Formale Systeme Proseminar

Tasks for Week 13, 9.1.2020

Task 1 Show that for cardinals |A|, |B| we have (as expected from the notation): $|A| \le |B|$ iff $|B| \ge |A|$.

Task 2 Show that the function $f: \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{N}$ given by

$$f(k) = |k| = \begin{cases} k & \text{if } k \ge 0\\ -k & \text{if } k < 0 \end{cases}$$

is a surjection. Hence, this, together with Task 1, proves that $|\mathbb{N}| \leq |\mathbb{Z}|$.

Task 3 Prove that $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow |A| \le |B|$.

Task 4 Prove by induction that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0, 1\}.(1 + 3 + \ldots + (2n - 1) = n^2).$$

Task 5 The sequence $(a_i \mid i \in \mathbb{N})$ is inductively defined by $a_0 = 0$

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 $a_{i+1} = a_i + 3$

Prove (by induction) that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}.3 | a_n$. Try to find a closed formula for a_n and prove by induction that it is really true.

Task 6 Prove by induction that if A is a finite set, i.e., |A| = k for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ then

$$|\mathcal{P}(A)| = 2^{\kappa}.$$