

Induction

"Every day Sun comes up"

$\forall n \geq 1$ $P(n)$: "Sun comes up on day n "

$n=0$
Sun
forms

$n=1$
Sun
up

$n \geq 2$
Sun
up

$n = M$
present
day
Sun
up

$M+1$
tomorrow
Sun
up

prove $P(n)$ by induction

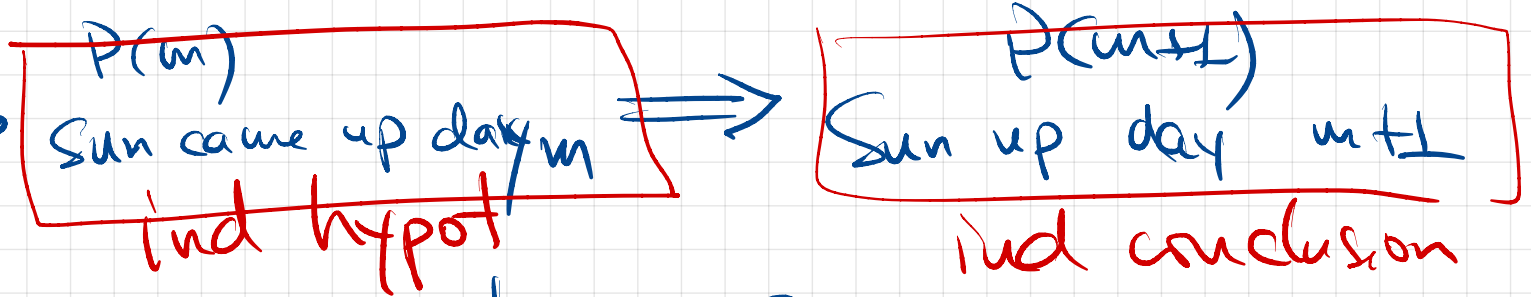
① $P(0) \Rightarrow P(1) \Rightarrow P(2) \dots \Rightarrow P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1) \Rightarrow \dots$
induction steps (implications, chain of implications)

② true at
start ($n=0$)

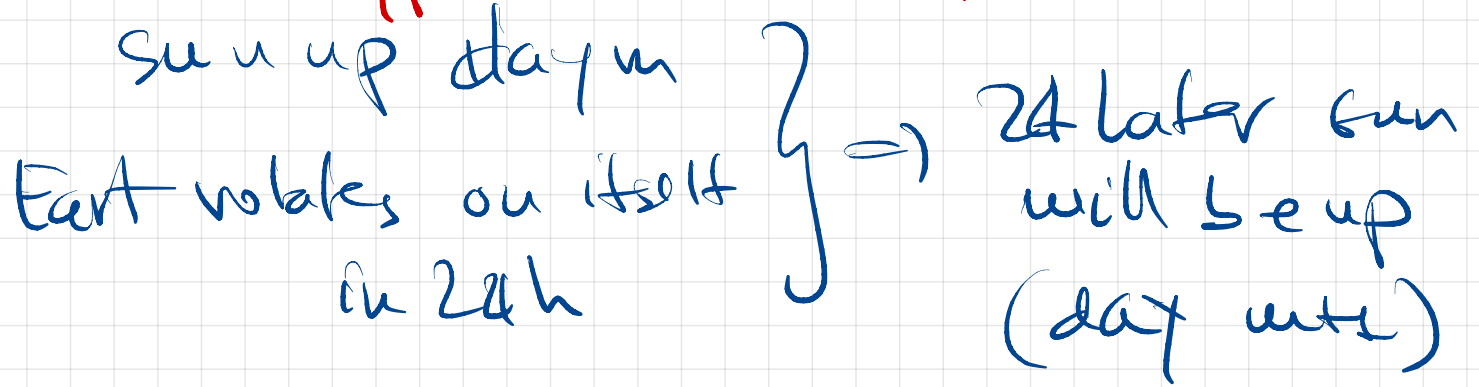
in general

$P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$
 $\forall n$

◦ ind step



proof ☺



INDUCTION TYPES

- Sum / Series / Arithmetic properties
- Strong induction
- Structural Induction (not algebra)

IND 1

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

S_n

predict $P(n)$

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

$\forall n \geq 1$

ind step $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$ weak induction

$$\underbrace{S_n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}}_{\text{old customer}} \Rightarrow \underbrace{S_{n+1} = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}}_{\text{new customer}}$$

proof
start
new customer

$$S_{n+1} = \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} k = \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^n k}_{S_n} + (n+1)$$

use ind hyp

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

wishful thinking

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} + (n+1) \stackrel{\text{want}}{=} \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2} \quad | \times 2$$

$$n(n+1) + 2n+2 \stackrel{? \text{ want}}{=} (n+1)(n+2) \quad | \quad (1)$$

$$n^2 + n + 2n + 2 \stackrel{\text{want}}{=} n^2 + n + 2n + 2$$

Alternative (not want) ✓

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

base case
(plug in,
verify)

$$n=1 \quad S_1 = \frac{1 \cdot 2}{2}$$

$$1 = \frac{1 \cdot 2}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

IND 2

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{1}{n+1}$$

Ind Ste $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1} \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \frac{n+1}{n+2}$

proof new custom $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i(i+1)} + \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)}$

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

want $\frac{n+1}{n+2}$

want $n(n+2) + 1$

want $(n+1)^2$

want $n^2 + 2n + 1$

base case $n=1$ $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{2} \checkmark$

No induction
proof on T_n

$$T_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(i+1)} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{i} - \frac{1}{i+1} \right) =$$

$$\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{9} - \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{11} + \frac{1}{11} - \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{12} - \frac{1}{13} + \frac{1}{13} - \frac{1}{14} + \frac{1}{14} - \frac{1}{15} + \frac{1}{15} - \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16} - \frac{1}{17} + \frac{1}{17} - \frac{1}{18} + \frac{1}{18} - \frac{1}{19} + \frac{1}{19} - \frac{1}{20} =$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{n+1} = \frac{n}{n+1}$$

IND3

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2$$

$$\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \quad n \geq 1$$

P(n):
 $S_n = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$

ind step

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \implies \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} k^2 = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)(2n+3)}{6}$$

proof:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} k^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + (n+1)^2 =$$

base case
 $n=1$
 $\sum_{k=1}^1 k^2 = 1^2 = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot (2+1)}{6} \checkmark$

ind
hyp

$$\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + (n+1)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{(n+1)(n+2)(2n+3)}{6}$$

$$n(2n+1) + 6(n+1) \stackrel{?}{=} (n+2)(2n+3) \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \div (n+1) \\ \times 6 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2n^2 + n + 6n + 6 &\stackrel{?}{=} 2n^2 + 4n + 3n + 6 \\ 2n^2 + 7n + 6 &\stackrel{?}{=} 2n^2 + 7n + 6 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

INDA Strong induction.

$\forall n \geq 12$ n cents can be obtained with coin 4c, 5c
 $P(n)$

ind
step

$$P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+4)$$

old customer new customer

proof

$$n+4 \text{ cents} = n \text{ cents} + 4 \text{ cents}$$

$$\text{coins needed}(n+4 \text{ cents}) = \text{coins}(n \text{ cents}) + 1 \text{ coin (4c)}$$

ind hyp $P(n)$

$$P(12) \Rightarrow P(16) \Rightarrow P(20) \Rightarrow P(24) \Rightarrow \dots$$

$$P(13) \Rightarrow P(17) \Rightarrow P(21) \Rightarrow P(25) \Rightarrow \dots$$

$$P(14) \Rightarrow P(18) \Rightarrow P(22) \Rightarrow P(26) \Rightarrow \dots$$

$$P(15) \Rightarrow P(19) \Rightarrow P(23) \Rightarrow P(27) \Rightarrow \dots$$

base cases: $12 = 4 + 4 + 4$

$$13 = 4 + 4 + 5$$

$$14 = 5 + 5 + 4$$

$$15 = 5 + 5 + 5$$

INDS $\sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^i \cdot i^2 = (-1)^n \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

$i=1 \quad -1^2 + 2^2 - 3^2 + 4^2 - 5^2 \dots$

ind step $\sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^i i^2 = (-1)^n \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \xrightarrow{\text{weak}} \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (-1)^i i^2 = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}$

proof $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (-1)^i i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^i i^2 + (-1)^{n+1} (n+1)^2$

new customer

exercise base case

ind step $(-1)^n \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + (-1)^{n+1} (n+1)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} (-1)^{n+1} \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}$

$n + (-1)(n+1) \cdot 2 \stackrel{?}{=} (-1)(n+2)$

$n - 2n - 2 \stackrel{?}{=} \checkmark -n - 2$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} (-1)^n \\ \times 2 \\ (-1)^{n+1} \end{array} \right\}$

IND 6 $\forall n \geq 7$

$$n! > 3^n > 2^n > n^2 > n \log_2(n) > n > \log_2(n)$$

proof (partial)

$$n! > 3^n > 2^n > n^2 > n \log_2(n) > n > \log_2(n)$$

ind step

$$(n+1)! > 3^{n+1} > 2^{n+1} > (n+1)^2 > (n+1) \log_2(n+1) > n+1 > \log_2(n+1)$$

proof

$$(n+1)! = n! (n+1) \stackrel{IH}{>} 3^n (n+1) > 3^n \cdot 3 = 3^{n+1}$$

$$3^n - 3 > 2^n \cdot 3 > 2^n \cdot 2 = 2^{n+1}$$

$$2^{n+1} = 2^n \cdot 2 \stackrel{IH}{>} n^2 \cdot 2 = n^2 + n^2 \geq n^2 + 7n = n^2 + 2n + 5n > n^2 + 2n + 1 = (n+1)^2$$

$$2^{n+1} > n^2 \Rightarrow (n+1) > \log_2(n^2) \Rightarrow \log_2(7n) = \log_2(n+6n) \geq \log_2(n+1)$$

$$(n+1) > \log_2(n+1) \Rightarrow (n+1)^2 > (n+1) \log(n+1)$$

base case $n=7, 8$

(IND7) $5 \mid 8^n - 3^n \quad \forall n \geq 1$

ind step $5 \mid 8^n - 3^n \implies 5 \mid 8^{n+1} - 3^{n+1}$

proof $8^{n+1} - 3^{n+1} = \underbrace{8}_{5+3} 8^n - 3 \cdot 3^n =$ old customer

new customer

$$= 5 \cdot 8^n + \boxed{3 \cdot 8^n - 3 \cdot 3^n}$$

$$= 5 \cdot 8^n + 3(8^n - 3^n) =$$

It: multiple of 5

$$= 5 \cdot 8^n + 5k = 5(8^n + k) = \text{multiple of } 5$$

base case $n=1 \quad 5 \mid 8-3 \quad \checkmark$

(IND8)

$$10^n = a^2 + b^2$$

$$n \geq 1$$

Weak
 $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+1)$
fails

Strong induction

ind step $P(n) \Rightarrow P(n+2)$

proof : $10^{n+2} = 10^n \cdot 10^2 \stackrel{IH}{=} (a^2 + b^2) \cdot 10^2 =$
 $= (10a)^2 + (10b)^2$ sum of two squares.

$$P(1) \Rightarrow P(3) \Rightarrow P(5) \Rightarrow \dots$$

$$P(2) \Rightarrow P(4) \Rightarrow P(6) \Rightarrow P(8) \Rightarrow \dots$$

base cases

$$n=1 \quad 10 = 3^2 + 1^2$$

$$n=2 \quad 100 = 6^2 + 8^2 \quad \checkmark$$