

# Intro to Computer Science Assignment 2

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## Problem 2.1

Proof by its cotrapositive:

Lemma: If  $n$  is not divisible by 3, then  $n^2$  is not divisible by 3.

**Proof :**

3 is a prime number,  $n$  is not divisible by 3  $\implies$  3 is not a factor of  $n \implies$  3 is not a factor of  $n \cdot n = n^2 \implies n$  is not divisible by 3.

**Problem 2.2** Lemma:  $0^3 + 1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + n^3 = \sum_{i=0}^n i^3 = [\frac{n(n+1)}{2}]^2$

**Proof by induction:**

Basis:

$$n = 0 \tag{1}$$

$$\implies \sum_{i=0}^n i^3 = 0^3 = 0 \tag{2}$$

$$[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}]^2 = [\frac{0(0+1)}{2}]^2 = 0 \tag{3}$$

$$\implies \sum_{i=0}^n i^3 = [\frac{n(n+1)}{2}]^2, n = 0 \tag{4}$$

Inductive Proof: Assume lemma holds for  $n = k \implies$

$$\sum_{i=0}^k i^3 = \left\lfloor \frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right\rfloor^2 \implies \sum_{i=0}^{k+1} i^3 = \sum_{i=0}^k i^3 + (k+1)^3 = \left\lfloor \frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right\rfloor^2 + (k+1)^3 \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{k^2(k+1)^2}{4} + (k+1)^3 \quad (6)$$

$$= \frac{k^2(k+1)^2}{4} + \frac{(4k+4)(k+1)^2}{4} \quad (7)$$

$$= \frac{(k^2 + 4k + 4)(k+1)^2}{4} \quad (8)$$

$$= \frac{(k+2)^2(k+1)^2}{4} \quad (9)$$

$$= \left\lfloor \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2} \right\rfloor^2 \quad (10)$$