

2. (a) Use the standard results for summations to show that for all positive integers n

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r(r-1)^2 \equiv \frac{1}{12} n(n+1)(n-1)(an+b)$$

where a and b are integers to be determined.

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(b) Hence determine the value of n that satisfies

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r(r-1)^2 = \sum_{r=1}^n 5r$$

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