

## Selected exercises 01

1. Prove by induction that the sum of all positive natural numbers until  $n$  is  $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ .

2. Prove that for all positive natural numbers  $n$

$$1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + (2n - 1) = n^2.$$

3. Prove that  $3 + 11 + \cdots + (8n - 5) = 4n^2 - n$ , for all positive integers  $n$ .

4. Prove the following statements for every positive natural number  $n$ :

(a)  $1^2 + 2^2 + \cdots + n^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1)$ .

(b)  $1^3 + 2^3 + \cdots + n^3 = (1 + 2 + \cdots + n)^2$ .

5. Prove that for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the integer  $11^n - 4^n$  is a natural number multiple of 7.

6. Prove that  $4^n + 15n - 1$  is divisible by 9 for all natural numbers  $n$ .

7. Prove associativity for addition in  $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

8. Prove that the set of all even integers is a group for addition.

9. Prove the Bernoulli inequality: for every natural number  $n$  and for every number  $a > -1$  it holds that:

$$(1 + a)^n \geq 1 + na.$$

10. Prove that  $n^{n+1} > (n + 1)^n$  for all natural numbers  $n \geq 3$ .