

### Solutions to Applications of Algebra and Calculus 1.3

1.

$$\sum_{r=1}^{20} 3r = 3 \sum_{r=1}^{20} r = 3 \times \frac{20}{2}(20 + 1) = 630$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{15} (4r - 3) = 4 \sum_{r=1}^{15} r - \sum_{r=1}^{15} 3 = 4 \times \frac{15}{2}(15 + 1) - 3 \times 15 = 435$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=5}^{15} (2r + 1) &= \sum_{r=1}^{15} (2r + 1) - \sum_{r=1}^4 (2r + 1) \\ &= \left( 2 \times \frac{15}{2}(15 + 1) + 15 \right) - \left( 2 \times \frac{4}{2}(4 + 1) + 4 \right) = 231 \end{aligned}$$

2.  $2 \times 1 - 1 = 1$

$$1^2 = 1 \text{ so true for } n = 1.$$

Assume true for  $n = k$ , *i.e.*

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

Consider  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=1}^{k+1} (2r - 1) &= \sum_{r=1}^k (2r - 1) + 2(k + 1) - 1 \\ &= k^2 + 2(k + 1) - 1 \\ &= k^2 + 2k + 2 - 1 \\ &= k^2 + 2k + 1 \\ &= (k + 1)^2 \end{aligned}$$

True for  $n = k + 1$ .

The formula is true for  $n = 1$  and if true for  $n = k$ , then true for  $n = k + 1$ . Hence by induction, the formula is true  $\forall n \in \mathbf{N}$ .

(Note the underlined wording. This is essential to achieve full marks!)

3.  $3 \times 1 - 1 = 2$

$$\frac{1(3 \times 1 + 1)}{2} = 2 \text{ so true for } n = 1.$$

Assume true for  $n = k$ , *i.e.*

$$\sum_{r=1}^k (3r - 1) = \frac{k(3k + 1)}{2}$$

Consider  $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=1}^{k+1} (3r - 1) &= \sum_{r=1}^k (3r - 1) + 3(k + 1) - 1 \\ &= \frac{k(3k + 1)}{2} + 3(k + 1) - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{k(3k+1)}{2} + 3k + 2 \\
&= \frac{3k^2+k}{2} + \frac{6k+4}{2} \\
&= \frac{3k^2+7k+4}{2} \\
&= \frac{(3k+4)(k+1)}{2} \\
&= \frac{(k+1)(3(k+1)+1)}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

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