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## Summary: Note 2.

Direct Proof:
To Prove: $P \Longrightarrow Q$. Assume $P$. Prove $Q$.
$a \mid b$ and $a|c \Longrightarrow a|(b-c)$.
By Contraposition:
To Prove: $P \Longrightarrow Q$ Assume $\neg Q$. Prove $\neg P$.
$n^{2}$ is odd $\Longrightarrow n$ is odd. $\equiv n$ is even $\Longrightarrow n^{2}$ is even.
By Contradiction:
To Prove: $P$ Assume $\neg P$. Prove False .
$\sqrt{2}$ is rational.
$\sqrt{2}=\frac{a}{b}$ with no common factors....
By Cases: informal.
Universal: show that statement holds in all cases.
Existence: used cases where one is true.
Either $\sqrt{2}$ and $\sqrt{2}$ worked. or $\sqrt{2}$ and $\sqrt{2}^{\sqrt{2}}$ worked.

Careful when proving!
Don't assume the theorem. Divide by zero.Watch converse. ...

## CS70: Note 3. Induction!

Poll. What's the biggest number?
(A) 100
(B) 101
(C) $\mathrm{n}+1$
(D) infinity.
(E) This is about the "recursive leap of faith."

