

Exercises 1

Prove by mathematical induction the following (1-9) identities:

1. $1+2+3+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}, \text{ for } n \in N.$
2. $1^2+2^2+3^2+\dots+n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}, \text{ for } n \in N.$
3. $1^3+2^3+3^3+\dots+n^3 = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right]^2, \text{ for } n \in N.$
4. $1^3+2^3+3^3+\dots+n^3 = (1+2+3+\dots+n)^2, \text{ for } n \in N.$
5. $1+3+5+\dots+(2n-1) = n^2, \text{ for } n \in N.$
6. $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2n-1)(2n+1)} = \frac{n}{2n+1}, \text{ for } n \in N.$
7. $\frac{1}{a(a+1)} + \frac{1}{(a+1)(a+2)} + \dots + \frac{1}{(a+n-1)(a+n)} = \frac{n}{a(a+n)}, \text{ for } a, n \in N.$
8. $\frac{0}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \dots + \frac{n-1}{n!} = 1 - \frac{1}{n!}, \text{ for } n \in N.$

Find the formulas for the following sums (9-12) by examining the values of these expressions for small values of n. Use mathematical induction to prove your results.

9. $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)}, n \in N;$
10. $\frac{1}{2 \cdot 7} + \frac{1}{7 \cdot 12} + \dots + \frac{1}{(5n-3)(5n+2)}, n \in N;$
11. $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} + \frac{7}{3 \cdot 5} + \dots + \frac{2n^2-1}{(2n-1)(2n+1)}, n \in N;$
12. $1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 4 + \dots + n(n+1), n \in N;$

Use mathematical induction to prove the following inequalities (problems 13-17):

13. $2^n \geq 2n+1, \text{ if } n \in N \text{ and } n \geq ?.$
14. $2^n > n^2, \text{ if } n \in N \text{ and } n \geq ?.$
15. $3^n < n!, \text{ if } n \in N \text{ and } n \geq ?.$
16. $n! < n^n, \text{ if } n \in N \text{ and } n \geq 2.$
17. $1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{9} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^2} < 2 - \frac{1}{n}, n \in N \text{ and } n \geq 2.$

Prove (problems 18-29), that for arbitrary positive integer n

18. $n^3 + (n+1)^3 + (n+2)^3$ is divisible by 9;
19. $n^3 + 5n$ is divisible by 6;
20. $n^3 + 11n$ is divisible by 6;
21. $7^n + 3n - 1$ is divisible by 9;
22. $4^n + 15n - 1$ is divisible by 9;
23. $5^n + 2 \cdot 3^n + 5$ is divisible by 8;
24. $5^n - 3^n + 2n$ is divisible by 4;
25. $5^{n+3} + 11^{3n+1}$ is divisible by 17;
26. $5 \cdot 2^{3n-2} + 3^{3n-1}$ is divisible by 19;
27. $6^{2n} + 3^{n+2} + 3^n$ is divisible by 11;
28. $7^{n+2} + 8^{2n+1}$ is divisible by 57.
29. $4^n - 3^n - 7$ is divisible by 84 if $n \in N$ and n is even number.

Out of class exercises:

30. Prove, that any number composed of 3^n units, is divisible by 3^n .
31. *Arithmetic progression.* The sequence a_n is defined by the following recurrence relations:
 $a_n = a_{n-1} + d, n = 2, 3, \dots; a_1 = a; d$ - is a “*difference*”, a - is known. Find the formulas for the a_n and the sum $\sum_{n=1}^m a_n$. Use mathematical induction to prove your results.
32. *Geometric progression.* The sequence b_n is defined by the following recurrence relations:
 $b_n = q \cdot b_{n-1}, n = 2, 3, \dots; b_1 = b; q$ - is a “*ratio*”, b - is known. Find the formulas for the b_n and the sum $\sum_{n=1}^m b_n$. Use mathematical induction to prove your results.
33. Suppose, that: $y_1 = \frac{3}{8}, y_n = \frac{3}{8} + \frac{y_{n-1}^2}{2}, n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$,
and prove the following inequalities $y_{n-1} < y_n < \frac{1}{2}, n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$
34. Suppose, that the sequence u_n is defined by the following recurrence relations:
 $u_1 = 1, u_n = u_{n-1} + n, n = 2, 3, \dots$ Prove, that $u_n + u_{n+1} = (n+1)^2, \text{ for } n \in N$.