

$P(n)$:

To Prove: $F(n+4) = 3F(n+2) - F(n) \quad \forall n \geq 1$.

$$F(1) = 1$$

$$F(2) = 1$$

$$F(3) = 2$$

$$F(4) = 3$$

$$F(5) = 5$$

$$5 = 3 \cdot 2 - 1 \quad \checkmark$$

Base cases! $n=1$ $P(1): F(5) \stackrel{?}{=} 3F(3) - F(1)$

$n=2$ $P(2): F(6) \stackrel{?}{=} 3F(4) - F(2)$
 $8 = 3 \cdot 3 - 1 \quad \checkmark$

We need multiple because we're going to be using the formula $F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2)$

and we need to assert that the formula holds for the two preceding cases - which also means we'll be using the 2nd principle!

Inductive step: Assume $P(r)$ holds for all $1 \leq r \leq k$, + consider the assertion

$$P(k+1): F((k+1)+4) = 3F((k+1)+2) - F((k+1))$$

We'll start with the LHS (left-hand side):

$$F((k+1)+4) = F(k+5)$$

$$= F(k+4) + F(k+3)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \underbrace{3 F(k+2) - F(k)} + 2 F(k+1) - F(k-1) \\
&= 3 \left(\underbrace{F(k+2) + F(k+1)} \right) - \left(\underbrace{F(k) + F(k-1)} \right) \\
&= 3 F(k+3) - F(k+1) \\
&= 3 F((k+1)+2) - F(k+1) \\
&\quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{the RHS of } P(k+1)}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore


Natural numbers




$\therefore P(n) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

by induction (2nd principle)