

Question 1

Prove that $(4x - 1)(2x + 3) - (2x + 1)^2 = 2(2x - 1)(x + 2)$.

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EXPAND BRACKETS ON LHS

$$(4x - 1)(2x + 3) - (2x + 1)(2x + 1) \quad \text{FOIL}$$

$$(8x^2 - 2x + 12x - 3) - (4x^2 + 2x + 2x + 1)$$

$$(8x^2 + 10x - 3) - (4x^2 + 4x + 1)$$

SIMPLIFY, TAKE CARE WITH NEGATIVES

$$8x^2 + 10x - 3 - 4x^2 - 4x - 1 = 4x^2 + 6x - 4$$

FACTOR OF 2

$$2(2x^2 + 3x - 2)$$

FACTORISE REMAINING QUADRATIC

$$\therefore 2(2x - 1)(x + 2) = \text{RHS AS REQUIRED}$$

$$(4x - 1)(2x + 3) - (2x + 1)^2 = 2(2x - 1)(x + 2)$$

Question 2

Prove that $x^2 - 3x + 3$ is positive for all values of x .

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PROVE QUADRATIC IS ALWAYS POSITIVE USING A DISCRIMINANT $b^2 - 4ac < 0$

$$b^2 - 4ac < 0 \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{U} \\ \text{ } \\ \text{ } \end{array} \quad x^2 - 3x + 3 > 0$$

$a = 1 \quad b = -3 \quad c = 3$
 $(-3)^2 - 4(1)(3) < 0$
 $9 - 12 < 0$
 $-3 < 0 \quad \checkmark \checkmark$
 $\therefore x^2 - 3x + 3 > 0 \text{ FOR ALL VALUES OF } x$

Question 3

Prove that $(a - b)^2 - (a + b)^2 = -4ab$.

[3]

EXPAND BRACKETS ON LHS

$$(a - b)(a - b) - (a + b)(a + b)$$

$$(a^2 - 2ab + b^2) - (a^2 + 2ab + b^2)$$

SIMPLIFY $a^2 - 2ab + b^2 - a^2 - 2ab - b^2$

$$-4ab = \text{RHS AS REQUIRED}$$

\therefore

$$(a - b)^2 - (a + b)^2 = -4ab$$

Question 4

Prove that the sum of any three consecutive integers is a multiple of 3.

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LET THREE CONSECUTIVE INTEGERS BE

$$n - 1, n, n + 1$$

THEN

$$n - 1 + n + n + 1$$

$$= 3n$$

WHICH IS A MULTIPLE OF 3

\therefore

THE SUM OF 3 CONSECUTIVE
INTEGERS IS A MULTIPLE OF 3

Question 5

Prove that $x^2 + 2 \geq 2$ for all values of x .

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GIVEN THAT

$$x^2 + 2 \geq 2$$

THEN

$$x^2 \geq 0$$

ALL SQUARE NUMBERS ARE
ALWAYS POSITIVE

\therefore

$$x^2 + 2 \geq 2$$

FOR ALL VALUES OF x

Question 6

Prove that the square of an even number is a multiple of 4.

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LET AN EVEN NUMBER BE $2n$

THEN

$$(2n)^2 = 4n^2$$

$$\equiv 4(n^2)$$

WHICH IS A MULTIPLE OF 4

\therefore

THE SQUARE OF AN EVEN NUMBER
IS ALWAYS A MULTIPLE OF 4

Question 7

(a) Factorise $n^2 + 3n + 2$.

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a)

$$(n+1)(n+2)$$

(b) Hence show that $n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n = n(n+1)(n+2)$.

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(c) Given that n is even, write down whether $(n+1)$ and $(n+2)$ are odd or even.

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(d) Hence deduce whether $n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n$ is odd or even. Justify your answer.

[2]

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b)

$$n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n$$

(b) Hence show that $n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n = n(n+1)(n+2)$.

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$$n(n^2 + 3n + 2)$$

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c)

[1] GIVEN THAT n IS EVEN

[1] CONSECUTIVE INTEGERS ALTERNATE
BETWEEN ODD AND EVEN

[2]
 $n+1$ MUST BE ODD
 $n+2$ MUST BE EVEN

[2]

(a) Factorise $n^2 + 3n + 2$.

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d)

[1] GIVEN THAT

[1] $n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n \equiv n(n+1)(n+2)$

[2] THEN

IF n IS ODD

$n+1 = \text{EVEN}$

$n+2 = \text{ODD}$

IF n IS EVEN

$n+1 = \text{ODD}$

$n+2 = \text{EVEN}$

AT LEAST ONE TERM OF $n(n+1)(n+2)$
IS ALWAYS EVEN, THEREFORE

$n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n$ MUST ALWAYS BE EVEN

Question 8

(a) Show that $(3n + 2)^2 - (n + 2)^2 = 8n^2 + 8n$, where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. SET OF INTEGERS

[2]

(b) Hence, or otherwise, prove that $(3n + 2)^2 - (n + 2)^2$ is a multiple of 8.

[2]

a) EXPAND BRACKETS ON LHS

$$(3n+2)(3n+2) - (n+2)(n+2)$$

$$(9n^2 + 12n + 4) - (n^2 + 4n + 4)$$

SIMPLIFY $9n^2 + 12n + 4 - n^2 - 4n - 4$

$$8n^2 + 8n = \text{RHS AS REQUIRED}$$

∴

$$(3n+2)^2 - (n+2)^2 = 8n^2 + 8n$$

(a) Show that $(3n + 2)^2 - (n + 2)^2 = 8n^2 + 8n$, where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

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(b) Hence, or otherwise, prove that $(3n + 2)^2 - (n + 2)^2$ is a multiple of 8.

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b) USING $(3n+2)^2 - (n+2)^2 = 8n^2 + 8n$ FROM (a)

FACTORISE

$$8n^2 + 8n = 8(n^2 + n)$$

$8(n^2 + n)$ IS A MULTIPLE OF 8

∴

$$(3n+2)^2 - (n+2)^2 \text{ IS A MULTIPLE OF } 8$$