

3. We want to show that for any integer n , the number n^2+n+1 is odd.

For all integers, we can express them in the following forms:

① $n=2k$ for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ for all even integers

② $n=2k+1$ for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ for all odd integers.

If $n=2k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\begin{aligned}n^2+n+1 &= 4k^2+2k+1 \\&= 2(2k^2+k)+1, \text{ which is an odd integer.}\end{aligned}$$

If $n=2k+1$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\begin{aligned}n^2+n+1 &= (2k+1)^2 + (2k+1) + 1 \\&= 4k^2+4k+1 + 2k+2 \\&= 2(2k^2+2k+k+2) + 1 \\&= 2(2k^2+3k+2) + 1, \text{ which is also an odd integer.}\end{aligned}$$

So for any integer n , the number n^2+n+1 is odd.