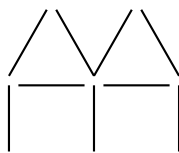


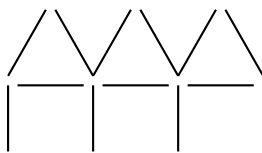
Math 1124: Homework 1

Due: Monday, August 27th

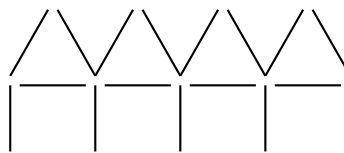
1) Below, we are given a sequence of “rowhouses” made by toothpicks:



Rowhouse 1



Rowhouse 2



Rowhouse 3

- How many toothpicks will it take to make rowhouse 0? How many toothpicks will it take to make rowhouse 5?
- Give two different algebraic expressions for the number of toothpicks in rowhouse n .
- Give two pictorial arguments explaining why your two different expressions are valid for **any** numbered rowhouse.
- Give an algebraic argument explaining why your two different expressions are equal.