

Math 415

Book of Proof

ch 10 Induction 10(1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 12, 16, 25, 26, 30)

Due Next Wed.

for well ordered sets of $e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, \dots$

for propositional function $P(x)$: "x has predicate P"
testable property

want to say all elements of u.d. have $P(x)$ is true.

$\forall n P(e_n)$ is true

up to now we did finite cases... ∞ cases!

ex. all numbers that are not divisible by 3
have ... (Predicate)

1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11 ... is ∞

but they are really

$3k+1$
case 1

$3k+2$
case 2 $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

what about $\forall n P(e_n)$ where we can not

find finite cases?!

Induction works only for a well ordered set of elements.

$e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, \dots$

For a well ordered set e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots the following is always true.

$$\left\{ \underbrace{P(e_1) \wedge \forall k \left[\underbrace{P(e_1) \wedge P(e_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(e_k)} \rightarrow P(e_{k+1}) \right]} \right\} \rightarrow \forall n \underbrace{P(e_n)}$$

Proof of $\forall n P(e_n)$ by induction is to show

① Base Step Show $P(e_1)$ is true

② Inductive Step

by Direct
Proof

Assume $P(e_1) \wedge P(e_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(e_k)$ are true
 Show $P(e_{k+1})$ is true.

Inductive hypothesis

Note: (a) if when you show $P(e_{k+1})$ is true and you only used the truth of $P(e_k)$

call this weak induction

(b) if you need cases besides $P(e_k)$ call it strong induction

contradiction / (smallest counter example)

Assume $P(e_1) \wedge P(e_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(e_k)$ all true and $P(e_{k+1})$ is false

e_{k+1} is the smallest counter example.

show we get some $q \wedge \neg q = \text{F}$

Example

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

Gauss' Proof:

$$\text{Let } S = (1) + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n) \\ S = n + (n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 1$$

gives

$$2S = (n+1) + (n+1) + \dots + (n+1) = n(n+1)$$

gives

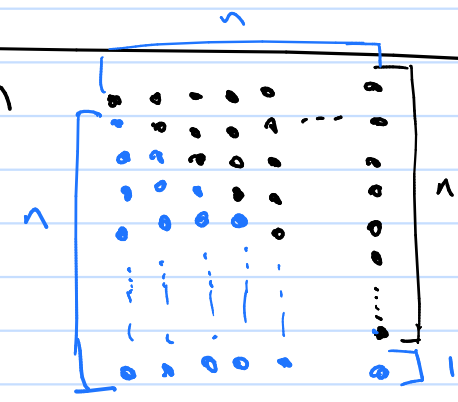
$$S = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

geom proof:

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + n \\ n + (n-1) + (n-2) + \dots + 1$$

$$\text{Area} = n(n+1)$$

$$\text{so } \frac{1}{2} \text{ Area} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$



Induktion?

$$"1 + 2 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}" : P(n)$$

$$e_1 : (n=1)$$

$$P(1) : "1 = \frac{1(1+1)}{2}"$$

$$e_2 : (n=2)$$

$$P(2) : "1 + 2 = \frac{2(2+1)}{2}"$$

$$e_3 : (n=3)$$

$$P(3) : "1 + 2 + 3 = \frac{3(3+1)}{2}"$$

$$e_4 : (n=4)$$

$$P(4) : "1 + 2 + 3 + 4 = \frac{4(4+1)}{2}"$$

⋮

$$e_k : (n=k)$$

$$P(k) : "1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + k = \frac{k(k+1)}{2}"$$

$$e_{k+1} : (n=k+1)$$

$$P(k+1) : "1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k+1) = \frac{(k+1)(k+1+1)}{2}"$$

⋮

Scratch

Base Step

Show " $1 = \frac{1(1+1)}{2}$ " is true (it is!)

Inductive Step

Assume $P(e_1) \wedge P(e_2) \wedge \dots \wedge P(e_k)$ are all true.

$P(e_k)$ so

$$1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + k = \frac{k(k+1)}{2} \text{ is true}$$

$$1 + 2 + \dots + k + (k+1) = \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + \frac{(k+1)}{1}$$

$$1 + 2 + \dots + (k+1) = \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + \frac{2(k+1)}{2}$$

$$1 + 2 + \dots + (k+1) = \frac{k(k+1) + 2(k+1)}{2}$$

$P(k+1)$ $1 + 2 + \dots + (k+1) = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$ □

(vs) Inductive Step

we need an equality to be true...

what? $1 + 2 + \dots + k + (k+1) \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$

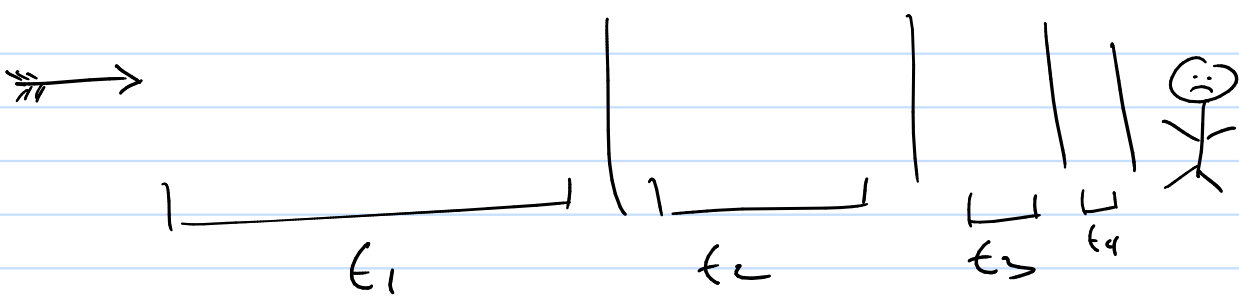
$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k+1)$$

$$\stackrel{\textcircled{=}}{=} (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k+1)$$

by I.H.

$$\stackrel{\textcircled{=}}{=} \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + (k+1) \stackrel{\textcircled{=}}{=} \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + \frac{2(k+1)}{2}$$

$$\stackrel{\textcircled{=}}{=} \frac{k(k+1) + 2(k+1)}{2} \stackrel{\textcircled{=}}{=} \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$$



$$t_1 + t_2 + t_3 + t_4 + \dots$$

1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$
		$\frac{1}{4}$	
		1	

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \dots = 1$$

$$| + | + | + | + \dots \quad \infty$$

$$| + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots \quad \infty$$

$$P(n): "1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} \geq 1 + \frac{n}{2}"$$

Proof:

$$P(n=0): "1 \geq 1 + \frac{0}{2}" \quad \text{Basis Step: is it true?}$$

$$P(n=1): "1 + \frac{1}{2} \geq 1 + \frac{1}{2}"$$

$$P(n=2): "1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \geq 1 + \frac{2}{2}"$$

$$P(n=3): "1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{8} \geq 1 + \frac{3}{2}"$$

$$\vdots$$

$$P(n=k): "1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^k} \geq 1 + \frac{k}{2}"$$

$$P(n=k+1): "1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^k} + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} + \frac{1}{2^{k+2}} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{k+2k}} \geq 1 + \frac{k+1}{2}"$$

$\frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$

Finish!