

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet x=2p, y=2p+1 & \quad 4(3x^2+3y^2) = 4(3(2p)^2 + 3(2p+1)^2) \\ & = 4(12p^2 + 12p^2 + 12p + 3) = 4(2(6p^2 + 6p + 3) + 1) \\ & \quad \hookrightarrow \text{not div. by } 8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\bullet x=2p+1, y=2p+1$$

(Symmetric to prev case)

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$$\bullet 6(x+y+1) = 6(2p+1+2p+1+1) = 6(2(p+p+1)+1)$$

$\hookrightarrow \text{not div. by } 8$

$$\therefore 6(2x^2+2y^2+y+1) \text{ is not div. by } 8.$$

$$\therefore (a^2b^2+4) \text{ is not a perfect cube for } \forall a, b \in \mathbb{N}$$

**Prob 42:** Prove that the number 100.....00500.....001 (100 zeros in each group) is not a perfect cube.

$$\begin{aligned} 100 \dots 00500 \dots 001 & = 1 \times 10^{202} + 5 \times 10^{101} + 1 \\ & = 10(10^{67})^3 + \frac{(10^{34})^3}{2} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$10a^3 + \frac{b^3}{2} + 1 = \frac{20a^3 + b^3 + 2}{2}$$

I will try to prove  $20a^3 + b^3 + 2$  is not div. by 16.

$$a = 2x \text{ or } 2x+1, b = 2y \text{ or } 2y+1, \text{ for some } x, y \in \mathbb{N}.$$

$$\text{Case 1: } a=2x, b=2y$$

$$\begin{aligned} 20a^3 + b^3 + 2 & = 160x^3 + 8y^3 + 2 \\ & = 2(80x^3 + 4y^3 + 1) \\ & = 2(4(20x^3 + y^3) + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$\hookrightarrow \text{not div. by } 4 \therefore 16$  also

$$\bullet a=2x, b=2y+1$$

$$\begin{aligned} 20a^3 + b^3 + 2 & = 20(2x)^3 + (2y+1)^3 + 2 = 160x^3 + 8y^3 + 12y^2 + 6y + 3 \\ & = 2(80x^3 + 4y^3 + 6y^2 + 3y + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$\hookrightarrow \text{not div. by } 2 \therefore 16 \text{ also}$

$$\bullet a=2x+1, b=2y$$

$$\begin{aligned} 20a^3 + b^3 + 2 & = 20(2x+1)^3 + (2y)^3 + 2 \\ & = 160x^3 + 240x^2 + 120x + 22 + 8y^3 \end{aligned}$$