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So I stated the problem in the earlier video. Let me prove it using induction. What is the base case? The base case starts with $n = 3$ and hence we have n^2 greater than $2n+1$ where $n=3$ will be 9 greater than 7 and hence the basis step is true.

Base case: $n = 3$

$$n^2 > 2n + 1 \quad 9 > 7$$

$P(3)$ is true.

Induction Hypothesis:

Assume $k^2 > 2k + 1$, for some integer k .



Let me move on to Induction Hypothesis. What do I assume? I assume that k^2 greater than $2k+1$ for some integer k , positive integer k should be. So this is the Induction Hypothesis.

Now if this is true that if k^2 is greater than $2k+1$, then I should prove that $(k+1)^2$ is greater than $2(k+1)+1$.

To prove: $(k+1)^2 > 2(k+1) + 1$



So let me take $(k+1)^2$. $(k+1)^2$ using the identity $(a+b)^2$ goes like this: k^2+2k+1 , right? Or I can also just rearrange them and write it as k^2+1+2k .

Now observe something very carefully. What can I write k^2 to be as? From the hypothesis, it is k^2 is greater than $2k+1$. Now I write it as this is greater than $2k+1+1+2k$. $1+2k$ remains as it is.

To prove: $(k+1)^2 > 2(k+1) + 1$

$$(k+1)^2 = k^2 + 1 + 2k$$
$$> 2k+1 + 1 + 2k$$

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Now this expression is equal to, if you remember, I had explained when we write an equal to sign and when we write greater than sign. I am not going to touch greater than here. It is not affecting the inequality. I am just telling $2k+1+1+2k$, this is equal to $2k+2+2k$, but the inequality remains as it is. Clear?

To prove: $(k+1)^2 > 2(k+1) + 1$

$$(k+1)^2 = k^2 + 1 + 2k$$
$$> 2k+1 + 1 + 2k$$
$$= 2k+2+2k \quad k=3$$

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Now where did we start from? We started from k greater than or equal to 3. Right? That's how we had started as the basis step if you remember.

Now let me just substitute 3 here. Why am I doing this? You will get to know later. I'm going to substitute 3 for this k only. Again why? You will understand in the next few steps.

Now $2k+2+2(3)$, 2 into 3 is 6 plus 2 is 8. Now k can take any value greater than 3 and hence this is greater than or equal to $2k+8$.

To prove: $(k+1)^2 > 2(k+1) + 1$

$$\begin{aligned}(k+1)^2 &= k^2 + 1 + 2k \\ &> 2k+1 + 1 + 2k \\ &= 2k + 2 + 2k \quad k = 3 \\ &= 2k + 2 + 2(3) \\ &\geq 2k + 8\end{aligned}$$

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This is the most subtle part of this theorem. You might need to take some time for understanding this portion. This is $2k+8$. Now, and this is greater than, strictly greater than $2k+3$.

Now you can ask me why did you write 3? You can also write 4 or 5. Yes, but we are concerned only about 3 here. Just observe the proof. So $2k+8$, this is greater than $2k+3$.

To prove: $(k+1)^2 > 2(k+1) + 1$

$$(k+1)^2 = k^2 + 1 + 2k$$

$$> 2k+1 + 1 + 2k$$

$$= 2k + 2 + 2k \quad k = 3$$

$$= 2k + 2 + 2(3)$$

$$\geq 2k + 8 > 2k + 3$$



Now what is the inequality? What is the status of the inequality? k^2+1+2k is greater than $2k+3$. We have – we are right now in this position. Now this can be written as $2k+2+1$. I am just expanding 3 as $2+1$.

To prove: $(k+1)^2 > 2(k+1) + 1$

$$(k+1)^2 = k^2 + 1 + 2k$$

$$> 2k+1 + 1 + 2k$$

$$= 2k + 2 + 2k \quad k = 3$$

$$= 2k + 2 + 2(3)$$

$$\geq 2k + 8 > 2k + 3 = 2k + 2 + 1$$



Now I'm going to take out 2 common here and this step is equal to $2(k+1)$, $(k+1)$ in bracket plus 1. So now what is the status of inequality? It is k^2+1+2k is strictly greater than $2(k+1)+1$. So $(k+1)^2$ is greater than $2(k+1)+1$. We have reached the end of the proof.

To prove: $(k+1)^2 > 2(k+1) + 1$

$$(k+1)^2 = k^2 + 1 + 2k$$

$$> 2k+1 + 1 + 2k$$

$$= 2k + 2 + 2k \quad k = 3$$

$$= 2k + 2 + 2(3)$$

$$\geq 2k + 8 > 2k + 3 = 2k + 2 + 1$$

$$= 2(k+1) + 1$$

$$(k+1)^2 > 2(k+1) + 1$$



Take some time to understand each line in the proof. You might need to read between the lines and understand the proof.

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