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1) If  $p$  is a prime number and  $a$  is an integer with  $0 < a < p$ , then  $\binom{p}{a}$  is divisible by  $p$ .

Proof: Let  $p, a$  be any particular but arbitrarily chosen integers such that  $p$  is prime and  $0 < a < p$ .

[to show  $p \mid \binom{p}{a}$ ]

By definition of a prime number,  
1 and  $p$  are the only factors  
of  $p$ .

$$\binom{p}{a} = \frac{p!}{a!(p-a)!}$$

$$\binom{p}{a} = \frac{p \cdot (p-1) \cdot (p-2) \cdots (p-a+1) \cancel{(p-a)!}}{a! (p-a)!}$$

$a!$  is an integer because all integers are  
closed under factorial of integers,  
which is just repeated multiplication of  
integers, where integers are closed under  
multiplication and subtraction.

Let  $t = \binom{p}{a} = \frac{a}{b}$  where  $a = p(p-1)(p-2) \cdots (p-a+1)$   
is an integer as integers  
are closed under  
multiplication.  
for some  $t \in \mathbb{Z}^+$   
 $b = a!$  is an integer as  
proved above

since  $a = pm$   
for some integer  $m = (p-1)(p-2) \cdots (p-a+1)$   
which is an integer as  
integers are closed  
under multiplication

By def of divisibility,

$$p \mid pm,$$

$$p \mid a.$$

$$a = bt$$

since  $p \mid a$  and  $p \nmid b$   
we can conclude that  $p \mid t$

$\therefore p \mid \binom{p}{a}$  [or  $\binom{p}{a}$  is divisible by  $p$ ]

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$$2) \quad \sum_{a=1}^b \sum_{c=1}^d (a+c) = \frac{bd(b+d+2)}{2} \text{ for all } (b,d) \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

Proof: Suppose  $b, c, d$  be particular but arbitrarily chosen positive integers

Base Case: For  $(b,1)$  such that  $b \geq 1$

$$\sum_{a=1}^b \sum_{c=1}^1 (a+c) = \frac{bd(b+d+2)}{2} \quad \text{by substitution}$$

$$\sum_{a=1}^b a+1 = \frac{b(1)(b+1+2)}{2} \quad \text{by}$$

$$\sum_{a=1}^b a+1 = \frac{b(b+3)}{2} \quad \text{algebra}$$

$$(1+1) + (2+1) + (3+1) + \dots + (b+1) = \frac{b(b+3)}{2} \quad \text{by}$$

$$(1+2+3+\dots+b) + (1+1+1+\dots+1) = \frac{b(b+3)}{2} \quad \text{algebra and commutativity}$$

$$\frac{b(b+1)}{2} + b \times 1 = \frac{b(b+3)}{2} \quad \text{and associativity}$$

$$\frac{b(b+1) + 2b}{2} = \frac{b(b+3)}{2} \quad \text{using formula } 1+2+3+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \text{ for first } b \text{ numbers}$$

$$\frac{b^2 + b + 2b}{2} = \frac{b(b+3)}{2} \quad \text{using distributivity}$$

$$\frac{b^2 + 3b}{2} = \frac{b(b+3)}{2} \quad \text{using algebra}$$

$$\frac{b(b+3)}{2} = \frac{b(b+3)}{2} \quad \checkmark \quad \text{by factoring out } b.$$

Base Case is True.

Induction Hypothesis: Suppose for any integer  $b \geq 1$ .

$$\sum_{a=1}^b \sum_{c=1}^k (a+c) = \frac{bk(b+k+2)}{2} \text{ for all } (b,k) \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+$$

$$\left( \text{to show } \sum_{a=1}^b \sum_{c=1}^{k+1} (a+c) = \frac{b(k+1)(b+k+3)}{2} \text{ for all } (b,k+1) \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+ \right)$$

Proof :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{a=1}^b \sum_{c=1}^{k+1} (a+c) &= \sum_{a=1}^b \sum_{c=1}^k (a+c) + \sum_{a=1}^b (a+k+1) \quad \text{by algebra} \\
 &= \frac{bk(b+k+2)}{2} + \left( \sum_{a=1}^b a \right) + \left( \sum_{a=1}^b k+1 \right) \quad \text{, using inductive hypothesis} \\
 &= \frac{bk(b+k+2)}{2} + (1+2+3+\dots+b) + (b \times k+1) \\
 &= \frac{bk(b+k+2)}{2} + \frac{b(b+1)}{2} + bk+b \quad \text{by algebra} \\
 &= \frac{bk(b+k+2)}{2} + \frac{b(b+1)}{2} + \frac{2bk+2b}{2} \quad \text{by commutativity} \\
 &= \frac{b^2k + bk^2 + 2bk + b^2 + b + 2bk + 2b}{2} \quad \text{and} \\
 &= \frac{b^2k + bk^2 + 4bk + b^2 + 3b}{2} \quad \text{associativity} \\
 &= \frac{b(bk + k^2 + 4k + b + 3)}{2} \quad \text{by distributivity} \\
 &= \frac{b(k^2 + k + 3k + bk + b + 3)}{2} \quad \text{factoring out } b \\
 &= \frac{b(k(k+1) + 3(k+1) + b(k+1))}{2} \quad \text{and} \\
 &= \frac{b(k(k+1) + 3(k+1) + b(k+1))}{2} \quad \text{factoring out } k+1
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\sum_{a=1}^b \sum_{c=1}^{k+1} (a+c) = \frac{b(k+1)(b+k+3)}{2}$ , which was to be shown.

Hence,  $\sum_{a=1}^b \sum_{c=1}^{k+1} (a+c) = \frac{b(k+1)(b+k+3)}{2}$  for all  $(b, k+1) \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+$   
for all  $b \geq 1$

$\therefore$  By induction,

$$\sum_{a=1}^b \sum_{c=1}^d (a+c) = \frac{bd(b+d+2)}{2} \quad \text{for all } (b, d) \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i \cdot 2^i = n \cdot 2^{n+2} + 2, \text{ for every integer } n \geq 0$$

Proof by Induction:

Base Case: for  $n=0$

$$\sum_{i=1}^1 i \cdot 2^i = (0) 2^{0+2} + 2$$

$$1 \cdot 2^1 = 2$$

$$2 = 2$$

$$2 = 2 \quad \checkmark$$

Base Case is True.

Inductive Hypothesis: Suppose  $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} i \cdot 2^i = k \cdot 2^{k+2} + 2$ , for every integer  $k \geq 0$

(to show  $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1+1} i \cdot 2^i = (k+1) 2^{k+1+2} + 2$ ).

$$\text{Proof: } \sum_{i=1}^{k+2} i \cdot 2^i = \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} + (k+2) \cdot 2^{k+2} \quad \text{using inductive hypothesis}$$

$$= k \cdot 2^{k+2} + 2 + k \cdot 2^{k+2} + 2^{k+3}$$

$$= 2k \cdot 2^{k+2} + 2^{k+3} + 2$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+2} i \cdot 2^i = k \cdot 2^{k+3} + 2^{k+3} + 2$$

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

$$\sum_{i=1}^{(k+1)+1} i \cdot 2^i = (k+1) 2^{(k+1)+2} + 2, \text{ for every integer } k \geq 0$$

Hence, this is what we had to prove,  
and

by induction,

$$\therefore \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i \cdot 2^i = n \cdot 2^{n+2} + 2, \text{ for every integer } n \geq 0$$

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$$\prod_{i=2}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{i}\right) = \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{for every integer } n \geq 2.$$

Proof by Induction: Suppose  $n$  is any particular but arbitrarily chosen such that  $n \geq 2$

Base Step: For  $n=2$

$$\prod_{i=2}^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{i}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

Base Case is True.

Inductive Hypothesis: Suppose  $\prod_{i=2}^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{i}\right) = \frac{1}{k}$  for every integer  $k \geq 2$ .

[to show  $\prod_{i=2}^{k+1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{i}\right) = \frac{1}{k+1}$  for every integer  $k \geq 2$ .]

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{i=2}^{k+1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{i}\right) &= \prod_{i=2}^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{i}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{k+1}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{k} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{k+1}\right), \text{ using Inductive Hypothesis} \\ &= \frac{1}{k} \cdot \left(\frac{k+1-1}{k+1}\right) \quad \text{By Algebra} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{k} \cdot \frac{k}{k+1}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\prod_{i=2}^{k+1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{i}\right) = \frac{1}{k+1}, \quad \text{for every } k \geq 2$$

$$\therefore \prod_{i=2}^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{i}\right) = \frac{1}{n} \quad \text{for every integer } n \geq 2.$$

by induction.

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If  $p$  is any prime number with  $p \geq 5$ , then the sum of the squares of any  $p$  consecutive integers is divisible by  $p$ .

Proof:

Suppose  $n, p$  are any particular but arbitrarily chosen integers such that  $p \geq 5$ .

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 + (n+1)^2 + (n+2)^2 + \dots + (n+(p-1))^2 \\ = pn^2 + 2n(1+2+3+\dots+(p-1)) \\ + (1^2 + 4^2 + 9^2 + \dots + (p-1)^2) \\ = pn^2 + 2n \frac{p(p+1)}{2} + (1^2 + 4^2 + 9^2 + \dots + p^2) \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,  $p \mid pn^2$  &  $p \mid p \left( \frac{n(p+1)}{2} \right)$

because  $pn^2$  &  $p \left( \frac{n(p+1)}{2} \right)$  both can be represented as  $pm$ , where  $m$  is some integer by def. of divisibility

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Here } 1+2+3+4+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \\ \bullet 1^2+2^2+3^2+4^2+\dots+n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\text{Let } S = 1^2 + 4^2 + 9^2 + \dots + p^2$$

$$S = \frac{p(p+1)(2p+1)}{6}$$

$$6S = p(p+1)(2p+1)$$

Now,  $p \mid p(p+1)(2p+1)$  By transitivity &

$\therefore p \mid 6S$  substitution.

$\Rightarrow p \mid S$  by def. of divisibility.

Hence,  $p$  also divides the third term.

$\therefore p \mid$  All three terms above.

$\therefore$  If  $p$  is any prime number with  $p \geq 5$ , then the sum of the squares of any  $p$  consecutive integers is divisible by  $p$ .

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(a)

$$\begin{aligned}5 &= 5 \cdot 1 + 8 \cdot 0 = 5 \\8 &= 5 \cdot 0 + 8 \cdot 1 = 8 \\10 &= 5 \cdot 2 + 8 \cdot 0 = 10 \\13 &= 5 \cdot 1 + 8 \cdot 1 = 13 \\15 &= 5 \cdot 3 + 8 \cdot 0 = 15 \\16 &= 5 \cdot 0 + 8 \cdot 2 = 16 \\20 &= 5 \cdot 4 + 8 \cdot 0 = 20 \\21 &= 5 \cdot 1 + 8 \cdot 2 = 21 \\24 &= 5 \cdot 0 + 8 \cdot 3 = 24 \\25 &= 5 \cdot 5 + 8 \cdot 0 = 25\end{aligned}$$

(b) Any qty. of at least 28 stamps  
can be obtained by buying a collection  
of 5-stamp packages and 8-stamp packages.

Let  $P(n)$  = For any qty.  $n \geq 28$  stamps,  
 $n = 5m + 8n$  stamps,  
where  $m, n$  are some integers.

Base Case:  $n = 28$

$$\begin{aligned}28 &= 5(4) + 8(1) \\28 &= 20 + 8 \\28 &= 28 \quad \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

Base Case is TRUE.

Inductive Hypothesis: Suppose  $P(k)$  = For any qty.  $k \geq 28$   
stamps,  $k = 5a + 8b$  stamps be true,  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+ - \{0\}$

To prove  $P(k+1)$  = For any qty.  $k \geq 28$  stamps,  $k+1$  stamps can be  
made with 5 & 8 stamps is True.

Case ① Suppose  $0 \leq b < 3$ ,

since  $k \geq 28$ ,

$$a \geq 3$$

Define  $y = b+2$  &  $x = a-3$

$$\begin{aligned} 5x + 8y &= 5(a-3) + 8(b+2) \\ &= 5a - 15 + 8b + 16 \\ &= 5a + 8b + 1 = k+1 \end{aligned}$$

using induc. hypothesis

Case ②

Suppose  $b \geq 3$ , since  $k \geq 28$ ,  $a \geq 1$

Define  $x = a+5$ ,  $y = b-3$

$$\begin{aligned} 5x + 8y &= 5(a+5) + 8(b-3) \\ &= 5a + 25 + 8b - 24 \\ &= 5a + 8b + 1 = k+1 \end{aligned}$$

using induc. hypothesis

$\therefore$  By induction, for any qty. of stamps  $\geq 28$ ,  
you can use 3-stamp packages & 8-stamp  
packages to obtain that qty

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#12 For any integer,  $n \geq 0$ ,  $7^n - 2^n$  is divisible by 5.

let  $P(n)$  = For any integer,  $n \geq 0$ ,  $5 \mid 7^n - 2^n$

Base Case:  $n=0$ ,  $7^0 - 2^0 = 5p$ , for some integer  $p$ , by def of divisibility  
 $1 - 1 = 5p$   
 $0 = 5p$   
 $0 = 5(0)$ , by zero product property

Inductive Hypothesis: Suppose, for any integer,  $k \geq 0$ ,  $7^k - 2^k = 5p$ ,  
for some integer  $p$   
by def of divisibility

$$\begin{aligned} 7^{k+1} - 2^{k+1} &= 7^k \cdot 7 - 2^k \cdot 2 \\ &= 7^k (5+2) - 2^k \cdot 2 \\ &= 7^k \cdot 5 + 7^k \cdot 2 - 2^k \cdot 2 && \text{by distributivity} \\ &= 7^k \cdot 5 + 2(7^k - 2^k) && \text{by factoring out 2} \\ &= 7^k \cdot 5 + 2(5p) && \text{using Induc. hypothesis} \\ &= 7^k \cdot 5 + 5(2p) && \text{by associativity} \\ &= 5(7^k + 2p) \\ 7^{k+1} - 2^{k+1} &= 5m && \text{for } m = 7^k + 2p, \text{ where } m \text{ is some integer} \end{aligned}$$

by def of divisibility

$$5 \mid 7^{k+1} - 2^{k+1}$$

$\therefore P(k+1)$  is True.

$\therefore$  By induction, for any integer  $n \geq 0$ ,  $7^n - 2^n$  is divisible by 5.

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$$\#21 \quad \sqrt{n} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}, \text{ for every integer } n \geq 2$$

$$\text{For every integer } n \geq 2, \quad \sqrt{n} < \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}}$$

Base Case:  $n=2$

$$\sqrt{2} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\sqrt{2} < \frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$2 < \sqrt{2}+1$$

$$2 < (1.414\dots)+1$$

$$2 < 2.414 \quad \checkmark$$

Base Case is TRUE.

Inductive Hypothesis: Suppose for every integer  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$\sqrt{k} < \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}}.$$

to show for every integer  $k \geq 2$ ,  $\sqrt{k+1} < \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}}$

From inductive hypothesis,

$$\sqrt{k} < \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}}$$

$$\sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}} < \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}}, \quad \text{add } \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}} \text{ to both sides}$$

$$\frac{(\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k+1}) + 1}{\sqrt{k+1}} < \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{k+1} \times \sqrt{k+1}}{\sqrt{k+1}} < \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}}, \quad \text{since } \frac{\sqrt{k+1} \times \sqrt{k+1}}{\sqrt{k+1}} \leq \frac{\sqrt{k^2+k} + 1}{\sqrt{k+1}}$$

$$\sqrt{k+1} < \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}} \quad \text{when } k+1 \leq \sqrt{k^2+k} + 1$$

$\therefore$  by induction,  $\sqrt{n+1} < \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{i}}$ , for any integer  $n \geq 2$

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#27  $d_1 = 2$ ,  $d_k = \frac{d_{k-1}}{k}$  for each integer  $k \geq 2$ .

To prove: For every  $n \geq 1$ ,  $d_n = \frac{2}{n!}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

Base Cases:  $k = 2$

$$d_2 = \frac{d_1}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$$n = 2, \quad d_2 = \frac{2}{2!} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$$d_2 = d_2 \quad \checkmark$$

$k = 1$

$$d_1 = \frac{d_1}{1} = \frac{2}{1} = 2$$

$$n = 1, \quad d_1 = \frac{2}{1!} = \frac{2}{1} = 2$$

$$d_1 = d_1 \quad \checkmark$$

Base Cases are TRUE.

Inductive Hypothesis: Suppose any integer  $m \geq 2$ ,  $d_m = \frac{2}{m!}$ .

to show  $d_{m+1} = \frac{2}{(m+1)!}$

$$d_{m+1} = \frac{d_{m+1-1}}{m+1} \quad \text{by recursive definition}$$

$$d_{m+1} = \frac{d_m}{m+1}$$

$$d_{m+1} = \frac{2}{m!(m+1)} \quad \text{by inductive hypothesis}$$

$$d_{m+1} = \frac{2}{(m+1)!}$$

$\therefore$  by induction,

for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $d_n = \frac{2}{n!}$  for the sequence given.

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#28 For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2n-1)}{(2n+1) + (2n+3) + \dots + (2n + (2n-1))}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1)}{\sum_{i=1}^n 2n + (2i-1)}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1)}{2n(n) + \sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1)}$$

$$\Phi \quad 2n^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1) = 3 \sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1)$$

$$\cancel{2n^2} \quad 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1) = 2n^2$$

$$\text{Let } P(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1) = n^2$$

Base Case:  $n=1$ 

$$P(1) = \sum_{i=1}^1 (2i-1) = (1)^2$$

$$= 2(1) - 1 = (1)^2$$

$$= 2 - 1 = 1$$

$$1 = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

Base Case is TRUE.

Inductive Hypothesis: Suppose  $P(k)$  is True,

$$P(k) = \sum_{i=1}^k (2i-1) = k^2$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (2i-1) = \sum_{i=1}^k (2i-1) + (2(k+1)-1)$$

$$= k^2 + 2k + 2 - 1, \text{ using induction hypothesis}$$

$$= k^2 + 2k + 1$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (2i-1) = (k+1)^2$$

$\therefore$  By induction, for every  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

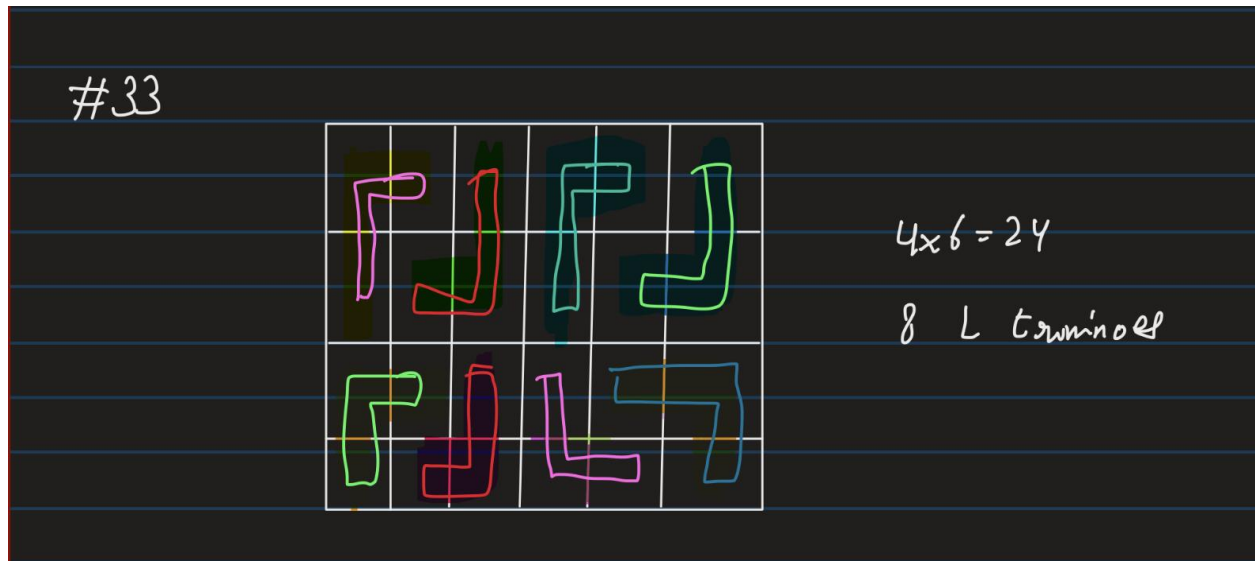
$$\sum_{i=1}^n (2i-1) = n^2$$

or,

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1+3+5+\dots+(2n-1)}{(2n+1)+(2n+3)+\dots+(2n+(2n-1))}$$

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The inductive step fails for going from  $n=1$  to  $n=2$ , because when  $k=1$ ,

$A = \{a_1, a_2\}$  and  $B = \{a_1\}$

and no set  $C$  can be defined to have the properties claimed for the  $C$  in the proof. The reason is that  $C = \{a_1\} = B$ , and so an element of  $A$ , namely  $a_2$ , is not in either  $B$  or  $C$ .

Since the inductive step fails for going from  $n=1$  to  $n=2$ , the truth of the following statement is never proved: "All the numbers in a set of two numbers are equal to each other." This breaks the sequence of inductive steps, and so none of the statements for  $n > 2$  is proved true either.

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The basis step is False.

$3^1 - 2 = 3 - 2 = 1$ , and 1 is not divisible by 2, since by def. of divisibility,

$1 = 2p$ , for some integer  $p$

$p = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$  which is not an integer

Hence, 1 is not divisible by 2 and 1 is not even.

Base Case is False

The statement is False.