

Tutorial 3

1 Prove that $4^n > n^3$ for every positive integer n .

2 A sequence $\{a_n\}$ is defined recursively by $a_1 = 1$, $a_2 = 2$ and $a_n = a_{n-1} + 2a_{n-2}$ for $n \geq 3$. Conjecture a formula for a_n and verify that your conjecture is correct.

3 Let H be a nonempty subset of \mathbf{Z} . Suppose that the relation R defined on \mathbf{Z} by $a R b$ if $a - b \in H$ is an equivalence relation. Verify the following

(a) $0 \in H$.

(b) If $a \in H$, then $-a \in H$.

(c) If $a, b \in H$, then $a + b \in H$.

4 Prove that the multiplication in \mathbf{Z}_n , $n \geq 2$, defined by $[a][b] = [ab]$ is well-defined.

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