puzzle some pennies are placed on the infinite line  ${\bf Z}$ . the following moves are allowed:

- i. removing two pennies at n-1 and at n+1 for a single penny at n.
- ii. vice versa, removing a penny at n for two pennies at n-1 and at n+1.

show that from a starting state of a single penny at 0 we can reach an end state of a single penny at 6.

## possible solution to puzzle

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1 1
1 1 1
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1\quad 1\quad 1\quad 1\quad 1
                    1
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1\quad 1\quad 1\quad 1\quad 1\quad 2
                        1 1
1\quad 1\quad 1\quad 1\quad 2\quad 1\quad 1\quad 1\quad 1
          2\quad 1\quad 1\quad 1\quad 1\quad 1
       1 1 1 1 1 1 1
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       1
              1 1 1 1 1
          1
                 1 1 1 1
              1 1 1 1
                 1 1 1
                    1 1
                        1
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exercise how is the above related to the fact that  $x^2 - x + 1 \mid x^6 - 1$ ?