

## principle of mathematical induction (form 1)

Recall sum & product notation from Friday:

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

$$\prod_{j=n}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j-1} = \frac{1}{n-1} \cdot \frac{1}{n-1} \dots \frac{1}{2n-1} \dots \text{etc}$$

"Factorial"  $0! = 1, n! = n \times (n-1)! = n(n-1) \dots 2(1)$   
 $\{n \geq 1\}$

A sequence  $P(1), P(2), \dots$  are true if  $\textcircled{1}$

(i)  $\hookrightarrow P(1)$  is true

(ii)  $\hookrightarrow$  For any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $P(k)$  is true, then  $P(k+1)$  is true.

$P(1)$  is true by (i)

$P(1) \Rightarrow P(2)$  is true by (ii) w/  $k=1$

$P(2)$  is true

$P(2) \Rightarrow P(3)$  by (ii) w/  $k=2$

$P(3)$  is true

In practice, induction argument proceeds as follows:

1. base case: verify  $P(1)$  is true

2. inductive hypothesis: Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  be ARbitrary, Assume  $P(k)$  is true

3. ind conclusion deduce  $P(k+1)$  is true.

$\therefore$  by pom 1.  $P(n)$  holds  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$1. \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$$

d.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N},$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n j^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1) \dots (P(n))$$

Base case:

For  $n=1$ , Have

$$\sum_{j=1}^1 j^2 = 1^2 = 1 = \frac{1}{6}(1)(1+1)(2(1)+1) \checkmark \therefore P(1) \text{ holds}$$

I.H.: Let  $k$  be arbitrary  
Assume  $P(k)$  holds. I.E.

$$\sum_{i=1}^k j^2 = \frac{1}{6}k(k+1)(2k+1) \dots (1+1)$$

ind conclusion:

we want to show  $P(k+1)$  holds, i.e.

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

$$\text{Now, } \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} j^2 = \sum_{j=1}^k j^2 + (k+1)^2$$

|| (I.H)

$$= \frac{1}{6}k(k+1)(2k+1) + (k+1)^2$$

$$= (k+1) \left[ \frac{1}{6}k(2k+1) + (k+1) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(k+1) [k(2k+1) + 6(k+1)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(k+1) [2k^2 + k + 6k + 6]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(k+1)(k+2)(2k+3) \checkmark$$

By inductive hypothesis

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∴ Hence  $P(k+1)$  holds

By POM 1  $P(N)$  holds  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

3  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\prod_{j=2}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{j^2}\right) = \frac{n+1}{2n} \quad (P(n))$$

Base case, For  $n=1$ , have

$$\prod_{j=2}^1 \left(1 - \frac{1}{j^2}\right) = 1 = \frac{1+1}{2 \times 1}$$

so  $P(1)$  holds.

IH Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  be arbitrary, assume  $P(k)$  holds. I.E

$$\prod_{j=2}^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{j^2}\right) = \frac{k+1}{2k} \quad \text{--- (IH)}$$

Induction conclusion: want to show  $P(k+1)$  holds. I.E

$$\prod_{j=2}^{k+1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{j^2}\right) = \frac{k+2}{2(k+1)}$$

Now

$$\prod_{j=2}^{k+1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{j^2}\right) = \left[ \prod_{j=2}^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{j^2}\right) \right] \cdot \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{(k+1)^2} \right]$$

$$= \left( \frac{k+1}{2k} \right) \cdot \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{(k+1)^2} \right]$$

By IH

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

∴ Hence  $P(k+1)$  holds.

4.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 4,$   
 $n! > 2^n \dots P(n)$

Base case: For  $n=4,$

$$4! = 24$$

$$24 > 16 \approx 2^4 \checkmark$$

$$2^4 = 16$$

$\therefore P(4)$  holds

IH

Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}, k \geq 4.$  Assume  $P(k)$  holds,  
I.E.  $k! > 2^k \dots (IH)$

Ind Conc We want to show  $P(k+1)$  holds, I.E.

$$(k+1)! > 2^{k+1}$$

Now,

$$(k+1)! = (k+1)k!$$

$$\begin{matrix} \vee \\ 2^k \end{matrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} a, b, c \geq 0 \\ b \geq c \\ ab \geq ac \end{array} \right]$$

$$> (k+1)2^k$$

By (IH)

~~$$> (k+1)2^k$$~~

$$\therefore k+1 \geq 2$$

Since  $k+1 \geq 2$

(In fact,  $k+1 \geq 3$ )

$$\therefore (k+1)! > 2^{k+1}$$

POM1 "Take 2"

A sequence  $P(1), \dots$  of statements are all true if

(i)  $P(1) \wedge P(2)$  is true.

(ii) For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $P(k) \& P(k+1)$  are true, then  $P(k+2)$  is true.

6. Let  $a_1 = 2$ ,  $a_2 = 3$ , &  $a_{n+2} = 3a_{n+1} - 2a_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$   
prove:  $a_n = 2^{n-1} + 1$  (P(n))

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

Base cases: For  $n=1$

$$a_1 = 2 = 2^{1-1} + 1 \quad \checkmark$$

For  $n=2$

$$a_2 = 3 = 2^{2-1} + 1 \quad \checkmark$$

So  $P(1)$  &  $P(2)$  hold.

I.H.: Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Assume  $P(k)$  &  $P(k+1)$  hold.

$$\text{i.e. } a_k = 2^{k-1} + 1 \quad \& \quad a_{k+1} = 2^k + 1 \quad \dots \quad (\text{I.H.})$$

Ind Conclusion: we want to show  $P(k+2)$  holds, i.e.

$$a_{k+2} = 2^{k+1} + 1$$

Now,

$$a_{k+2} = 3a_{k+1} - 2a_k \quad \text{by definition}$$

$$= 3(a_{k+1}) - 2(2^{k-1} + 1) \quad \text{By (I.H.)}$$

$$= 3 \times 2^k + 3 - 2 \times 2^{k-1} - 2$$

$$= 3 \times 2^k - 2 \cdot 2^{k-1} + 1$$

$$= 2^k(3-1) + 1$$

$$= 2^k \cdot 2 + 1$$

$$= 2^{k+1} + 1$$

$$\underline{\underline{2 \cdot 2^{k-1} = 2^k}}$$

(10)  $\frac{1}{x^2} = x^{-2}$