

another variation:

• strong induction with multiple base cases. To show $\forall n \geq n_0: P(n)$

I. $P(n_0), P(n_0+1), \dots, P(n_1)$ are true.

II d. $\forall n > n_1: (P(n_0) \wedge \dots \wedge P(n-1)) \Rightarrow P(n)$

Ex.

$\forall n \geq 8:$

$\exists x, y \geq 0$ such that $n = 3x + 5y$

note: ^{some of} $P(1), P(2), \dots, P(7)$ are all false.

P-001.

I. $P(8)$ is true since $8 = 3 \cdot 1 + 5 \cdot 1$

$P(9)$ " " " $9 = 3 \cdot 3 + 5 \cdot 0$

$P(10)$ " " " $10 = 3 \cdot 0 + 5 \cdot 2$

II d. $\forall n > 10: (P(8) \wedge \dots \wedge P(n-1)) \Rightarrow P(n)$

Let $n > 10$ be arbitrary. Assume

for all k in the range $8 \leq k < n$

that there exist $x_k, y_k \geq 0$ s.t.,

$$k = 3x_k + 5y_k.$$

we must show that

$$n = 3x + 5y$$

for some $x, y \geq 0$.

Since $n > 10 \Rightarrow n \geq 11 \Rightarrow n-3 \geq 8$,
 The ind. hyp. provides $x' \geq 0, y' \geq 0$
 such that

$$n-3 = 3x' + 5y'$$

Let $x = x' + 1$ and $y = y'$. Then

$$n = (n-3) + 3$$

$$= 3x' + 5y' + 3 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{by ind.} \\ \text{hyp.} \end{array} \right.$$

$$= 3(x' + 1) + 5y'$$

$$= 3x + 5y.$$

Result follows for all $n \geq 8$ by
 2nd P.M.I.

QED

when should we use strong induction? It depends on which domino(s) topple the n^{th} domino.

If the domino to be toppled requires anything other than the immediately preceding domino, use strong induction.

Theorem (Binomial Thm.)

Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$\forall n \geq 0 : (x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$$

$\uparrow$
 $\binom{n}{k}$

we use weak ind. form II b, and
Pascal's identity:

$$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \binom{n-1}{k} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq n$$

P-roof:

$$\text{I. } P(0) \text{ says } (x+y)^0 = \sum_{k=0}^0 \binom{0}{k} x^{0-k} y^k,$$

$$\text{i.e. } (x+y)^0 = \binom{0}{0} \cdot x^0 y^0, \text{ i.e. } 1 = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{II b. } \forall n > 0 : P(n-1) \Rightarrow P(n).$$

Let $n > 0$. Assume

$$(x+y)^{n-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^{n-1-k} y^k$$

we must show:

$$(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$$

we have

$$(x+y)^n = (x+y)^{n-1} \cdot (x+y)$$

$$= \left(\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^{n-1-k} y^k \right) \cdot (x+y) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{by the} \\ \text{ind.} \\ \text{hyp.} \end{array} \right.$$

$$= x \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^{n-1-k} y^k + y \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^{n-1-k} y^k$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^{n-k} y^k + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^{n-1-k} y^{k+1}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^{n-k} y^k + \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n-1}{k-1} x^{n-1-(k-1)} y^{(k-1)+1}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^{n-k} y^k + \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n-1}{k-1} x^{n-k} y^k$$

$$= \binom{n-1}{0} x^n y^0 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$$

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k-1} x^{n-k} y^k + \binom{n-1}{n-1} x^0 y^n$$

$$= \binom{n-1}{0} x^n y^0 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[\binom{n-1}{k} + \binom{n-1}{k-1} \right] x^{n-k} y^k + \binom{n-1}{n-1} x^0 y^n$$

$$= \binom{n}{0} x^n y^0 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k + \binom{n}{n} x^0 y^n$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k.$$

Result follows for all $n \geq 0$
by 1st P.M.I.



Recursion

many sequences can be defined efficiently by recursion:

- (1) define a finite set of base objects
- (2) specify rule(s) for constructing new objects from existing ones.

By applying (1) and (2) repeatedly, we construct a seq. of objects.

Ex. Fibonacci Sequence

$$\textcircled{1} \begin{cases} F_1 = 1 \\ F_2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \begin{cases} F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} \quad (\text{for } n \geq 3) \end{cases}$$

so

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$$\begin{array}{cccccccc} F_1 & F_2 & F_3 & F_4 & F_5 & F_6 & F_7 & F_8 & \dots \\ \text{"} & \text{"} & \text{"} & \text{"} & \text{"} & \text{"} & \text{"} & \text{"} & \\ (1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, \dots) \end{array}$$

Pr. $\forall n \geq 1 : \boxed{\sum_{k=1}^n F_{2k-1} = F_{2n}} \leftarrow P(n)$

$$n=1 : F_1 = F_2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$n=2 : F_1 + F_3 = F_4 \quad \checkmark$$

$$n=3 : F_1 + F_3 + F_5 = F_6 \quad \checkmark$$

$$n=4 : F_1 + F_3 + F_5 + F_7 = F_8 \quad \checkmark$$

Proof.

I. $P(1)$ says $1=1$, which is true.

II b. $\forall n > 1 : P(n-1) \Rightarrow P(n)$.

Let $n > 1$. Assume, for this n , that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} F_{2k-1} = F_{2n-2}.$$

we must show

$$\sum_{k=1}^n F_{2k-1} = F_{2n}.$$

we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^n F_{2k-1} = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} F_{2k-1} \right) + F_{2n-1}$$

$$= F_{2n-2} + F_{2n-1} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{by the} \\ \text{incl.} \\ \text{hyp.} \end{array} \right.$$

$$= F_{2n} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{by the} \\ \text{Fibonacci Rec.} \end{array} \right.$$

Result follows by 1st P.M.I.

Ex.

$$\forall n \geq 1: \sum_{k=1}^n F_k \cdot F_{k+1} = \begin{cases} F_{n+1}^2 & n \text{ odd} \\ F_n \cdot F_{n+2} & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

↖ $P(n)$

$$n=1: F_1 F_2 = F_1^2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$n=2: F_1 F_2 + F_2 F_3 = F_2 F_4 \quad \checkmark$$

⋮

Proof.

I. $P(1)$ says $F_1 F_2 = F_1^2$, i.e. $1=1$. ✓

II b. $\forall n > 1 : P(n-1) \Rightarrow P(n)$.

Let $n > 1$. Assume

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} F_k \cdot F_{k+1} = \begin{cases} F_n^2 & n \text{ even} \\ F_{n-1} F_{n+1} & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

we must show:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n F_k F_{k+1} = \begin{cases} F_{n+1}^2 & n \text{ odd} \\ F_n F_{n+2} & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

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$$\sum_{k=1}^n F_k F_{k+1} = \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} F_k F_{k+1} \right) + F_n F_{n+1}$$

$$= \begin{cases} F_n^2 & (n \text{ even}) \\ F_{n-1} F_{n+1} & (n \text{ odd}) \end{cases} + F_n F_{n+1}$$

$$= \begin{cases} F_n^2 + F_n F_{n+1} & (n \text{ even}) \\ F_{n-1} F_{n+1} + F_n F_{n+1} & (n \text{ odd}) \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} F_n (F_n + F_{n+1}) & (n \text{ even}) \\ (F_{n-1} + F_n) F_{n+1} & (n \text{ odd}) \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} F_{n+1}^2 & (n \text{ odd}) \\ F_n F_{n+2} & (n \text{ even}) \end{cases}$$

Result follow by 1st P.M.I.

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