

1 Correctness of recursive Algorithms

1.1 Sum of n

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Sum(n)
{
    if n==1 then return 1
    else return (Sum(n-1)+n)
}
```

Prove that $Sum(n) = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

Claim

Sum(n) returns a value equals to $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

Base Case

Sum(n) = $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ if n=1

1 = $\frac{1(1+1)}{2}$

1 = 1

True

Induction Hypothesis

Sum(n) returns a value equals to $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

Induction Conclusion

$$Sum(n+1) = \frac{(n+1)((n+1)+1)}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$Sum((n+1)-1) + (n+1) = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} + (n+1) = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2} \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{n(n+1) + 2(n+1)}{2} = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2} \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{n^2 + n + 2n + 2}{2} = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2} \quad (5)$$

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

$$\frac{n^2 + 3n + 2}{2} = \frac{n^2 + 2n + n + 2}{2} \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{n^2 + 3n + 2}{2} = \frac{n^2 + 3n + 2}{2} \quad (8)$$

1.2 Sum of n^2 – DO IT YOURSELF

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Sum-sq (n)
{
  if n==1 then return 1
  else return (Sum-sq (n-1)+n*n)
}
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Prove that $Sum - sq(n) = \frac{2n^3+3n^2+n}{6}$

Claim

Base Case

Induction Hypothesis

Induction Conclusion