

Exercise 4.5. [1XG] Prove^a by induction the following assertions:

$$1. \sum_{k=1}^n k = \frac{n(n+1)}{2};$$

$$2. \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6};$$

$$3. \sum_{k=1}^n k^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4};$$

$$4. \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{4k^2-1} = \frac{n}{2n+1};$$

$$5. \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{2^k} = 2 - \frac{n+2}{2^n};$$

$$6. n! \geq 2^{n-1};$$

7. If $x > -1$ is a real number and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then $(1+x)^n \geq 1+nx$
(Bernoulli inequality).

Solution 1. [1XK]

^aIn the following exercises we give for good knowledge of the operations typical of the natural numbers, and their order relation.