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1. (2 points) Find the prime factorization of 660.
2. (3 points) Find the $\gcd(2730, 570)$ using the Euclidean algorithm.
3. Use proof by induction to prove the following results:
 - (a) (15 points) $1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + 2n - 1 = n^2$
 - (b) (15 points) $1 + 8 + 27 + \dots + n^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}$
 - (c) (15 points) $9^n + 3$ is divisible by 4, where n is a natural number.

4. Consider the following sequence of sums:

$$\frac{1}{1*2}$$

$$\frac{1}{1*2} + \frac{1}{2*3}$$

$$\frac{1}{1*2} + \frac{1}{2*3} + \frac{1}{3*4}$$

- (a) (5 points) Calculate the sums and generalize the pattern.
- (b) (15 points) Prove your conjecture using proof by induction.

5. (10 points) Describe the error in the following “proof” via strong induction.

All Fibonacci numbers are even.

Remember that all Fibonacci numbers are denoted F_0, F_1, F_2, \dots where $F_0 = 0, F_1 = 1$ and $F_i = F_{i-1} + F_{i-2}$ for $i \geq 2$. The first few Fibonacci numbers are 0,1,1,2,3,5,8,13,...

Proof: Let $P(n)$ be the statement that F_n is even. In the base case, $P(0)$ is true because $F_0 = 0$, which is even. In the inductive hypothesis, $n \geq 0$, assume that F_0, F_1, \dots, F_n are all even. We need to prove F_{n+1} is even. By definition, $F_{n+1} = F_n + F_{n-1}$. Since both F_n and F_{n-1} are even and the sum of two even numbers is even, then F_{n+1} is even.

6. (20 points) Prove via strong induction the **Binary Representation Theorem**: every positive integer n can be expressed as $n = c_r 2^r + c_{r-1} 2^{r-1} + \dots + c_2 2^2 + c_1 2 + c_0$, where c_r, c_{r-1}, \dots, c_0 are either 0 or 1. For example $2 = 1 * 2^1 + 0$, $7 = 1 * 2^2 + 1 * 2^1 + 1$, and $6 = 1 * 2^2 + 1 * 2^1 + 0$.