

6. (a) Prove by induction that for all positive integers n ,

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1)$$

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(b) Use the standard results for $\sum_{r=1}^n r^3$ and $\sum_{r=1}^n r$ to show that for all positive integers n ,

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r(r+6)(r-6) = \frac{1}{4}n(n+1)(n-8)(n+9)$$

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(c) Hence find the value of n that satisfies

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r(r+6)(r-6) = 17 \sum_{r=1}^n r^2$$

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