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complete induction

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Using Introduction to the Theory of Computation,
Section 1.3

Outline

Principle of complete induction

Examples of complete induction

Complete Induction

another flavour needed

Every natural number greater than 1 has a prime factorization

Handwritten prime factorizations:

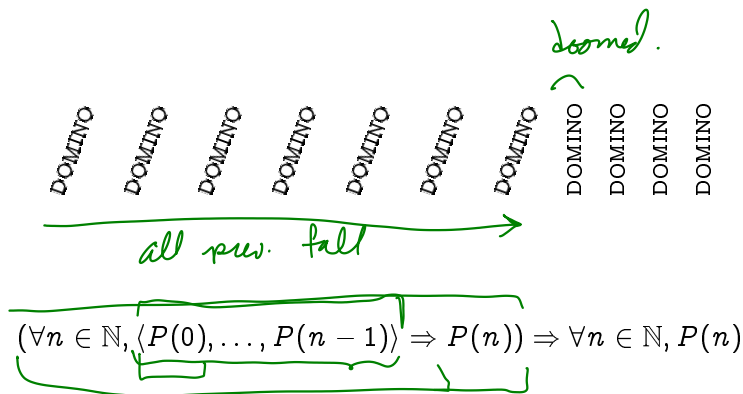
- $2 = 2$
- $3 = 3$ (circled in green)
- $4 = 2 \times 2$
- $5 = 5$
- $6 = 2 \times 3$
- $7 = 7$
- $8 = 2 \times 2 \times 2$
- $9 = 3 \times 3$ (circled in green)

A bracket groups the equations for 7, 8, and 9. A green arrow points from the circled '3 = 3' to the circled '3 x 3' in the equation for 9.

Try some examples

How does the factorization of 8 help with the factorization of 9?

More dominoes



If all the previous cases always implies the current case
then all cases are true

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Assume $n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0, 1\}$, and that $P(j)$ is true for all natural numbers $1 < j < n$.

Case 1 n is prime. Then $n = n$ is its own prime factorization.

Case 2, n is not prime. Then n has at least 3 divisors in \mathbb{N} , $1, n$, and $x \notin \{1, n\}$.

Then $1 < x < n$. Also $y = n/x$ is $\in \mathbb{N}$ and $1 < y < n$. (why?) So $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$, $1 < x, y < n$, so $P(x)$ and $P(y)$ are true, by assumption (IH), so they have prime factorizations, that

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$$x = p_{x_1} \times \dots \times p_{x_k}, \quad y = p_{y_1} \times \dots \times p_{y_i}$$

So $n = xy = p_{x_1} \times \dots \times p_{x_k} \times p_{y_1} \times \dots \times p_{y_i}$, so

n has a prime factorization.

Since, in both possible cases, n has a prime factorization, $P(n)$ follows.

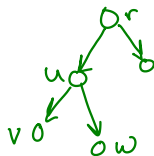
So, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0, 1\}$, if $P(j)$ holds for every $j \in \mathbb{N} \ 1 < j < n$, then $P(n)$ follows.

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0, 1\}$, $P(n)$ by CI

Conclude

Trees

definitions, page 32

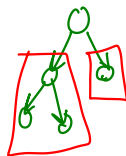
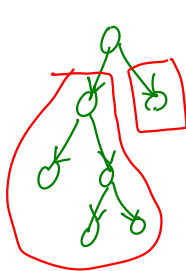
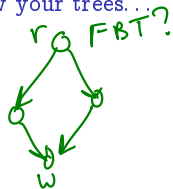


- ▶ A tree is a directed graph
- ▶ A non-empty tree has a root node, r , such that there is exactly one path from r to any other node.
- ▶ If a tree has an edge (u, v) , then u is v 's parent, v is u 's child.
- ▶ Two nodes with the same parent are called siblings.
- ▶ A node with no children is called a leaf. A non-leaf is called an internal node.
- ▶ Binary trees have nodes with ≤ 2 children, and children are labelled either left or right.
- ▶ Internal nodes of full binary trees have 2 children.

FBT

Tree examples

know your trees...



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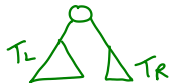
$(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, (P(1), \dots, P(n-1)) \Rightarrow P(n)) \Rightarrow \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, P(n)$

Assume n is a natural number greater than 0, and that if T is a FBT with i nodes, and $0 < i < n$, then i is odd. MUST show that if there is a FBT with n nodes, then n is odd.

Suppose T is a FBT with n nodes.

Case 1 $n=1$. If there is a FBT with $n=1$ node, then $n=1$ is odd

Case 2, $n > 1$ Then the root has exactly 2 children and they are roots of FBT (non-empty), call them T_L and T_R with j_L nodes in T_L and j_R nodes in T_R .



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\Rightarrow Since T_L is non empty $j_L > 0$, similarly $j_R > 0$ also, since j_L and j_R are pos. number that add to $n-1$, $j_L, j_R < n$, so IH applies and j_L, j_R are odd so $n = j_L + j_R + 1$ is odd.

Since claim hold in both possible cases, every non-empty FBT with n nodes has n odd.

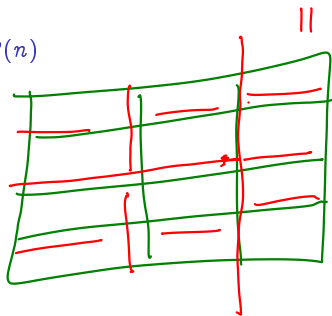
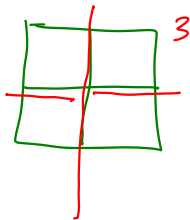
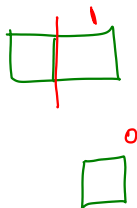
Since assumed only $n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$, and if T is FBT with i nodes, $0 < i < n$, and then derived $P(i)$, - this shows $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}, P(i) \forall 0 < i < n \Rightarrow P(n)$.

Conclude: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}, P(n)$.



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0 ✓
1 ✗
2 ✗
3 ✓
4 ✗
5 ✓
6 ✓

7 ✗

8 ✓
9 ✓
10 ✓
11 ✓
12 ✓
13 ✓

14 ✓
15 ✓
16
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Base Case 8 at least
9, 10?

Suppose we have postage for n , and it includes at least 1 5¢ stamp.

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option 1 Single base case $P(8)$,
but two cases for $n = 5 + \text{something}$
or $n = 3 \times \text{something}$.

option 2 either 3 or 5 (!) base
cases, argue by ~~the~~ complete
induction that you can add
 $i + 3 = n$, if $n - 3 \geq 8$ or
 $j + 5 = n$, if $n - 5 \geq 8$

