

Assignment 1

① $\log_2 2048 = \log_{10} 2048 / \log_{10} 2$
 $\approx 3.311 / 0.3$
 ≈ 11.036
 $\boxed{= 11}$

② $\sum_{n=1}^k 2k+1 = \sum_{n=1}^k 2k + \sum_{n=1}^k 1 = 2(1+2+\dots+k) + k = 2 \cdot \frac{k(k+1)}{2} + k = k^2 + 2k$
 $\sum_{n=1}^k i \cdot \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$

③ $n^3 > 2^n$ for $n \geq 1$
for $n=1$, $(1)^3 > 2^1 \Rightarrow 1 \neq 2$
 $\boxed{\text{false by proof by counterexample}}$

④ Assume n even, but n^2 odd
Since $2k = \text{even}$, $n = 2k$, $n^2 = (2k)^2 = 4k^2$
 $4k^2$ is not odd which contradicts our assumption that n^2 is odd,
 $\boxed{\text{proven by contradiction}}$

⑤ a) base case: $\frac{1}{2}(1)^3 = 1^2 \cdot \frac{1}{4}$
 $1 = 1 \checkmark$

Induction: Assume $\sum_{i=1}^k k^2 = k^2 \cdot \frac{(k+1)^2}{4}$
 $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} k^2 = k^2 \cdot \frac{(k+1)^2}{4} + (k+1)^2 = (k+1)^2 \cdot \frac{(k+1+1)^2}{4}$
 $\frac{k^2 \cdot (k+1)^2}{4} + \frac{(k+1)^2}{4} = \frac{k^2 + 2k + 1 \cdot k^2 + 4k + 4}{4}$
 $\frac{k^2 \cdot (k^2 + 2k + 1)}{4} + \frac{(k+1)^2}{4} = \frac{k^4 + 2k^3 + k^2 + 4k^2 + 4k + 4}{4}$
 $\frac{k^4 + 2k^3 + k^2 + 4k^2 + 4k + 4}{4} = \frac{k^4 + 4k^3 + 6k^2 + 4k + 4}{4}$

$\boxed{\text{Equal so proof by induction}}$

b) base case: $(1)^2 - 1$ is even
 0 is even \checkmark

induction: Assume $(k)^2 - k$ is even
 $\Rightarrow (k+1)^2 - (k+1) = k^2 + 2k + 1 - k - 1$
 $\Rightarrow k^2 - k$

$\boxed{k^2 - k \text{ is even so proof by induction}}$