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ASSIGNMENT → 1

1. Find the gcd of the numbers i) $2n + 13$ & $n + 7$
ii) $n^3 + 2n$ & $n^4 + 3n^2 + 1$

2. Consider the following series of number—

1

2 3

4 5 6

7 8 9 10

11 12 13 14 15

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Find the sum of the n^{th} row. (Ans will be in terms of n)

3. If 72 is a number that divides $a679b$ written in decimal, what are the digits a & b .
4. Suppose m, n are integers and $m = n^2 - n$. Then show that $m^2 - 2m$ is divisible by 24

5. Consider three positive real numbers a , b and c . Show that there cannot exist two distinct positive integers m & n such that both $a^m + b^m = c^m$ & $a^n + b^n = c^n$ holds.

6. p, q are two distinct primes,

prove that $p^{q-1} + q^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{pq}$

7. p is an odd prime,

prove that $1^p + 2^p + 3^p + \dots + (p-1)^p \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$

8. What are the last two digits of the number $7^{100} - 3^{100}$?

9. If p & q are real, prove that any real root α of $x^3 + px + q = 0$ satisfies

$$p^2 - 4\alpha q \geq 0$$

10. Prove that if $n > 4$, then the number $1! + 2! + 3! + \dots + n!$ is not a perfect square.