

Answer Key for Quiz 0
CMP 761: Analysis of Algorithms
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Write your answer to each on a separate piece of paper. Staple your answer sheets to this sheet when you turn in the quiz.

1. Prove for all natural numbers n that:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

This can be done in several different ways. One way to prove this is by induction on n :

Base Case: $n = 1$.

When $n = 1$, the left hand side evaluates to 1 as does the right hand side ($\frac{1(1+1)}{2} = 1$). So, the equation holds for $n = 1$.

Inductive Step: $n > 1$.

Assume true for n , and then show true for $n + 1$. Starting with the left hand side:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i &= (n+1) + \sum_{i=1}^n i \\ &= (n+1) + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \quad (\text{by IH}) \\ &= \frac{2(n+1)}{2} + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \\ &= \frac{2(n+1) + n(n+1)}{2} \\ &= \frac{2n+2+n^2+n}{2} \\ &= \frac{n^2+3n+2}{2} \\ &= \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2} \\ &= \frac{(n+1)((n+1)+1)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

So, the equation holds for $n + 1$, assuming it holds for n .

Thus, by the principle of induction, for all natural numbers n ,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

2. Write (in pseudo-code) an algorithm that sorts a list of n numbers.

(More formally, design an algorithm for the following:

Input: A sequence of n numbers $\{A[1], A[2], \dots, A[n]\}$.

Output: A reordering $\{A'[1], A'[2], \dots, A'[n]\}$ of the input sequence such that $A'[1] \leq A'[2] \leq \dots \leq A'[n]$.)

Again, there are many different answers to this question. One possible way to sort the list would be a bubble sort:

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for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
{
    for (j=0; j < n-1; j++)
    {
        if (A[j] > A[j+1])
        {
            /* Swap the two elements */
            tmp = A[j];
            A[j] = A[j+1];
            A[j+1] = tmp;
        }
    }
}
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