ is true, $3 \mid x$ and so $x=3 m$ for some integer $m$ and since $P(y)$ is true, $3 \mid y$ and so $y=3 n$ for some integer $n$.
Therefore $x+y=3 m+3 n=3(m+n)$ and thus $3 \mid(x+y)$.
Hence $P(x+y)$ is true.
5. Therefore by induction $3 \mid x$ for all $x \in S$.

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## More Structural Induction

- Let $R$ be given by...
- Basis: $12 \in R ; 15 \in R$
- Recursive: if $x \in R$, then $x+6 \in R$ and $x+15 \in R$
- Two base cases and two recursive cases, one existing element.

Claim: $R \subseteq S$; i.e. every element of $R$ is also in $S$.
Proof needs structural induction using definition
of $R$ since statement is of the form $\forall x \in R . P(x)$

## Claim: Every element of $R$ is in $S .(R \subseteq S)$

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