

1.10

Prove $(2n+1) + (2n+3) + (2n+5) + \dots + (4n-1) = 3n^2$ for all positive integers n .

- The n th proposition is $P_n: "(2n+1) + (2n+3) + (2n+5) + \dots + (4n-1) = 3n^2."$
- Base Case $n=1$: $P_1 = 2(1)+1 = 3(1)^2 \Rightarrow 3=3 \checkmark$
- Induction Step: Suppose $(2n+1) + (2n+3) + (2n+5) + \dots + (4n-1) = 3n^2$ true.
- want to prove P_{n+1} is true, add $n+1$ to both sides:

$$\begin{aligned} \underbrace{(2n+1) + (2n+3) + (2n+5) + \dots + (4n-1)}_{= 3n^2} + (n+1) &= 3n^2 + (n+1) \\ \hookrightarrow 3n^2 + n + 1 &= 3n^2 + n + 1 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

1.12

For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $n!$ denote the product $1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdots n$. Also let $0! = 1$ and define

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} \quad \text{for } k=0, 1, \dots, n.$$

The binomial theorem asserts that

$$\begin{aligned} (a+b)^n &= \binom{n}{0} a^n + \binom{n}{1} a^{n-1} b + \binom{n}{2} a^{n-2} b^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1} a b^{n-1} + \binom{n}{n} b^n \\ &= a^n + n a^{n-1} b + \frac{1}{2} n(n-1) a^{n-2} b^2 + \dots + n a b^{n-1} + b^n \end{aligned}$$

(a) Verify the binomial theorem for $n=1, 2$, and 3 .

$n=1$:

$$(a+b) = a^1 + (1) a^{1-1} b \Rightarrow a+b = a+b$$

$n=2$:

$$\begin{aligned} (a+b)^2 &= a^2 + 2ab + \frac{1}{2}(2)(2-1)a^0 b^2 \\ a^2 + 2ab + b^2 &= a^2 + 2ab + b^2 \end{aligned}$$

$n=3$:

$$\begin{aligned} (a+b)^3 &= \binom{3}{0} a^3 + \binom{3}{1} a^2 b + \binom{3}{2} a b^2 + \binom{3}{3} b^3 \\ a^3 + 3a^2 b + 3ab^2 + b^3 &= a^3 + 3a^2 b + 3ab^2 + b^3 \quad * \end{aligned}$$

$$\binom{3}{0} = 1 \quad \binom{3}{3} = 1$$

$$\binom{3}{1} = \frac{3!}{1!(3-1)!} = \frac{3!}{2!} = 3$$

$$\binom{3}{2} = \frac{3!}{2!(3-2)!} = \frac{3!}{2!} = 3$$

(b) Show $\binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1} = \binom{n+1}{k}$ for $k=1, 2, \dots, n$.

• $k=n$:

$$= \binom{n}{n} + \binom{n}{n-1} = \binom{n+1}{n}$$

$$= 1 + n = n+1$$

• A number n choose the number below it, that is, $n-1$, is equal to n

AKA: $\frac{n!}{(n-1)!(n-(n-1))!} = \frac{n!}{(n-1)!} = n$

• similar logic

$$= \frac{n(n-1)!}{(n-1)!} = n \quad \square$$

(c) Prove the binomial theorem using mathematical induction and part (b)

• The n^{th} proposition P_n is

$$(a+b)^n = \binom{n}{0}a^n + \binom{n}{1}a^{n-1}b + \binom{n}{2}a^{n-2}b^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1}ab^{n-1} + \binom{n}{n}b^n$$

• Base Case $n=1$:

$$(a+b) = \binom{1}{0}a + \binom{1}{1}a^0b$$

$$(a+b) = a+b \quad \checkmark$$

• Induction Step:

Suppose $(a+b)^n = \binom{n}{0}a^n + \binom{n}{1}a^{n-1}b + \binom{n}{2}a^{n-2}b^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1}ab^{n-1} + \binom{n}{n}b^n$ true
Want to prove P_{n+1} true

$$(a+b)^{n+1} = \binom{n+1}{0}a^{n+1} + \binom{n+1}{1}a^n b + \binom{n+1}{2}a^{n-1}b^2 + \dots + \binom{n+1}{n}a b^n + \binom{n+1}{n+1}b^{n+1}$$

$$(a+b)^n (a+b) =$$

$$\binom{n}{0}a^{n+1} + \binom{n}{1}a^n b + \binom{n}{2}a^{n-1}b^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1}a^2 b^{n-1} + \binom{n}{n}a b^n$$

$$+ \binom{n}{0}a^n b + \binom{n}{1}a^{n-1}b^2 + \binom{n}{2}a^{n-2}b^3 + \dots + \binom{n}{n-1}a b^n + \binom{n}{n}b^{n+1} =$$

$$\Rightarrow \binom{n}{0}a^{n+1} + a^n b \left[\binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{0} \right] + a^{n-1} b^2 \left[\binom{n}{2} + \binom{n}{1} \right] + \dots + a b^n \left[\binom{n}{n} + \binom{n}{n-1} \right] + \binom{n}{n} b^{n+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \binom{n}{0}a^{n+1} + a^n b \left[\binom{n+1}{1} \right] + a^{n-1} b^2 \left[\binom{n+1}{2} \right] + \dots + a b^n \left[\binom{n+1}{n} \right] + \binom{n}{n} b^{n+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \binom{n+1}{0}a^{n+1} + \binom{n+1}{n}a^n b + \binom{n+1}{n}a^{n-1}b^2 + \dots + \binom{n+1}{n}a b^n + \binom{n+1}{1}b^{n+1} =$$

$$\binom{n+1}{0}a^{n+1} + \binom{n+1}{1}a^n b + \binom{n+1}{2}a^{n-1}b^2 + \dots + \binom{n+1}{n}a b^n + \binom{n+1}{n+1}b^{n+1}$$

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2.1

Show $\sqrt{3}$, $\sqrt{5}$, $\sqrt{7}$, $\sqrt{24}$, and $\sqrt{31}$ are not rational numbers.

- $\sqrt{3}$: $x^2 - 3 = 0$, $c_0 = -3$, using 2.3 Corollary on page 10 of Ross, the only possible ^{rational} solutions are ± 1 and ± 3 . We know $\sqrt{3}$ is a solution. Let's try our possible solutions:
 $(-1)^2 - 3 \neq 0$, $(1)^2 - 3 \neq 0$, $(-3)^2 - 3 \neq 0$, $(3)^2 - 3 \neq 0$.
None of these possible ^{rational} solutions are solutions. Because $\sqrt{3}$ is a solution, it cannot be rational. \square
- $\sqrt{5}$: $x^2 - 5 = 0$, $c_0 = -5$, ^{only} possible ^{rational} solutions are ± 1 and ± 5 .
 $(-1)^2 - 5 \neq 0$, $(1)^2 - 5 \neq 0$, $(-5)^2 - 5 \neq 0$, $(5)^2 - 5 \neq 0$.
None of these possible ^{rational} solutions are solutions; because $\sqrt{5}$ is a solution, it cannot be rational. \square
- $\sqrt{7}$: $x^2 - 7 = 0$, $c_0 = -7$, ^{only} possible ^{rational} solutions are ± 1 and ± 7 .
 $(-1)^2 - 7 \neq 0$, $(1)^2 - 7 \neq 0$, $(-7)^2 - 7 \neq 0$, $(7)^2 - 7 \neq 0$.
None of these possible ^{rational} solutions are solutions; because $\sqrt{7}$ is a solution, it cannot be rational. \square
- $\sqrt{24}$: $x^2 - 24 = 0$, $c_0 = -24$, ^{only} possible ^{rational} solutions are $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 8, \pm 12$, and ± 24 . $\rightarrow (-1)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(1)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(-2)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(2)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(-3)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(3)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(-4)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(4)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(-6)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(6)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(-8)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(8)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(-12)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(12)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(-24)^2 - 24 \neq 0$, $(24)^2 - 24 \neq 0$.
None of these possible ^{rational} solutions are solutions; because $\sqrt{24}$ is a solution, it cannot be rational. \square
- $\sqrt{31}$: $x^2 - 31 = 0$, $c_0 = -31$, ^{only} possible ^{rational} solutions are ± 1 and ± 31 .
 $(-1)^2 - 31 \neq 0$, $(1)^2 - 31 \neq 0$, $(-31)^2 - 31 \neq 0$, $(31)^2 - 31 \neq 0$.
None of these possible ^{rational} solutions are solutions; because $\sqrt{31}$ is a solution, it cannot be rational. \square

2.2 Show $\sqrt[3]{2}$, $\sqrt[7]{5}$ and $\sqrt[4]{13}$ are not rational numbers.

• $\sqrt[3]{2}$: $x^3 - 2 = 0$, $c_0 = -2$, only rational possible solutions are ± 1 and ± 2 .
 $(-1)^3 - 2 \neq 0$, $(1)^3 - 2 \neq 0$, $(-2)^3 - 2 \neq 0$, $(2)^3 - 2 \neq 0$.
 None of the possible solutions are solutions. Because $\sqrt[3]{2}$ is a solution, it cannot be rational. \square

• $\sqrt[7]{5}$: $x^7 - 5 = 0$, $c_0 = -5$, only possible rational solutions are ± 1 and ± 5 .
 $(-1)^7 - 5 \neq 0$, $(1)^7 - 5 \neq 0$, $(-5)^7 - 5 \neq 0$, $(5)^7 - 5 \neq 0$. None of the possible rational solutions are solutions. Because $\sqrt[7]{5}$ is a solution, it cannot be rational. \square

• $\sqrt[4]{13}$: $x^4 - 13 = 0$, $c_0 = -13$, only possible rational solutions are ± 1 & ± 13 .
 $(-1)^4 - 13 \neq 0$, $(1)^4 - 13 \neq 0$, $(-13)^4 - 13 \neq 0$, $(13)^4 - 13 \neq 0$. None of the possible rational solutions are solutions. Because $\sqrt[4]{13}$ is a solution, it cannot be rational. \square

2.7 Show the following irrational looking are actually rational numbers:
 (a) $\sqrt{4+2\sqrt{3}} - \sqrt{3}$ and (b) $\sqrt{6+4\sqrt{2}} - \sqrt{2}$

• (a) $\sqrt{4+2\sqrt{3}} - \sqrt{3}$

$$b = \sqrt{4+2\sqrt{3}} - \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow b + \sqrt{3} = \sqrt{4+2\sqrt{3}} \Rightarrow (b + \sqrt{3})^2 = 4 + 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 + 2\sqrt{3}b + 3 = 4 + 2\sqrt{3} \Rightarrow b^2 + 2\sqrt{3}b + 2\sqrt{3} - 1 = 0, \text{ which shows } b = \sqrt{4+2\sqrt{3}} - \sqrt{3} \text{ satisfies the polynomial eqn } x^2 + 2\sqrt{3}x + 2\sqrt{3} - 1 = 0. \quad \square$$

• (b) $\sqrt{6+4\sqrt{2}} - \sqrt{2}$

$$a = \sqrt{6+4\sqrt{2}} - \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow a + \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{6+4\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow (a + \sqrt{2})^2 = 6 + 4\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow a^2 + 2\sqrt{2}a + 2 = 6 + 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 2\sqrt{2}a - 4 + 4\sqrt{2} = 0, \text{ which shows } a = \sqrt{6+4\sqrt{2}} - \sqrt{2} \text{ satisfies the polynomial equation } x^2 + 2\sqrt{2}x - 4 + 4\sqrt{2} = 0. \quad \square$$

4.11

Consider $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ where $a < b$. Use Denseness of \mathbb{Q} 4.7 to show there are infinitely many rationals between a and b .

- 4.7 Denseness of \mathbb{Q} :
If $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and $a < b$, then there is a rational $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that $a < r < b$.
- Then there must also be another number that is in between a and r_1 : $a < r_2 < r_1$, and another between a and r_2 : $a < r_3 < r_2$. This
- This pattern is repeated for n ($n=1, 2, \dots$)
- (I'm not sure how to formalize this argument, in proper mathematical language)

4.14

Let A and B be nonempty, bounded subsets of \mathbb{R} , and let $A+B$ be the set of all sums $a+b$ where $a \in A$ and $b \in B$.

- a) Prove $\sup(A+B) = \sup A + \sup B$. Hint: To show $\sup A + \sup B \leq \sup(A+B)$, show that for each $b \in B$, $\sup(A+B) - b$ is an upper bound for A , hence $\sup A \leq \sup(A+B) - b$. Then show $\sup(A+B) - \sup A$ is an upper bound for B .
- A is bounded $\Rightarrow A \subseteq [a_L, a_U]$ where a_L is the lower bound for A and a_U is the upper bound for A .
 - B is bounded $\Rightarrow B \subseteq [b_L, b_U]$ where b_L is the lower bound for B and b_U is the upper bound for B .
 - By the 4.4 Completeness Axiom on page 23, $\sup A$ and $\sup B$ exist and are real numbers $\Rightarrow \sup A + \sup B$ exists
 - Not sure how to show for each $b \in B$, $A \leq \sup(A+B) - b$

7.5

(a) limit s_n where $s_n = \sqrt{n^2 + 1} - n \Rightarrow \lim \sqrt{n^2 + 1} - n$

$n=0, \lim s_n = 1 / n=2, \lim s_n = \sqrt{5} - 2 / n=10, \lim s_n = \frac{\sqrt{101} - 10}{\sim 0.049}$
 $\Rightarrow \lim s_n = 0$

(b) $\lim (\sqrt{n^2 + n} - n) \quad n=1, a = \sqrt{2} - 1 / n=10, a = \sqrt{110} - 10 / n=100, a = \sqrt{1000} - 100$
 $\Rightarrow \lim (\sqrt{n^2 + n} - n) = \frac{1}{2}$
 $\sim 0.41 \quad \sim 2.48 \quad \sim 0.49$

(c) $\lim (\sqrt{4n^2 + n} - 2n) = \frac{\sqrt{4n^2 + n} - 2n \cdot \sqrt{4n^2 + n} + 2n}{\sqrt{4n^2 + n} + 2n}$
 $= \lim \frac{4n^2 + n - 4n^2}{\sqrt{4n^2 + n} + 2n} = \lim \frac{n}{\sqrt{4n^2 + n} + 2n} = \frac{1}{4}$