

Comp Sci 212

1. Iff
2. Contradiction
3. Induction

Iff $\rightarrow$ Proving both implication and converse
 $\downarrow$
 If P then Q If Q then P
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 P if and only if Q $\rightarrow$ both If P then Q and If Q then P
 $\downarrow$
 P iff Q

Theorem. For $a, b \geq 0$,

$$\frac{a+b}{2} = \sqrt{ab} \text{ iff } a=b. \text{ If } a=b \text{ then } \frac{a+b}{2} = \sqrt{ab} \text{ iff } a=b.$$

Proof. If $a=b$, then $\frac{a+b}{2} = a$, $\sqrt{ab} = a$ so both are equal.
 $\frac{a+b}{2} = \sqrt{ab} \iff a^2+2ab+b^2=4ab \iff a^2-2ab+b^2=0 \iff (a-b)^2=0 \iff a-b=0 \iff a=b$ (after $\sqrt{}$)

Can combine iff's
 (in above proof, only need the second part.)

Def. x is even if $\frac{x}{2}$ is an integer

Def. x is odd if $\frac{x-1}{2}$ is an integer.

Thm. Let x be an integer. Then x is even iff x^2 is even.

Proof. If x is even, $\frac{x}{2} = k$ where k is an integer, therefore $\frac{x^2}{4} = k^2$, or $\frac{x^2}{2} = 2k^2$.
 Therefore x^2 is even, since $2k^2 = \frac{x^2}{2}$ is an integer.

For other direction, do contrapositive, if x is odd, then x^2 is odd.

If x is odd, $\frac{x-1}{2} = k$ where k is an integer,

$$\text{therefore } \frac{x^2-2x+1}{4} = k^2 \text{ i.e. } \frac{x^2-1}{2} = 2k^2 \iff x-1.$$

$2k^2+x-1$ is an integer, so x^2 is odd.

Contradiction. P is true $\rightarrow$ If not P then Q
 If not P then not Q

Theorem $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational.

Proof. Use contradiction, assume $\sqrt{2}$ is rational, $\sqrt{2} = \frac{m}{n}$ for some integers m, n . $\rightarrow$ not P If not P then Q

Can assume m, n are in lowest terms and are not both even.

Also have $2n^2 = m^2$. Because n^2 is an integer, m^2 is even.

If x^2 is even then x is even.

If x is odd then x^2 is not even.

If x is odd then x^2 is odd.

Because m^2 is even so is m .

$\frac{m}{2} = k$ for some integer k ,

so $\frac{m^2}{4} = k^2$ for some integer k .

So $\frac{2n^2}{4} = k^2$, $\frac{n^2}{2} = k^2$.

Therefore n^2 is even and n is even.

If not P then not Q

Implication If P then Q

Contrapositive If not Q then not P

Induction

Theorem. For all non-negative integers n ,

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

$$n=1 \quad 1 \quad \frac{1 \cdot 2}{2} = 1$$

$$n=2 \quad 1+2=3 \quad \frac{2 \cdot 3}{2} = 3$$

$$n=3 \quad 1+2+3=6 \quad \frac{3 \cdot 4}{2} = 6$$

$$n=4 \quad 1+2+3+4=10 \quad \frac{4 \cdot 5}{2} = 10$$

$$n=5 \quad 1+2+3+4+5=15 \quad \frac{5 \cdot 6}{2} = 15$$

$$n=6 \quad \frac{1+2+3+4+5+6}{2} = \frac{5 \cdot 6}{2} + 6 = \frac{5 \cdot 6 + 2 \cdot 6}{2} = \frac{7 \cdot 6}{2}$$

Idea: Use solution for smaller n to prove solution for larger n .

Strategy: Have predicate $P(n)$ n is non-negative integer.

Prove $P(0) \rightarrow$ Base case

Prove for all n , if $P(n)$ then $P(n+1)$ - Inductive step

Then $P(n)$ is true for all n .

Justify on Monday

Proof. Use Induction.

Base case $n=0$ $0 = \frac{0 \cdot 1}{2}$ ($1 = \frac{1 \cdot 2}{2}$ also works).

Inductive step. If $1+2+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$, then

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

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

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

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

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