

Review of proof by induction

Starter

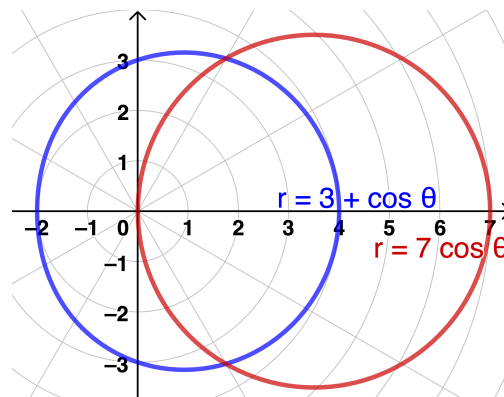
1. **(Review of last lesson)**

Find the area enclosed between the curves $C_1 : r = 3 + \cos \theta$ and $C_2 : r = 7 \cos \theta$.

Working: $3 + \cos \theta = 7 \cos \theta$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ and } \frac{5\pi}{3}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Required area} &= 2 \left(\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{1}{2} (3 + \cos \theta)^2 d\theta + \int_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{2} (7 \cos \theta)^2 d\theta \right) \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (9 + 6 \cos \theta + \cos^2 \theta) d\theta + \int_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 49 \cos^2 \theta d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} (18 + 12 \cos \theta + 1 + \cos 2\theta) d\theta + \int_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (49 + 49 \cos 2\theta) d\theta \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\left[19\theta + 12 \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} + \left[49\theta + \frac{49}{2} \sin 2\theta \right]_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\left[19\theta + 12 \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} + \left[49\theta + \frac{49}{2} \sin 2\theta \right]_{\frac{\pi}{3}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{19\pi}{3} + 6\sqrt{3} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} - 0 + \frac{49\pi}{2} - \frac{49\pi}{3} - \frac{49\sqrt{3}}{4} \right) \\ &= \frac{29\pi}{4} - 3\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

2. (Review of previous material)

Given that $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 9 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$, prove by induction that $\mathbf{A}^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 3n & 9n \\ -n & 1 + 3n \end{pmatrix}$.

Working: (Proposition)

Let $P(n)$ be the proposition that if $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 9 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ then $\mathbf{A}^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 3n & 9n \\ -n & 1 + 3n \end{pmatrix}$

(Prove the basic case)

When $n = 1$, $\mathbf{A}^1 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 9 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{A}^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 3 \times 1 & 9 \times 1 \\ -1 & 1 + 3 \times 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 9 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

Therefore $P(1)$ is true.

(Inductive step – n replaced by k)

Assume that $P(k)$ is true i.e. if $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 9 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ then $\mathbf{A}^k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 3k & 9k \\ -k & 1 + 3k \end{pmatrix}$

(Inductive step – multiply both sides by \mathbf{A} to get \mathbf{A}^{k+1})

$$\mathbf{A}^{k+1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 3k & 9k \\ -k & 1 + 3k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 9 \\ -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

(Algebraic manipulation until RHS is k replace by $k + 1$)

Multiplying the matrices:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}^{k+1} &= \begin{pmatrix} -2 - 3k & 9 + 9k \\ -1 - k & 3k + 4 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 3(k + 1) & 9(1 + k) \\ -(1 + k) & 1 + 3(k + 1) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(Completion)

But this is $P(k)$ with k replaced by $k + 1$.

Therefore, if $P(k)$ is true, then $P(k + 1)$ is also true.

Since $P(1)$ is true, using the principle of mathematical induction, $P(n)$ is true for all positive integers.

E.g. 1 Prove that $u_n = 4^n + 6n - 1$ is divisible by 9 for all $n \geq 1$ where n is an integer.

Working:

(Proposition)

Let $P(n)$ be the proposition that $4^n + 6n - 1$ is divisible by 9 for $n \geq 1$.

(Prove the basic case)

When $n = 1$, $4^1 + 6 \times 1 - 1 = 9$ which is divisible by 9.

Therefore $P(1)$ is true.

(Inductive step – n replaced by k)

Assume that $P(k)$ is true i.e. $4^k + 6k - 1$ is divisible by 9 for $n \geq 1$.

So $4^k + 6k - 1 = 9M$ where M is a positive integer

(Inductive step – consider the next term)

$P(k + 1)$ is the term $4^{k+1} + 6(k + 1) - 1$.

(Inductive step – manipulation to show this is also divisible by 9)

$$P(k + 1) = 4 \times 4^k + 6k + 6 - 1.$$

$$\text{But } 4^k = 9M - 6k + 1$$

$$P(k + 1) = 4 \times (9M - 6k + 1) + 6k + 6 - 1$$

$$= 36M - 24k + 4 + 6k + 6 - 1$$

$$= 36M + 9 - 18k$$

$$= 9(4M + 1 - 2k)$$

which is divisible by 9.

(Completion)

But this is $P(k)$ with k replaced by $k + 1$.

Therefore, if $P(k)$ is true, then $P(k + 1)$ is also true.

$P(1)$ is true and if $P(k)$ is true, then $P(k + 1)$ is true. Using the principle of mathematical induction, $P(n)$ is true for all positive integers.

E.g. 2 Prove that $3^n > n^2$ for all integers $n > 2$.

Working:

(Proposition)

Let $P(n)$ be the proposition that $3^n > n^2$ for all integers $n > 2$.

(Prove the basic case)

$$\text{When } n = 3: \quad 3^3 = 27 > 3^2 = 9.$$

Therefore $P(3)$ is true.

(Inductive step)

Assume that $P(k)$ is true i.e. $3^k > k^2$ for all integers $k > 2$.

(Inductive step – consider the next term)

Need to prove $P(k + 1)$ is true i.e. $3^{k+1} > (k + 1)^2$

(Inductive step – algebraic manipulation)

$$P(k + 1): \quad 3^{k+1} = 3 \times 3^k$$
$$> 3 \times k^2 \quad \text{assuming } P(k) \text{ is true}$$

$$= k^2 + k^2 + k^2$$

$$> k^2 + 2k + 1 \text{ since } k^2 > 2k \text{ and } k^2 > 1 \text{ for } k > 2$$

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

(Completion)

But this is $P(k)$ with k replaced by $k + 1$.

Therefore, if $P(k)$ is true, then $P(k + 1)$ is also true.

$P(3)$ is true and if $P(k)$ is true, then $P(k + 1)$ is true. Using the principle of mathematical induction, $P(n)$ is true for all positive integers.

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