

### Problem N1

$$12 = 3+3+3+3$$

$$13 = 3+3+7$$

$$14 = 7+7$$

$$15 = 3+3+3+3+3$$

### Problem N2

$$2+4+\dots+2k=k^2+k$$

We must prove it for  $n=k+1$ :

$$2+4+\dots+2k + 2(k+1).$$

By the inductive hypothesis, the sum up to  $2k$  is  $k^2 + k$  so

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

$$(k+1)^2+(k+1)$$

This matches the required form with  $n$  replaced by  $k+1$

Thus by induction, the formula holds for all  $n \geq 1$

### Problem N31

$$n^2+n = n(n+1)$$

since  $n$  and  $n+1$  are consecutive integers, one of them must be even. Hence their product is divisible by 2

### Problem N32

$$n = 1: 1^3 + 2(1) = 1 + 2 = 3, \text{ divisible by } 3$$

$$(k+1)^3 + 2(k+1) = (k^3 + 3k^2 + 3k + 1) + (2k+2) = (k^3 + 2k) + 3k^2 + 3k + 2k + 3 =$$

$$(k^3 + 2k) + 3(k^2+k)+3$$

By the inductive hypothesis  $k^3 + 2k$  is multiple of 3

Problem 33

$n = 0$ :  $n^5 - n = 0 - 0 = 0$  divisible by 5.

$$(k^5 - k)$$

For  $k + 1$

$$(k+1)^5 - (k+1)$$

$$(k+1)^5 = k^5 + 5k^4 + 10k^3 + 10k^2 + 5k + 1$$

$$(k+1)^5 - (k+1) = (k^5 - k) + (5k^4 + 10k^3 + 10k^2 + 5k) + (1-1)$$

First bracket is divisible by 5 by hypothesis. ; each term in the second bracket clearly has a factor of 5

Problem 34

$n^3 - n = n(n^2 - 1) = n(n-1)(n+1)$ . This is the product of three consecutive integers  $(n-1), n$  and  $(n+1)$ . Among any three consecutive integers, one is multiple of 3 and at least one is even, so the product is a multiple of  $2 \cdot 3 = 6$ .