

Chapter 3 : \mathbb{R} .

§ 10. IN (!?) and induction

IN provides nice intro to properties of number systems / sets. For example:

Axiom 10.1 IN is well-ordered, meaning
 $\forall \emptyset \neq S \subseteq \mathbb{N}, \exists$ "least" elt $m \in S \ni m \leq k \forall k \in S.$

Ex $S = \{10, 9, 100, 99, 1000, 999, \dots\} \subseteq \mathbb{N}.$
9 is least elt here: $9 \leq k \forall k \in S.$

Aside #1 After choosing smallest elt, do it again for remaining #'s. Then again. And again. This lets you write all of S in "ascending order."

$$S = \{9, 10, 99, 100, 999, 1000, \dots\}$$

Aside #2 Can every set be well-ordered?!

What's the least elt of $(0,1) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$?

Well Ordering Thm Every set can be well ordered using some relation.
More believable?

Equivalent to

Axiom of Choice Given any infinite collection of bins (sets), we can choose one object (elt) from each.

More believable, but has weird consequences
like Well ordering Thm

Or....

Banach-Tarski Paradox

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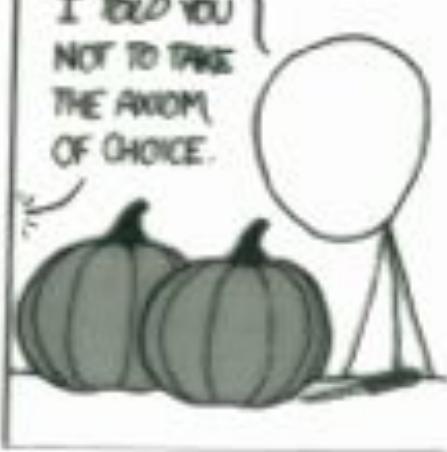
A sphere in \mathbb{R}^3 can be cut into a finite number of pieces which can be rearranged and glued back together into TWO identical copies of the original sphere. (!!!)



Not physically possible - pieces are "infinitely jagged" with parts that are smaller than atoms.

I CARVED AND CARVED,
AND THE NEXT THING I
KNEW I HAD TWO PUMPKINS.

I TOLD YOU
NOT TO TAKE
THE ANOMY
OF CHOICE.



Theorem 10.2 (Pf by Induction)

Let $P(n)$ be a statmt which is true/false for each n . If:

(a) $P(1)$ is true *base, anchor*

(b) $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, P(k)$ true $\Rightarrow P(k+1)$ true. *induction step*

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

Pr Assume (a), (b) true but \exists some $P(n)$ which is false.

Let $S = \{m \in \mathbb{N} : P(m) \text{ is false}\}$

WOP of \mathbb{N} says \exists least alt $m \in S$ b/c by assumption $S \neq \emptyset$

(a) $\Rightarrow m \neq 1$.

m least value b/c which $P(m)$ being $P(m-1)$ true, (b) $\Rightarrow P(m)$ true by.

10.3 Obligatory Historical Example

Prove $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

$$\text{Ex } P(1) : 1 = \frac{1(1+0)}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1.$$

$$P(2) : 1+2=3, \quad \frac{2(2+0)}{2} = \frac{4}{2} = 3.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 999 + 1000 \\ & (1000 + 999 + 998 + \dots + 2 + 1) \\ & 1001 + 1001 + 1001 + \dots + 1001 + 1001 \\ \text{Sum : } & \frac{1000 \cdot (1001)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Inductive Step: $P(n) : 1+2+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

base: $P(1)$: already checked!

Inductive Step: Assume $P(k)$,
show $P(k+1)$ is true:

$$1+2+3+\dots+k = \frac{k(k+1)}{2}.$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} & 1+2+3+\dots+k+(k+1) = \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + (k+1) \\ & = \frac{k(k+1)+2(k+1)}{2} \quad \text{by P(k)} \\ & = \frac{k^2+3k+2}{2} \\ & = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Avoid:

Assume $P(b)$, then:

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

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

$$\text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$$

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$$a=b$$

$$a^2=b^2$$

$$a^2-b^2 = b^2-b^2$$

$$(a-b)(a+b) = 0$$

$$a+b = 0$$

$$a=-b$$

$$a=-a$$

$$1=-1.$$



avoid "two
sided" equality
proofs - too
easy to
divide/mult
by zero, etc.