

INDUCTION - WHEN STEP 2 WORKS, BUT NOT STEP 1

1 Let $S(n)$ be the statement: $n^2 + n$ is an odd integer.

(a) Show that if $S(k)$ is true, then $(k + 1)$ is true.

(b) Is $S(1)$ true?

(c) Is $S(n)$ true for any n ?

(d) If the statement is not true, what change do you need to make to make it true? Prove your new statement.

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2 Given $1^2 + 4^2 + 7^2 + \dots + (3n - 2)^2 = \frac{n}{2}(6n^2 - 3n - 1)$.

(a) Show that if $S(k)$ is true then $S(k + 1)$ is true.

(b) Is $S(1)$ true?

(c) Is $S(n)$ true for any n ?

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3 It is stated that $n^2 - n + 41$ is prime for $n \geq 1$.

- (a) Is this statement true for $n = 1$?
- (b) Is this statement true for $n = 2$?
- (c) Is this statement true for $n = 5$?
- (d) Is it possible to find a value of n for which this expression does not give a prime number? Justify your answer.
- (e) Is the given statement true or false?

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- 4 Let $S(n)$ be the statement: $n^2 - n$ is an odd integer.
- (a) Show that if $S(k)$ is true then $S(k + 1)$ is true.
 - (b) Is $S(1)$ true?
 - (c) Is $S(n)$ true for any n ?
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