

Homework I
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(A)

Prove: $1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + \dots + n \cdot (n+1) = \frac{n \cdot (n+1)(n+2)}{3}$
we start off with $P_0: 0 \cdot (0+1) = \frac{0 \cdot (0+1)(0+2)}{3}$

$$0 \cdot 1 = \frac{0 \cdot 1 \cdot 2}{3}$$

$$0 = 0$$

Now we continue with proving P_1 to be true

$$P_1: 1 \cdot (1+1) = \frac{1 \cdot (1+1)(1+2)}{3}$$

$$1 \cdot 2 = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3}{3}$$

$$2 = 2$$

And lastly we prove that P_{n+1} to be true

$$P_{n+1}: 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + \dots + n \cdot (n+1) + (n+1) \cdot (n+2) = \frac{n \cdot (n+1)(n+2)}{3} + (n+1)(n+2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + \dots + n \cdot (n+1) + (n+1)(n+2) &= \left(\frac{n}{3} + 1\right) (n+1)(n+2) \\ &= \frac{(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)}{3} \end{aligned}$$

With proving that P_0, P_1, P_{n+1} to be true, we prove that the proposition is true