

Proposition 1. *Any two successive Fibonacci numbers are relatively prime.*

Proof. (By Mathematical Induction):

Base Case ($n=1$): For $n = 1$, we see that $F_3 = 2$ and $F_{1+1} + F_1 = 1 + 1$, so $2 = 2$, and $\gcd(F_1, F_2) = 1$. Thus it is true for $n = 1$.

Inductive Step: Now let $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and assume that F_k and F_{k+1} are relatively prime for some integer $k \geq 1$, since $F_{k+2} = F_{k+1} + F_k$. If d is a positive common divisor of F_{k+1} and F_{k+2} , then $d|F_k$, also so that d is a positive common divisor of F_k and F_{k+1} . By the inductive hypothesis, F_k and F_{k+1} are relatively prime, so that $d=1$. Therefore, F_{k+1} and F_{k+2} are also relatively prime.

By the Principle of Mathematical Induction, the proposition holds that two consecutive Fibonacci numbers are relatively prime. □

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Proposition 2. *For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3$.*

Proof. **Base Case** ($n = 1$): $(1)^2 = 1 = 1^3$, so the proposition is true for $n = 1$.

Inductive step: Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and suppose that $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3$. Therefore, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 = (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 + 2(k + 1)(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)^2$. Hence, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)^3$.

Therefore, using induction, the proposition is true. □

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Proof. Observe that $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n) = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$. Thus, $\frac{(n(n+1))^2}{2^2} = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3$.

Let $n = 1$. Then, $[\frac{1(1+1)}{2}]^2 = (1)^3$. So, $[\frac{2}{2}]^2 = 1$. Which is true.

Assume the above results are true for all $n = k$. Thus,

$$1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 = [\frac{k(k+1)}{2}]^2.$$

Now, the results must be proved for $n = k + 1$. So,

$$1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3 = [\frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}]^2.$$

Consider,

$$\begin{aligned} 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3 &= [\frac{k(k+1)}{2}]^2 + (k+1)^3 \\ &= \frac{k^2(k+1)^2}{2^2} + (k+1)^3 = (k+1)^2[\frac{k^2}{4} + k + 1] = (k+1)^2[\frac{k^2 + 4k + 4}{4}] \\ &= \frac{(k+1)^2(k+2)^2}{2^2} = [\frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}]^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the results are true for $n = \frac{R.H.S.}{k+1}$. Therefore by induction, the initial statement is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. □

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Proof. Proof by Induction.

Base Case: $n = 1$. Then the statement simplifies to $1^2 = 1^3$, so $1 = 1$. Therefore, $n = 1$ is true.

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and suppose $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3$.

Because S_n is true, prove S_{n+1} given $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3$.

Prove $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n + (n + 1))^2 = (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 + (n + 1)^3)$.

Expanding the equation in the form $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$, we get

$$(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)^2 + 2(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)(n + 1) + (n + 1)^2.$$

Since $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3$, we can substitute.

So, $(1 + 2 + \dots + n + (n + 1))^2 =$

$$(1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3) + 2(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)(n + 1) + (n + 1)^2.$$

Recognize that $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n) = (n(n + 1))/2$.

$$\text{By substitution we get } (1 + 2 + \dots + n + (n + 1))^2 = (1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + n^3) + (2n(n + 1))/2 + (n + 1)^2.$$

Thus, $(1 + 2 + \dots + n + (n + 1))^2 =$

$$(1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + n^3) + (n(n + 1)^2) + (n + 1)^2 =$$

$$(1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + n^3) + n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n + 1 =$$

$$(1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + n^3) + (n + 1)(n + 1)^2 =$$

$$(1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + n^3) + (n + 1)^3.$$

Therefore, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n + (n + 1))^2 = (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 + (n + 1)^3)$. □

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Proof. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Base Case ($n = 1$): Observe that $(1)^2 = 1^3$, which is true.

Induction Case:

Let $n = k$, where $k \in \mathbb{N}$, and suppose that $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3$ is true.

Consider $n = k + 1$.

Then, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)^3$

We know that: $1 + 2 + \dots + k = \frac{k(k+1)}{2}$ by Gauss's formula.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= ((1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k + 1))^2 \\
 &= (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 + (k + 1)^2 + 2(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)(k + 1) \\
 &= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)^2 + \frac{2k(k + 1)}{2}(k + 1) \\
 &= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)^2 + k(k + 1)^2 \\
 &= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + k^2 + 2k + 1 + k^3 + 2k^2 + k \\
 &= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + k^3 + 3k^2 + 3k + 1 \\
 &= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)^3
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the case that $n = k + 1$ is true.

Thus, by mathematical induction, the statement $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3$ is true. \square

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Proof. By induction, observe that when $n = 1$, then $1^2 = 1^3$ is true. For any $k \geq 1, k \in \mathbb{N}$ assume that $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3$. Then, to show that $S_k \Rightarrow S_{k+1}$, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)^3$. Observe that $(1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)^3 = (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 + (k + 1)^3 = (\frac{k(k+1)}{2})^2 + (k+1)^3 = \frac{k^2(k+1)^2}{4} + (k+1)^3 = \frac{(k+1)^2}{4}(k^2 + 4k + 4) = \frac{(k+1)^2(k+2)^2}{4} = (\frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2})^2 = (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (k + 1))^2$. Therefore, by induction, the equation holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. \square

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Proof. For $n = 1$: $(1)^2 = 1 = 1^3 = 1$ thus it is true for $n = 1$.

Assume it is true for $n = k$ then $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3$.

Now consider $n = k + 1$.

Then $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + k + 1)^2$.

The left side, $[(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)]^2$.

And, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 + 2(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)(k + 1) + (k + 1)^2$.

On the right side, $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)[2(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + k + 1]$.

Then, $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)[k(k + 1) + (k + 1)]$.

Then, $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)^2(k + 1)$.

Hence, $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)^3$.

Thus it is true for $n = k + 1$.

Therefore by mathematical induction $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3$ for every integer $n \in \mathbb{N}$. \square

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Proof.

Base case: $n = 1(1)^2 = 1^3 = 1$

Base case: $n = 2(1 + 2)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 = 9$

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Inductive Step: Let $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and suppose $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3$ and $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + m)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + m^3$.

We know that $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n) = (n^2 + n)/2$ due to the proof of Chapter 10 problem 1. This implies that $((n^2 + n)/2)^2 = (n(n + 1)/2)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3$. Let $n = 1$: $((1^2 + 1)/2)^2 = 1^3 = 1$ so the statement is still true. By the inductive step: $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + m^3 = ((m^2 + m)/2)^2$ and $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + m^3 + (m + 1)^3 = (((m + 1)^2 + (m + 1)/2)^2 + (m + 1)^3$ where the brackets represent the inductive hypothesis.

$$\begin{aligned} & [1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + m^3] + (m + 1)^3 \\ &= ((m(m + 1)^2)/2)^2 + (m + 1)^3 \\ &= (m^2 * (m + 1)^2)/4 + (m + 1)^3 \\ &= (m + 1)^2[(m^2)/4 + m + 1] \\ &= (m + 1)^2[(m^2 + 4m + 4)/4] \\ &= ((m + 1)^2 * (m + 2)^2)/2^2 \\ &= ((m + 1)(m + 2)/2)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the result is true for $n = m + 1$. Therefore by induction the result is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. □

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Proof.

Base Case. Let $n = 1$

Then we have $(1)^2 = 1^3$

Therefore, when $n = 1$, it works.

Inductive Step. Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Suppose $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3$

We know that $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) = \frac{k(k+1)}{2}$

We want to prove that $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3 = \left(\frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}\right)^2$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3 &= \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{2}\right)^2 + (k+1)^3 \\ &= \frac{k^2(k+1)^2}{(2)^2} + (k+1)^3 \\ &= (k+1)^2 \left(\frac{k^2}{4} + k + 1\right) \\ &= (k+1)^2 \left(\frac{k^2 + 4k + 4}{4}\right) \\ &= \frac{(k+1)^2(k+2)^2}{2^2} \\ &= \left(\frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3 = \left(\frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}\right)^2$

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Proof. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Base case. $n = 1$. Observe that $1^2 = 1^3 = 1$.

Inductive step. Suppose that $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n + (n + 1))^2 &= [(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n) + (n + 1)]^2 \\ &= (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)^2 + 2(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)(n + 1) + (n + 1)^2 \\ &= 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 + (n + 1)[2(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n) + (n + 1)] \text{ (inductive hypothesis)} \\ &= 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 + (n + 1)[2(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}) + (n + 1)] \text{ (by Gauss' formula)} \\ &= 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 + (n + 1)[n(n + 1) + (n + 1)] \\ &= 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 + (n + 1)(n + 1)(n + 1) \\ &= 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 + (n + 1)^3. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore by induction the proposition holds. □

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Proof. Base Case: $(n = 1) : 1^2 = 1^3$

Inductive step: Let $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and suppose $(1 + 2 + \dots + k)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then, } (1 + 2 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 &= (1 + 2 + \dots + k)^2 + 2(k + 1)(1 + 2 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)^2 \\ &= (1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3) + 2(k + 1)(1 + 2 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)^2 \\ &= (1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)[2(1 + 2 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)] \\ &= (1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1) + (k + 1)[2(\frac{k(k+1)}{2}) + (k + 1)] \\ &= (1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)[k^2 + k + k + 1] \\ &= (1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)[(k + 1)(k + 1)] \\ &= (1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)^3 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $(1 + 2 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 = (1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)^3$ □

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Proof. Base Case: $1^2 = 1^3$.

Inductive Step: Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and suppose $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3$.

So, $[(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)]^2 = (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 + 2(k + 1)(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)^2$.

Then, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 + 2(k + 1)(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + 2(k + 1)(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)^2$.

Since $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) = (k(k + 1))/2$.

We know $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + 2(k + 1)(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (2k((k + 1)^2)/2) + (k + 1)^2$.

Then, $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (2k((k + 1)^2)/2) + (k + 1)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)((k + 1)^2) = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)^3$

Therefore, $((1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)^3$

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Proof. Base Case: Suppose $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $n = 1$. Then, $(1)^2 = 1 = 1^3$.

Inductive Step: Suppose $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and suppose $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3$.

We must show that $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)^3$.

Then, $((1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k + 1))^2$

$$= (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 + 2(k + 1)(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)^2$$

$$= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + 2(k + 1)(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k) + (k + 1)^2$$

$$= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + 2(k + 1)\left(\frac{k^2 + k}{2}\right) + (k + 1)^2 \text{ (by ch. 10, #1 proof)}$$

$$= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)(k^2 + k) + (k + 1)^2$$

$$= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)k(k + 1) + (k + 1)^2$$

$$= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + k(k + 1)(k + 1) + (k + 1)^2$$

$$= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + k(k + 1)^2 + (k + 1)^2$$

$$= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + k(k + 1)^2 + 1(k + 1)^2$$

$$= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)(k + 1)^2$$

$$= (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)^3$$

Therefore, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)^3$.

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Proof. The proof is by mathematical induction. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Base cases:

When $n = 1$, $(1)^2 = 1^3 = 1$

When $n = 2$, $(1 + 2)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 = 9$

The base cases are obviously true. Now, suppose that the statement is true when $n = k$ where $k \geq 1$.

Thus, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3$

Since $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$, by expansion, we get $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 + 2(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)(k + 1) + (k + 1)^2$

Since, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)^2 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3$, by substitution, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 = (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + 2(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k)(k + 1) + (k + 1)^2$

Then, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 = (1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + k^3) + (\frac{2k(k+1)}{2}) + (k+1)^2$

Thus, $(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + k + (k + 1))^2 = (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3) + (k + 1)^3$

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