

Announcements: Quiz, Equatio, Plickers, Questionnaire

## Outline of Course

### 1. Writing Proofs

- Induction
- Constructive
- Direct
- Contradiction
- Contrapositive

We'll start here, to whet your appetite  
 ← One of the most powerful tools in C.S. tool box

### 2. Important Math for C.S. (and life!)

- counting & combinatorics
- graphs
- number theory
- probability
- growth of functions
- finite state machines

## Motivating Proofs

Q: When you write a program, how do you tell if it works correctly?

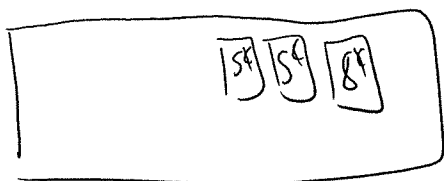
- Try examples
- Trace variable values
- Use debugging tools
- Think logically
- See if got an "A"

Better approach: Proof: formal method of arguing a statement is true

↑  
 "My program outputs correct value"

# Induction

Suppose you have unlimited 5¢ stamps and 8¢ stamps.  
What postage values can you create?



18¢ ✓

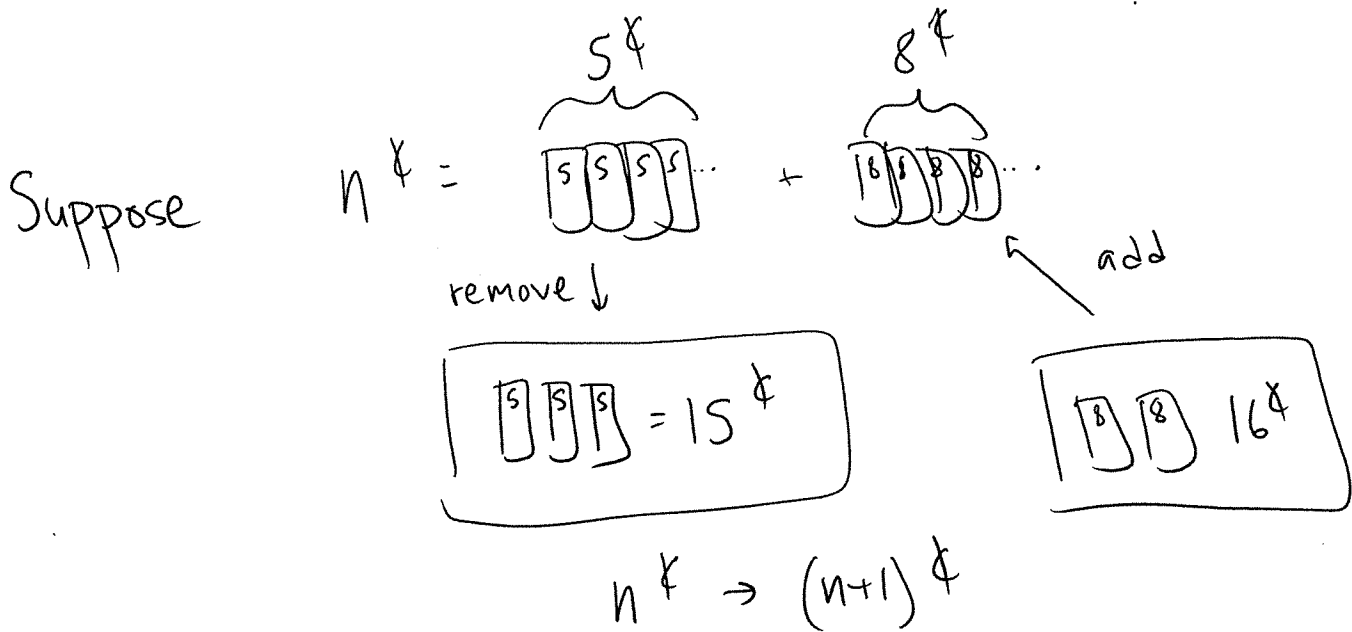
What about 4¢? No!

What about 28¢?

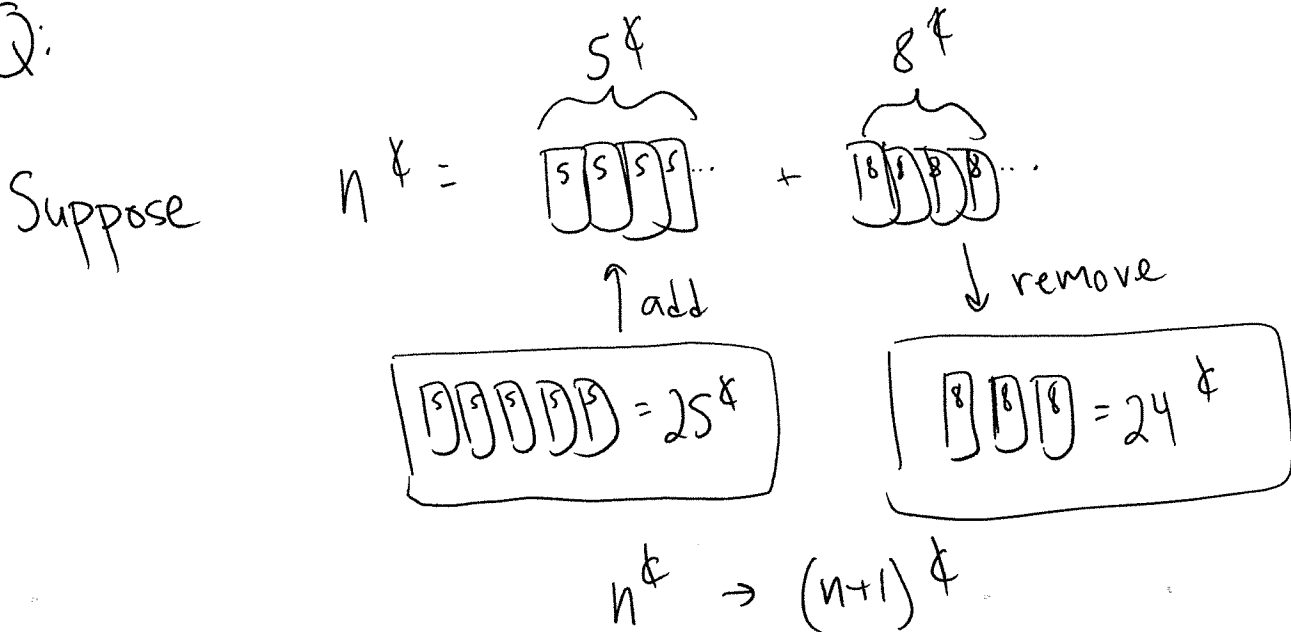
What about  $n$ ¢?



Induction: use old solution to get new solution



Q:



Consequence: If can create  $n \text{¢}$  with at least 3  $\left[ \begin{array}{c} 5 \end{array} \right]$  or at least 3  $\left[ \begin{array}{c} 8 \end{array} \right]$ , can create  $n+1 \text{¢}$

$$28¢ = 4 \cdot \boxed{5} + 1 \cdot \boxed{6}$$

$$29¢ = 1 \cdot \boxed{5} + 3 \cdot \boxed{6}$$

$$30¢ = 6 \cdot \boxed{5}$$

$$31¢ = 3 \cdot \boxed{5} + 2 \cdot \boxed{6}$$

⋮

$$Q: \text{ If } 85,693¢ =$$

$$5,761 \cdot \boxed{5} + 7111 \cdot \boxed{6}$$

then can create

$$85,694¢ \text{ as}$$

$$\underline{5758} \cdot \boxed{5} + \underline{7113} \cdot \boxed{6}$$

or

$$\underline{5766} \cdot \boxed{5} + \underline{7108} \cdot \boxed{6}$$

A) 5759 / 7114

B) 5764 / 7108

C) 5766 / 7108

D) 5758 / 7113

\* Any postage  $\geq 28¢$  is possible

Start at  $28¢ \rightarrow 29¢ \rightarrow 30¢ \dots 85,693¢ \dots$

find first solution, &  
the rest fall into place



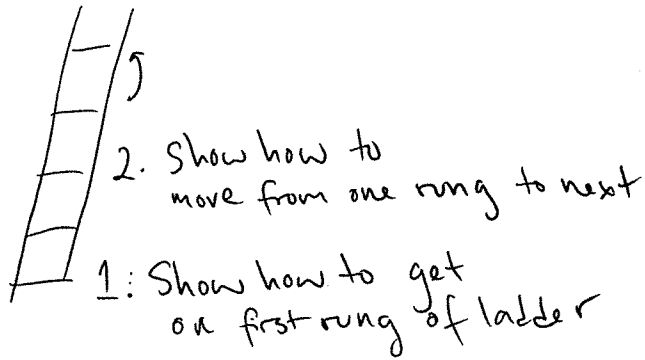
Principle of induction: solution to problem of size  $n$  gives solution to problem of size  $n+1$ .

Needed to have previous solution to get next solution!

Once you get 28<sup>th</sup> solution, we're good.

## Inductive Metaphors

Ladder



## Formal Inductive Proof

Proofs have a unique style/language

- Essay vs. Texting vs. News article vs. lab notebook

↓ ↓ ↓  
all unique styles

This class → proof language.

Induction proof has a recipe, so a bit easier to start with than other proofs

Inductive proof recipe:(Set-up)

Let  $P(n)$  be the predicate  $n^{\text{¢}}$  of postage can be formed from  $5^{\text{¢}}$  and  $8^{\text{¢}}$  stamps.

We will prove, using induction on  $n$ , that  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq \underline{28}$ .

(Base-case)

Base case:  $P(\underline{28})$  is true because \_\_\_\_\_

(Inductive Case)

Inductive case: Let  $k \geq \underline{28}$ . Assume, for induction, that  $P(k)$  is true. That is, we assume we can make  $k^{\text{¢}}$  postage out of  $5^{\text{¢}}$  and  $8^{\text{¢}}$  stamps. Then we will prove  $P(k+1)$  is also true.

First note \_\_\_\_\_

Then \_\_\_\_\_

Plugging in \_\_\_\_\_

Thus  $P(k+1)$  is true

Each sentence  
logically follows  
from previous

(Conclusion)

Therefore, by induction,  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq \underline{\quad}$

Notice:

- Complete sentences or equations
- "we"
- "Let" in setup

" $\neq$ "

Q: Write inductive proof that  $7^n - 1$  is a multiple of 6 for all integers  $n \geq 0$ .

(Hint:  $X$  is a multiple of 6 if  $X = 6 \cdot m$  for some integer  $m$ .)

$\mathbb{P}$  Let  $P(n)$  be the predicate  $7^n - 1$  is a multiple of 6. We will prove via induction that  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq 0$ .

$\mathbb{P}$  Base Case:  $P(0)$  is the statement  $7^0 - 1$  is a multiple of 6.  $7^0 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0 = 0 \cdot 6$ , so the statement is true.

$\mathbb{P}$  Inductive Case: Let  $k \geq 0$ . Assume, for induction, that  $P(k)$  is true. That is, we assume  $7^k - 1$  is a multiple of 6. This means  $7^k - 1 = 6 \cdot m$  for some integer  $m$ . We will prove  $P(k+1)$  is true. Note

$$7^{k+1} - 1 = (7^k - 1) \cdot 7 + 7 - 1 = (7^k - 1) \cdot 7 + 6$$

By our inductive assumption,  $7^k - 1 = 6 \cdot m$ . Thus

$$7^{k+1} - 1 = 6m \cdot 7 + 6 = 6(7m + 1),$$

which is a multiple of 6. Thus  $P(k)$  is true.

Alternative Inductive case:

$\mathbb{P}$  Inductive Case: Let  $k \geq 0$ . Assume, for induction, that  $P(k)$  is true. That is, we assume  $7^k - 1$  is a multiple of 6. This means  $7^k - 1 = 6 \cdot m$  for some integer  $m$ . We will prove  $P(k+1)$  is true. If we multiply both sides by 7, we have

$$(7^k - 1)7 = 7^{k+1} - 7 = 6 \cdot 7 \cdot m$$

Then adding 6 to both sides, we have

$$7^{k+1} - 1 = 6 \cdot 7 \cdot m + 6 = 6(7m + 1).$$

Thus  $7^{k+1} - 1$  is a multiple of 6, and  $P(k+1)$  is true.

$\mathbb{P}$  Therefore, by induction on  $n$ ,  $P(n)$  is true for all  $n \geq 0$ .