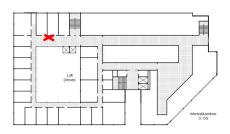
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Solutions are due Wednesday, November 23rd, 2011, until 11:25 in the cupboard for handing in practice sheets. Please put your name on all pages!



Exercise 1 (Number of Triangulations): Find the number of distinct triangulations for the polygon in Figure 1.

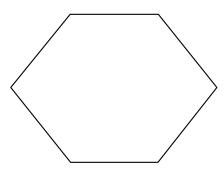


Figure 1: A polygon.

(10 points)

Exercise 2 (Number of Triangles): Prove theorem 1.5 from the lecture: Every polygon with n vertices and h holes may be triangulated. The triangulation has n + 2h - 2 triangles.

(15 points)

Exercise 3 (Number of Reflex Vertices): Prove the following theorem: In an orthogonal polygon of n vertices, r of which are reflex, n = 2r + 4. Advice: First, show that the sum of the interior angles of a polygon is $(n-2)\pi$. (10 points)

Exercise 4 (Third Vertex): Construct a polygon with n = 3k vertices such that placing a guard at every third vertex fails to protect the gallery. (10 points)

Exercise 5 (Exterior Point Guards): Prove the following statement: $\lceil \frac{n+1}{3} \rceil$ point guards suffice to cover the exterior of an *n*-vertex polygon *P*. (15 points)