- 1. Show that: $0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$
- 2. For any natural number n such that $n \ge 2$, show that $n + 1 < n^2$. [We must choose $n_0 = 2$]
- 3. For any natural number n such $n \ge 4$, prove that $n! > n^2$
- 4. Fibonacci Sequence: 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, Show that the identity $F_1 + F_3 + ... + F_{2n-1} = F_{2n} 1$ is true for all $n \ge 1$.
- 5. For any natural number n and for any real number x, prove that $(1-x)(1+x+x^2+x^3+\ldots+x^n)=1-x^{n+1}$
- 6. Use the corollary $\sum_{i=0}^{n} a \cdot r^{i} = a \cdot \frac{1-r^{n+1}}{1-r}$ to find the sum of $3 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot 2^{2} + 3 \cdot 2^{3} + \ldots + 3 \cdot 2^{n}$
- 7. Use the corollary $\sum_{i=0}^{n} a \cdot r^{i} = a \cdot \frac{1-r^{n+1}}{1-r}$ to find the sum of $2+10+50+\ldots+1250$
- 8. The terms of a sequence are given recursively as $a_0 = 0$, $a_1 = 2$, and $a_n = 4(a_{n-1} a_{n-2})$ for $n \ge 2$ Prove by induction that $b_n = n \cdot 2^n$ is a closed form for the sequence. That is, prove that $a_n = b_n$ for every $n \in N$
- 9. The terms of a sequence are given recursively as $a_0 = 1, \ a_1 = 1, \quad \text{and} \quad a_n = 2 \cdot a_{n-1} + 3 \cdot a_{n-2} \quad \text{for } n \geq 2$ Prove by induction that $b_n = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3^n + \frac{1}{2} \cdot (-1)^n \text{ is a closed form for the sequence}$ $[a_n = b_n]$
- 10. Find the first six values [from F(0) to F(5)] of the function defined on N given by F(0) = 2, F(1) = 3, F(2) = 5, and F(n) = 2F(n-1) + 3F(n-2) + F(n-3) for $n \ge 3$.

- 11. Tower of Hanoi is a mathematical puzzle where we have three rods and. n disks. The objective of the puzzle is to move the entire stack to another rod, obeying the following simple rules:
 - a. Only one disk can be moved at a time.
 - b. Each move consists of taking the upper disk from one of the stacks and placing it on top of another stack i. e. a disk can only be moved if it is the uppermost disk on a stack.
 - c. No disk may be placed on top of a smaller disk. Solve the problem using recursion: T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 1 for n > 1 [T(1) = 1]
- 12. *Solve the following first order recurrence using back substitution:*

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} cT(n-1) + f(n) & \text{for } n \ge k \\ f(k) & \text{for } n = k \end{cases}$$

- 13. Solve the following first order recurrence using back substitution: $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + n , [T(1) = 1]$
- 14. Solve the following first order recurrence using back substitution: $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + 1$, [T(1) = 1]
- **15**. *Solve the following*:

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + n$$
, $[T(1) = 1]$