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1. Show by induction that $1 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot 5 + \dots + n(n+2) = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+7)}{6}$

1) Basic step $n=1$.

$$1 \cdot (3) = \frac{1(2)(9)}{6} \quad \checkmark$$

2) Assume True for $P(k)$. Show $P(k+1)$.

$$\text{Assume } 1 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 4 + \dots + k(k+2) = \frac{k(k+1)(2k+7)}{6}$$

$$\text{show } 1 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 4 + \dots + k(k+2) + (k+1)(k+3) \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(2k+9)}{6}$$

$$\frac{k(k+1)(2k+7)}{6} + (k+1)(k+3) \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(2k+9)}{6}$$

$$k(k+1)(2k+7) + 6(k+1)(k+3) \stackrel{?}{=} (k+1)(k+2)(2k+9)$$

$$(k+1) [k(2k+7) + 6(k+3)] \stackrel{?}{=} (k+1)(k+2)(2k+9) \quad \checkmark$$

2) Consider the sequence $\{a_n\}$ defined by: $a_0 = 1, a_1 = 2, a_2 = 3$; and $a_n = a_{n-2} + 2a_{n-3}$ for $n \geq 3$.

(a) Calculate a_n for $n = 3, 4$

$$a_3 = a_1 + 2a_0 = 2 + 2 = 4$$

$$a_4 = a_2 + 2a_1 = 3 + 4 = 7$$

(b) Prove that $a_n > \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n$, using induction for $n \geq 3$.

1) BASIC step $n=3$

$$a_3 = 4 > \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 \quad 4 > \frac{27}{8}$$

$$32 > 27 \checkmark$$

2) Ind. Step: Assume $a_i > \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^i$, for $i=1, 2, \dots, k$.

$$\text{show } a_{k+1} > \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{k+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_{k+1} &= a_{k-1} + 2a_{k-2} \\ &> \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{k-1} + 2\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{k-2} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{k-2} \left[\frac{3}{2} + 2\right] = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{k-2} \left[\frac{7}{2}\right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{But } \frac{7}{2} > \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{27}{8} \text{ ? , yes since } 56 > 54 \therefore$$

$$a_{k+1} > \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{k-2} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 \Rightarrow a_{k+1} > \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{k+1} \checkmark$$

3. $f: \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ be given by $f(m, n) = (4^m, m+n)$

(a) Is f 1-1?

Yes; if $f(m, n) = f(a, b) \Rightarrow$

$$(4^m, m+n) = (4^a, a+b) \Rightarrow a=m \Rightarrow m=b.$$

$$\Rightarrow (m, n) = (a, b) \Rightarrow f: 1-1$$

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(b) Is f onto? No; f is not onto since, for instance.

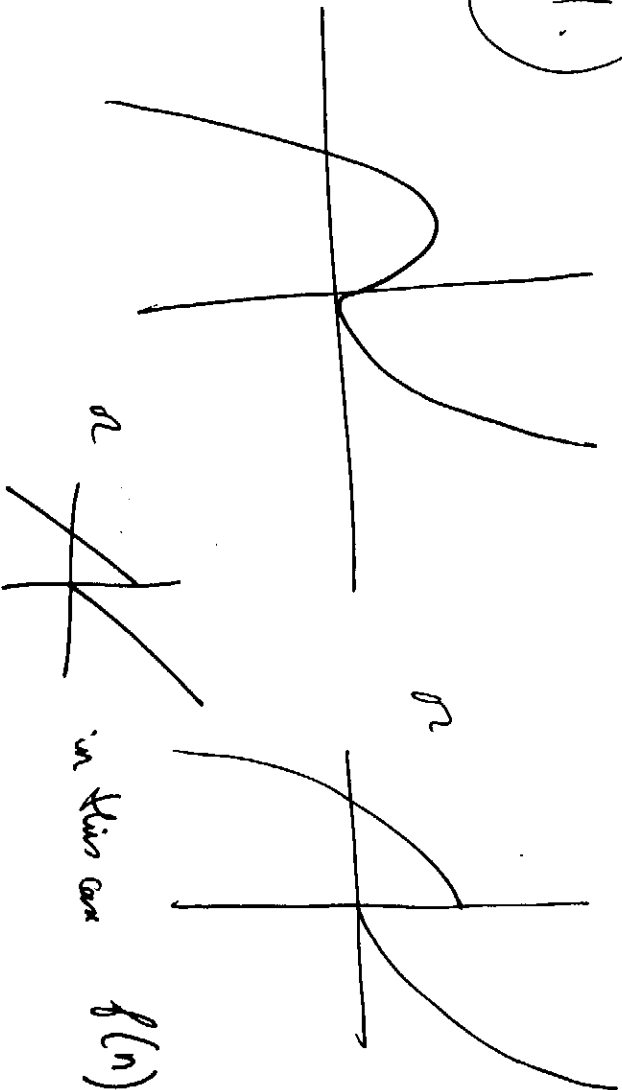
$(1, 3)$ has no pre-image \Rightarrow

there is no (a, b) such that $(4^a, a+b) = (1, 3)$.

a $4^a = 1$ has no solution in \mathbb{N} !!

4. Find your own example of a function $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ that is onto but not 1-1.

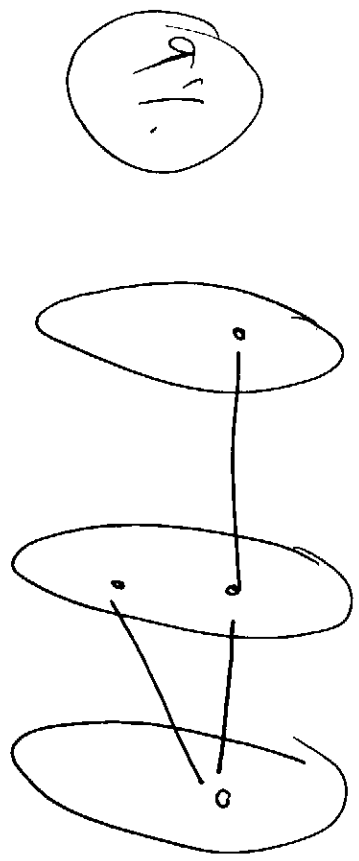
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$$f(n) = \begin{cases} n+1 & \text{if } n < 0 \\ n & \text{if } n \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

5. Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $g : B \rightarrow C$ and suppose that $g \circ f : A \rightarrow C$ is onto. Show whether or not both functions f and g should also be onto.

No f need not be onto



6. Find two 3×3 matrices A and B whose product is 0, yet non of them is the zero matrix.

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

7. If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 5 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$, evaluate: $2A + 3B^T$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & -2 \\ 0 & 4 & -4 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 21 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 14 & 8 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

8. Show that $\lfloor x \rfloor - \lfloor x \rfloor = 1$ when x is not an integer.

$n < x < n+1$ $x = n+d$ $0 < d < 1$

$\lfloor x \rfloor = n+1$ $\lfloor x \rfloor = n$

$\Rightarrow \lfloor x \rfloor - \lfloor x \rfloor = 1$ since

$(n+1) - (n) = 1$