

I want to do _____ in my (cs22) Lean proof but I don't know what tactic to use!

a flowchart of which tactics to use and when to use them

I want to change the way my **goal** looks

You likely want to use an **introduction** rule.
This constructs the statement you are trying to prove.

What does your goal look like?

$\vdash A \wedge B$
or
 $\vdash A \leftrightarrow B$

and/bi-implication introduction
split_goal
will split up your goal into its corresponding subparts

$\vdash A \rightarrow B$

implication introduction
assume ha
will add a hypothesis **ha** into your context, remains to show B

$\vdash A \vee B$

or introduction
left/right
will reduce the goal to showing one side of the disjunction

$\vdash \neg A$

negation introduction
assume ha
to show that something does not hold, we show that if it did, a contradiction would follow. Likely later in your proof you will use the **contradiction** tactic.

$\vdash \exists e : S, \dots$

existential introduction
exists! x
will reduce the goal to showing this holds for a specific x

$\vdash \forall e : S, \dots$

universal introduction
fix x
we fix an arbitrary x, and need to show this holds regardless

$\vdash A = A$
(equal)

reflexivity
will close a goal that is an equals statement that is true by reflexivity

$\vdash A = B$
(sets)

extensionality
will change the goal to $\forall x, x \in A \leftrightarrow x \in B$, which is the set-element method

other sets related statement

set_simplify
will rewrite set operations as logical operations

fact from math

linarith
solves equalities and inequalities involving your hypotheses
polyrith
solves equalities with polynomials (variables multiplied)
numbers
solves facts about numbers
positivity
solves something about comparison with 0

$\vdash \forall n : \mathbb{N}, \dots$

basic_induction
inducts on your goal with standard induction, splits goal into a base case and inductive step
strong_induction
inducts on your goal with strong induction, splits goal into a base case and inductive step where your inductive hypothesis is in the form $\forall m < n, P m$

$\vdash \forall n : \mathbb{N}, n \geq c \rightarrow \dots$

induction_from_starting_point
inducts on your goal with standard induction, splits goal into a base case and inductive step, except the base case starts at c

I want to change the way my **hypotheses** look

You likely want to use an **elimination** rule.
This extracts information from your existing hypotheses.

What do your hypotheses look like?

$hab : A \wedge B$

and elimination
eliminate hab with ha hb
will split up your hypothesis into its corresponding subparts

$hab : A \vee B$

or elimination
eliminate hab with ha hb
will split up your hypothesis into two cases, after which two goals will remain, proving when A is true, and proving when B is true

$hab : A \leftrightarrow B$

bi-implication elimination
eliminate hab with hab hba
will split up your hypothesis into its left and right implications

$hab : A \rightarrow B$
 $ha : A$

implication elimination (modus ponens)
have hb := hab ha
given you know A and $A \rightarrow B$, will add a hypothesis for B. This is also known as modus ponens.

$hna : \neg A$
 $ha : A$

negation elimination
contradiction
if you have $\neg A$ and A in your hypotheses, this is a contradiction, so this immediately closes your goal

$hex : \exists e : S, P e$

existential elimination
eliminate hex with e he
will extract a witness out of an existential statement and a proof that the witness satisfies the proposition

$x : S$
 $hax : \forall a : S, P a$

universal elimination
have hpx := hax x
will produce a hypothesis of $P x$ from a universal quantification and a specific such value x we wish to apply it on. This is going from a general statement to a specific one.

I hope to utilize a definition or equality

dsimp definition
will unfold a definition in your goal. For example, **dsimp dvd** will apply the definition of "divides".

rewrite hmn
if $hmn : m = n$, this will replace all m with n in your goal. To do the other direction, use **rewrite -hmn**

If you want to use these on a definition on a hypothesis, say h, you should add **at h** at the end of the tactic, like **rewrite hmn at h** or **dsimp definition at h**

My goal is literally a hypothesis (I'm done!)

assumption
will close your goal! check if you have any additional goals that remain to be shown