

16. Prove that

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^2}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right) = \frac{n+1}{2n},$$

for all integers $n \geq 2$.

When $n=2$ LHS = $1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$ RHS = $\frac{3}{4}$ ✓

Assume IH $\left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^2}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right) = \frac{n+1}{2n}$

We must prove $\left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^2}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}\right) = \frac{n+2}{2n+2}$ *

LHS of * = $\frac{n+1}{2n} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}\right) = \frac{n+1}{2n} \left(\frac{n^2+2n+1-1}{(n+1)^2}\right) = \frac{(n+1)(n^2+2n)}{2n(n+1)^2}$

↑
use IH
here

= $\frac{n(n+2)}{2n(n+1)} = \frac{n+2}{2(n+1)}$ which equals the right side of *.

17. True or False. If true, **prove** it. If false, then give a **counterexample**. If an integer is a perfect square, then its cube root is irrational.

False 64 is a perfect square and $\sqrt[3]{64} = 4$ which is rational.

18. True or False. If true, **prove** it. If false, then give a **counterexample**. The difference of any two irrational numbers is irrational.

False $\sqrt{2}$ and $\sqrt{2}$ are both irrational but $\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{2} = 0$ which is rational.

19. Find integers q and r so that $56 = 5q + r$ with $0 \leq r < 5$.

$$56 = 5 \cdot 11 + 1$$

$$\begin{matrix} q = 11 \\ r = 1 \end{matrix}$$