CSE 390Z: Mathematics for Computation Workshop

QuickCheck: Induction Solutions

Please submit a response to the following questions on Gradescope. We do not grade on accuracy, so please submit your best attempt. You may either typeset your responses or hand-write them. Note that hand-written solutions must be legible to be graded.

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0. Induction

Prove by induction that for all integers $n \ge 1$:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} 5i = \frac{5n(n+1)}{2}$$

Solution:

1. Let P(n) be the statement $\sum_{i=1}^{n} 5i = \frac{5n(n+1)}{2}$. We prove P(n) for all integers $n \ge 1$ by induction.

2. Base Case: When n = 1, the left-hand side is 5 * n = 5 * 1 = 5. The right-hand side is $\frac{5n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{5(1+1)}{2} = \frac{5 * 2}{2} = 5$. Since 5 = 5, the base case holds.

3. Inductive Hypothesis: Suppose that P(k) holds for some arbitrary integer $k \ge 1$. Then $\sum_{i=1}^{k} 5i = \frac{5k(k+1)}{2}$.

4. Inductive Step: Observe that ...

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} 5i = (\sum_{i=1}^{k} 5i) + 5(k+1)$$
Definition of Sum
$$= \frac{5k(k+1)}{2} + 5(k+1)$$
By IH
$$= \frac{5k(k+1)}{2} + \frac{10(k+1)}{2}$$
Algebra
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Thus $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} 5i = \frac{5(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$. So P(k+1) holds.

5. Thus we have proven P(n) for all integers $n \ge 1$ by induction.

1. Video Solution

Watch this solution video after making an initial attempt. Then, answer the following questions.

- (a) What is one thing you took away from the video solution?
- (b) On Tuesday, May 9th, we will do a full simulated 311 midterm in workshop. What is one thing you plan to do, or have already done, to prepare for the 311 midterm?