

0.1 Question

Show $\sum_{k=1}^n k^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}$ by answering the following questions:

1. Calculate $k^4 - (k-1)^4$
2. Sum both sides from $k=1$ to $k=n$
3. Then use telescoping and the formulas $\sum_{k=1}^n k = \frac{n^2+n}{2}$ and $\sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1)$

0.2 Question

Let \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} be $n \times n$ matrix. Prove that $(\mathbf{AB})^T = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T$.