

Structural induction.

Defs. A base and a recursion (with a restriction)

Ex.

Def. A parenthesis structure is:

(base: 1) $()$, or

(rec: 2a) (E) , where E is a P.S., or

(rec: 2b) EF , where E, F are P.S.'s.

Proofs by induction:

Prove for all cases of the definition.

Ex. ~~Prove that any point in a parenthesis structure,~~
~~between two symbols,~~

Let $f(E, n) = \# \text{open parentheses in first } n \text{ symbols of } E$
 $- \# \text{closed parens in first } n \text{ symbols of } E$.

e.g. $E = ((()())$ what is $f(E, n)$?

Claim. For all P and n , $f(E, n) \geq 0$.

Proof. Base. If $P = ()$, $f(E, 0) = 0$
 $f(E, 1) = 1$

$$f(E, 2) = 0.$$

Recursion. If $P = (E)$, then (let $n = \text{length of } P$)

$$f(P, 0) = 0 \geq 0$$

$$f(P, n) = 0 \geq 0$$

For $1 \leq k \leq n-1$,

$$f(P, k) = 1 + f(E, k-1)$$

≥ 1 . (by induction.)

If $P = EF$, let $r = \text{length of } E$, $s = \text{length of } F$.

$$f(P, k) = f(E, k) \text{ when } 0 \leq k \leq r$$

$$f(P, k) = f(F, k-r) \text{ when } r \leq k \leq r+s.$$

III - defined recursive functions.

$$G(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=1 \\ 1 + G\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) & \text{if } n \text{ even} \\ G(3n-1) & \text{if } n \text{ odd, } n > 1. \end{cases}$$

Compute $G(1)$ through $G(51)$.

Def. of \mathbb{Z}^+ :

A positive integer is:

(base) 1, or

(recursion) $n+1$, where n is a positive integer.

THIS IS WHY INDUCTION WORKS.

Review.

S. 1. sequences and Σ -notation.

S. 2.3. Intro to induction.

Examples. Any amount of money $\geq 8¢$ from 3, 5¢ coins.

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

$$1 + r + r^2 + \dots + r^n = \frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1}$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n}$$

Divisibility. For all $n \geq 0$, $2^{2n} - 1$ div by 3

$$n^3 - 7n + 3 \quad "$$

$$7^n - 2^n \text{ div by } 5.$$

Inequalities. $1 + 3n \leq 4^n$ for all $n \geq 0$.

$$2^n < (n+1)! \text{ for } n \geq 2.$$

Strong induction. Good for more complicated

e.g. $e_0 = 12, e_1 = 29$

$$e_k = 5e_{k-1} - 6e_{k-2} \text{ for all integers } k \geq 2$$

Prove $e_n = 5 \cdot 3^n + 7 \cdot 2^n$ for $n \geq 0$.

S.5 (skip)

S.6 Recursively defined sequences.

$$F_k : F_0 = F_1 = 1, F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} \text{ for all } n \geq 2.$$

$$C_1 = 1 \text{ and } C_n = \frac{4n-2}{2n+1} C_{n-1}.$$

$$\text{Then } C_n = \frac{(2n)!}{n!(n+1)!}$$

$$\text{and } F_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left[\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^{n+1} \right].$$

Tower of Hanoi: write the recursion yourself!

S.7. Guessing recursions

Sometimes easy. In any case, look for patterns.

(S.8 - More sophisticated guessing)

S.9. Structural.