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Week 02 Exercises

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Background Definitions

1. The notation $\sum_{i=m}^n f(i)$ is defined by:

$$\sum_{i=m}^n f(i) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m > n \\ f(n) + \sum_{i=m}^{n-1} f(i) & \text{if } m \leq n \end{cases}$$

2. The Fibonacci sequence $\text{fib} : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is defined by:

$$\text{fib}(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ \text{fib}(n-1) + \text{fib}(n-2) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

3. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. a divides b , written $a \mid b$, if $b = ac$ for some $c \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Exercises

1. Prove the following statements:
 - a. The sum of two odd integers is an even integer.
 - b. If x is an even integer, then x^2 is also even.
 - c. Let $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$. If $a \mid b$ and $c \mid d$, then $ac \mid bd$.
 - d. The square root of 2 is an irrational number.
2. Prove the following statements by weak induction:
 - a. $\sum_{i=0}^n 2i = n(n+1)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
 - b. $\sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1) = n^2$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
 - c. $\sum_{i=0}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
 - d. $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} 2^i = 2^n - 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

- e. $\sum_{i=0}^n \text{fib}(i) = \text{fib}(n+2) - 1$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
 - f. $\sum_{i=0}^n (\text{fib}(i))^2 = \text{fib}(n) * \text{fib}(n+1)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
3. Prove the following statements by strong induction:
- a. If $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq 2$, then n is a product of prime numbers.
 - b. $\text{fib}(n) < 2^n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
 - c. It takes $n - 1$ divisions to break up a rectangular chocolate bar containing n squares into individual squares.
4. Let t_n, s_n, o_n be the n th triangle, square, and oblong numbers, respectively, where $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
- a. Define t_n, s_n, o_n by recursion.
 - b. Prove by induction that every triangle number is exactly half of an oblong number.
 - c. Prove by induction that the sum of every two consecutive triangle numbers is a square number.