

# Specialist Mathematics Unit2: Chapter 12

## Ex 12B

1. If the number is even, we can represent it as  $2n$ , for a suitably chosen integer value  $n$ .

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

which is a multiple of 4, and hence is even.

If the number is odd, we can represent it as  $2n+1$  for a suitably chosen integer value  $n$ .

$$\begin{aligned}(2n+1)^2 &= 4n^2 + 4n + 1 \\ &= 4(n^2 + n) + 1\end{aligned}$$

which is one more than a multiple of 4, and hence is odd.

2. There are five possible cases. The number is

- a multiple of 5;
- one more than a multiple of 5;
- two more than a multiple of 5;
- three more than a multiple of 5; or
- four more than a multiple of 5.

Considering each of these exhaustively:

- If the number is a multiple of 5:

$$\begin{aligned}(5n)^2 &= 25n^2 \\ &= 5(5n^2)\end{aligned}$$

The square is a multiple of 5.

- If the number is one more than a multiple of 5:

$$\begin{aligned}(5n+1)^2 &= 25n^2 + 10n + 1 \\ &= 5(5n^2 + 2n) + 1\end{aligned}$$

The square is 1 more than a multiple of 5.

- If the number is two more than a multiple of 5:

$$\begin{aligned}(5n+2)^2 &= 25n^2 + 20n + 4 \\ &= 5(5n^2 + 4n) + 4\end{aligned}$$

The square is 4 more than a multiple of 5.

- If the number is three more than a multiple of 5:

$$\begin{aligned}(5n+3)^2 &= 25n^2 + 30n + 9 \\ &= 5(5n^2 + 4n + 1) + 4\end{aligned}$$

The square is 4 more than a multiple of 5.

- If the number is four more than a multiple of 5:

$$\begin{aligned}(5n+4)^2 &= 25n^2 + 80n + 16 \\ &= 5(5n^2 + 4n + 3) + 1\end{aligned}$$

The square is 1 more than a multiple of 5.

3. The the number is

- a multiple of 3;
- one more than a multiple of 3; or
- two more than a multiple of 3.

Considering each of these exhaustively:

- If the number is a multiple of 3:

$$\begin{aligned}(3n)^3 &= 27n^3 \\ &= 9(3n^3)\end{aligned}$$

The cube is a multiple of 9.

- If the number is one more than a multiple of 3:

$$\begin{aligned}(3n+1)^3 &= (9n^2 + 6n + 1)(3n + 1) \\ &= 27n^3 + 9n^2 + 18n^2 + 6n + 3n + 1 \\ &= 27n^3 + 27n^2 + 9n + 1 \\ &= 9(3n^3 + 3n^2 + n) + 1\end{aligned}$$

The cube is 1 more than a multiple of 9.

- If the number is two more than a multiple of 3:

$$\begin{aligned}(3n+2)^3 &= (9n^2 + 12n + 4)(3n + 2) \\ &= 27n^3 + 18n^2 + 36n^2 + 24n + 12n + 8 \\ &= 27n^3 + 54n^2 + 36n + 9 - 1 \\ &= 9(3n^3 + 6n^2 + 4n + 1) - 1\end{aligned}$$

The cube is 1 less than a multiple of 9.

4. • Suppose  $T_n$  is even, i.e.  $T_n = 2x$  for some integer  $x$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} T_{n+1} &= 3T_n + 2 \\ &= 3(2x) + 2 \\ &= 2(3x + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $T_{n+1}$  is also even.

- Suppose  $T_n$  is odd, i.e.  $T_n = 2x + 1$  for some integer  $x$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} T_{n+1} &= 3T_n + 2 \\ &= 3(2x + 1) + 2 \\ &= 6x + 5 \\ &= 2(3x + 2) + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $T_{n+1}$  is also odd.

$\therefore T_{n+1}$  has the same parity as  $T_n$ .

5. Consider  $x^5 - x = x(x - 1)(x + 1)(x^2 + 1)$

- If  $x = 5n$  then  $x^5 - x$  has  $x = 5n$  as a factor, so it is a multiple of 5.
- If  $x = 5n + 1$  then  $x^5 - x$  has  $(x - 1) = (5n + 1) - 1 = 5n$  as a factor, so it is a multiple of 5.
- If  $x = 5n + 2$  then

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 1 &= (5n + 2)^2 + 1 \\ &= 25n^2 + 20n + 5 \\ &= 5(5n^2 + 4n + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Hence as  $x^5 - x$  has  $(x^2 + 1) = 5(5n^2 + 4n + 1)$  as a factor, it is a multiple of 5.

- If  $x = 5n + 3$  then

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 1 &= (5n + 3)^2 + 1 \\ &= 25n^2 + 30n + 10 \\ &= 5(5n^2 + 6n + 2) \end{aligned}$$

Hence as  $x^5 - x$  has  $(x^2 + 1) = 5(5n^2 + 6n + 2)$  as a factor, it is a multiple of 5.

- If  $x = 5n + 4$  then  $x^5 - x$  has  $(x + 1) = (5n + 4) + 1 = 5n + 5 = 5(n + 1)$  as a factor, so it is a multiple of 5.

Hence,  $x^5 - x$  for  $x > 1$  is always a multiple of 5.

As one or other of  $x$  and  $x - 1$  is even,  $x^5 - x$  always has 2 as a factor. Since it has both 2 and 5 as factors, it is always a multiple of 10.

If  $x$  is odd, both  $x - 1$  and  $x + 1$  are even, so  $x^5 - x$  is a multiple of  $2 \times 2 \times 5 = 20$ .

If  $x$  is even,  $x - 1$  and  $x + 1$  are both odd. For  $x^2 + 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 1 &= (2n)^2 + 1 \\ &= 4n^2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

which is also odd, so  $x^5 - x$  has only one factor of 2, and so is not a multiple of 20. We can check this with an example. If  $x = 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x^5 - x &= 2^5 - 2 \\ &= 32 - 2 \\ &= 30 \end{aligned}$$

which is not a multiple of 20.

6. • If  $x = 7n$  then  $x^7 - x$  has  $x = 7n$  as a factor, so it is a multiple of 7.
- If  $x = 7n + 1$  then  $x^7 - x$  has  $(x - 1) = (7n + 1) - 1 = 7n$  as a factor, so it is a multiple of 7.
  - If  $x = 7n + 2$  then

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + x + 1 &= (7n + 2)^2 + (7n + 2) + 1 \\ &= 49n^2 + 28n + 4 + 7n + 2 + 1 \\ &= 49n^2 + 35n + 7 \\ &= 7(7n^2 + 5n + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Hence as  $x^7 - x$  has  $(x^2 + x + 1) = 7(7n^2 + 5n + 1)$  as a factor, it is a multiple of 7.

- If  $x = 7n + 3$  then

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - x + 1 &= (7n + 3)^2 - (7n + 3) + 1 \\ &= 49n^2 + 42n + 9 - 7n - 3 + 1 \\ &= 49n^2 + 35n + 7 \\ &= 7(7n^2 + 5n + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Hence as  $x^7 - x$  has  $(x^2 - x + 1) = 7(7n^2 + 5n + 1)$  as a factor, it is a multiple of 7.

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- If  $x = 7n + 4$  then

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + x + 1 &= (7n + 4)^2 + (7n + 4) + 1 \\ &= 49n^2 + 56n + 16 + 7n + 4 + 1 \\ &= 49n^2 + 56n + 21 \\ &= 7(7n^2 + 8n + 3)\end{aligned}$$

Hence as  $x^7 - x$  has  $(x^2 + x + 1) = 7(7n^2 + 8n + 3)$  as a factor, it is a multiple of 7.

- If  $x = 7n + 5$  then

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - x + 1 &= (7n + 5)^2 - (7n + 5) + 1 \\ &= 49n^2 + 70n + 25 - 7n - 5 + 1 \\ &= 49n^2 + 63n + 21 \\ &= 7(7n^2 + 9n + 3)\end{aligned}$$

Hence as  $x^7 - x$  has  $(x^2 - x + 1) = 7(7n^2 + 9n + 3)$  as a factor, it is a multiple of 7.

- If  $x = 7n + 6$  then  $x^7 - x$  has  $(x + 1) = (7n + 6) + 1 = 7n + 7 = 7(n + 1)$  as a factor, so it is a multiple of 7.

Hence,  $x^7 - x$  for  $x > 1$  is always a multiple of 7.

1.

The initial case, where  $n = 1$ ,

$$1 = \frac{1}{2}(1)(1 + 1)$$

is true.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + k = \frac{1}{2}k(k + 1)$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned}1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + k + (k + 1) &= \frac{1}{2}k(k + 1) + (k + 1) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2}k + 1\right)(k + 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(k + 2)(k + 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(k + 1)((k + 1) + 1)\end{aligned}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Since the statement is true for  $n = 1$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n \geq 1$ .

3.

The initial case, where  $n = 1$ :

$$2 = 2^2 - 2$$

The statement is true for the initial case.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.

$$2 + 4 + 8 + \dots + 2^k = 2^{k+1} - 2$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned}2 + 4 + 8 + \dots + 2^k + 2^{k+1} &= 2^{k+1} - 2 + 2^{k+1} \\ &= 2(2^{k+1}) - 2 \\ &= 2^{(k+1)+1} - 2\end{aligned}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence since the statement is true for  $n = 1$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n \geq 1$ .

2.

The initial case, where  $n = 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= 1(1 + 1) \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.S.} &= \frac{1}{3}(1 + 1)(1 + 2) \\ &= 2 \\ &= \text{L.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

The statement is true for the initial case.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.

$$1 \times 2 + 2 \times 3 + 3 \times 4 + \dots + k(k + 1) = \frac{k}{3}(k + 1)(k + 2)$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \times 2 + 2 \times 3 + 3 \times 4 + \dots + k(k + 1) + (k + 1)(k + 2) & \\ &= \frac{k}{3}(k + 1)(k + 2) + (k + 1)(k + 2) \\ &= \left(\frac{k}{3} + 1\right)(k + 1)(k + 2) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}(k + 3)(k + 1)(k + 2) \\ &= \frac{k + 1}{3}(k + 2)(k + 3) \\ &= \frac{k + 1}{3}((k + 1) + 1)((k + 1) + 2) \end{aligned}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence since the statement is true for  $n = 1$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n \geq 1$ .

4.

The initial case, where  $n = 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= 1(1 + 1)^3 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.S.} &= \frac{1^2}{4}(1 + 1)(1 + 2)^2 \\ &= 1 \\ &= \text{L.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

The statement is true for the initial case.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.

$$1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + 4^3 + \dots + k^3 = \frac{k^2}{4}(k + 1)^2$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + 4^3 + \dots + k^3 + (k + 1)^3 & \\ &= \frac{k^2}{4}(k + 1)^2 + (k + 1)^3 \\ &= \frac{k^2}{4}(k + 1)^2 + (k + 1)(k + 1)^2 \\ &= \frac{k^2 + 4(k + 1)}{4}(k + 1)^2 \\ &= \frac{k^2 + 4k + 4}{4}(k + 1)^2 \\ &= \frac{(k + 2)^2}{4}(k + 1)^2 \\ &= \frac{(k + 1)^2}{4}(k + 2)^2 \\ &= \frac{(k + 1)^2}{4}((k + 1) + 1)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence since the statement is true for  $n = 1$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n \geq 1$ .

5.

- (a) For  $n = 2$ ,  $(2n - 1) = 4 - 1 = 3$  and  $n^2 = 4$  hence

$$1 + 3 = 4$$

is consistent with the rule.

- For  $n = 3$ ,  $(2n - 1) = 6 - 1 = 5$  and  $n^2 = 9$  hence

$$1 + 3 + 5 = 9$$

is consistent with the rule.

Verify the other statements similarly.

- (b) The initial case, where  $n = 1$ :  $2n - 1 = 1$  and

$$1 = 1^2$$

The statement is true for the initial case.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.

$$1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2k - 1) = k^2$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2k - 1) + (2(k + 1) - 1) & \\ &= k^2 + (2(k + 1) - 1) \\ &= k^2 + 2k + 2 - 1 \\ &= k^2 + 2k + 1 \\ &= (k + 1)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence since the statement is true for  $n = 1$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n \geq 1$ .

6.

The initial case, where  $n = 1$ :

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{2-1}{2}$$

The statement is true for the initial case.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^k} = \frac{2^k - 1}{2^k}$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^k} + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} &= \frac{2^k - 1}{2^k} + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \\ &= \frac{2(2^k - 1)}{2^{k+1}} + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \\ &= \frac{2(2^k - 1) + 1}{2^{k+1}} \\ &= \frac{2^{k+1} - 2 + 1}{2^{k+1}} \\ &= \frac{2^{k+1} - 1}{2^{k+1}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence since the statement is true for  $n = 1$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n \geq 1$ .

7.

The initial case, where  $n = 1$ :

$$\frac{1}{1(1+1)} = \frac{1}{1+1}$$

The statement is true for the initial case.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.

$$\frac{1}{1 \times 2} + \frac{1}{2 \times 3} + \frac{1}{3 \times 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} = \frac{k}{k+1}$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{1 \times 2} + \frac{1}{2 \times 3} + \dots + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} &= \frac{k}{k+1} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \\ &= \frac{k(k+2)}{(k+1)(k+2)} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \\ &= \frac{k(k+2) + 1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \\ &= \frac{k^2 + 2k + 1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{(k+1)^2}{(k+1)(k+2)} \\ &= \frac{k+1}{k+2} \\ &= \frac{k+1}{(k+1)+1} \end{aligned}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence since the statement is true for  $n = 1$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n \geq 1$ .

8.

The initial case, where  $n = 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= 1(1+2)(1+4) \\ &= 10 \\ \text{R.H.S.} &= \frac{1}{4}(1+1)(1+4)(1+5) \\ &= 10 \\ &= \text{L.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

The statement is true for the initial case.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \times 3 \times 5 + 2 \times 4 \times 6 + \dots + k(k+2)(k+4) &= \frac{k}{4}(k+1)(k+4)(k+5) \end{aligned}$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \times 3 \times 5 + 2 \times 4 \times 6 + \dots &+ k(k+2)(k+4) + (k+1)(k+3)(k+5) \\ &= \frac{k}{4}(k+1)(k+4)(k+5) + (k+1)(k+3)(k+5) \\ &= (k+1)(k+5) \left( \frac{k}{4}(k+4) + (k+3) \right) \\ &= \frac{k+1}{4}(k+5)(k(k+4) + 4(k+3)) \\ &= \frac{k+1}{4}((k+1)+4)(k^2 + 4k + 4k + 12) \\ &= \frac{k+1}{4}((k+1)+4)(k^2 + 8k + 12) \\ &= \frac{k+1}{4}((k+1)+4)(k+2)(k+6) \\ &= \frac{k+1}{4}((k+1)+4)((k+1)+1)((k+1)+5) \\ &= \frac{k+1}{4}((k+1)+1)((k+1)+4)((k+1)+5) \end{aligned}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence since the statement is true for  $n = 1$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n \geq 1$ .

9.

The initial case, where  $n = 1$ :  $(x - 1)$  is a factor of  $x^1 - 1$  since  $x - 1 = x^1 - 1$ .

The statement is true for the initial case.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.

$$x^k - 1 = a(x - 1)$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
x^{k+1} - 1 &= x(x^k) - 1 \\
&= x(x^k - 1 + 1) - 1 \\
&= x(x^k - 1) + x - 1 \\
&= ax(x - 1) + (x - 1) \\
&= (ax + 1)(x - 1)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence since the statement is true for  $n = 1$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n \geq 1$ .

10.

The initial case here is where  $n = 7$ , the first integer value satisfying  $n > 6$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{L.H.S.} &= 1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times 5 \times 6 \times 7 \\
&= 5040 \\
\text{R.H.S.} &= 3^7 \\
&= 2187 \\
5040 &> 2187
\end{aligned}$$

The statement is true for the initial case.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ ;  $k > 6$ , i.e.

$$1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times \dots \times k \geq 3^k$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times \dots \times k(k + 1) &\geq 3^k(k + 1) \\
3^k(k + 1) &= 3^{k+1} \frac{k + 1}{3}
\end{aligned}$$

Now  $k > 6$

$$k + 1 > 7$$

$$\frac{k + 1}{3} > 1$$

$$\therefore 3^k(k + 1) > 3^{k+1}$$

$$\therefore 1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times \dots \times k(k + 1) > 3^{k+1}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence since the statement is true for  $n = 7$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n > 6$ .

11.

The initial case, where  $n = 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
7^1 + 2 \times 13^1 &= 7 + 26 \\
&= 33 \\
&= 3 \times 11
\end{aligned}$$

The statement is true for the initial case.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.

$$7^k + 2 \times 13^k = 3a, a \in \mathbb{I}$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
7^{k+1} + 2 \times 13^{k+1} &= 7 \times 7^k + 13 \times 2 \times 13^k \\
&= 7 \times 7^k + (7 + 6) \times 2 \times 13^k \\
&= 7 \times 7^k + 7 \times 2 \times 13^k + 12 \times 13^k \\
&= 7(7^k + 2 \times 13^k) + 3(4 \times 13^k) \\
&= 7(3a) + 3(4 \times 13^k) \\
&= 3(7a + 4 \times 13^k)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence since the statement is true for  $n = 1$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n \geq 1$ .

12.

The initial case, where  $n = 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{L.H.S.} &= 2 \\
\text{R.H.S.} &= \frac{2}{3}(1 + (-1)^{1+1}2^1) \\
&= \frac{2}{3}(1 + 2) \\
&= 2 \\
&= \text{L.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

The statement is true for the initial case.

Assume the statement is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.

$$2 - 4 + 8 - 16 + \dots + (-1)^{k+1}2^k = \frac{2}{3}(1 + (-1)^{k+1}2^k)$$

Then for  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
2 - 4 + 8 - 16 + \dots + (-1)^{k+1}2^k + (-1)^{k+2}2^{k+1} \\
&= \frac{2}{3}(1 + (-1)^{k+1}2^k) + (-1)^{k+2}2^{k+1} \\
&= \frac{2}{3}(1 + (-1)^{k+1}2^k) + (-1)(-1)^{k+1}(2)2^k \\
&= \frac{2}{3}(1 + (-1)^{k+1}2^k) - 2(-1)^{k+1}2^k
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2 \left( \frac{1 + (-1)^{k+1}2^k}{3} - (-1)^{k+1}2^k \right) \\
&= 2 \left( \frac{1 + (-1)^{k+1}2^k}{3} - \frac{3(-1)^{k+1}2^k}{3} \right) \\
&= 2 \left( \frac{1 + (-1)^{k+1}2^k - 3(-1)^{k+1}2^k}{3} \right) \\
&= 2 \left( \frac{1 - 2(-1)^{k+1}2^k}{3} \right) \\
&= 2 \left( \frac{1 - (-1)^{k+1}2^{k+1}}{3} \right) \\
&= 2 \left( \frac{1 + (-1)(-1)^{k+1}2^{k+1}}{3} \right) \\
&= 2 \left( \frac{1 + (-1)^{(k+1)+1}2^{k+1}}{3} \right) \\
&= \frac{2}{3}(1 + (-1)^{(k+1)+1}2^{k+1})
\end{aligned}$$

Thus if the statement is true for  $n = k$  it is also true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence since the statement is true for  $n = 1$  it follows by induction that it is true for all integer  $n \geq 1$ .