

Show all work needed to reach your answers.

High: 20
Median: 15
Low: 6

1. (10 points) Please show that

$$\sum_{j=1}^n j^3 = \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^2$$

Pf (Induction):

2 • Base Case: For $n=1$, $\sum_{j=1}^1 j^3 = 1 = \left(\frac{1(2)}{2} \right)^2$ ✓

1 • Assume that the formula holds for $n=k$: $\sum_{j=1}^k j^3 = \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right)^2$

and show that the formula holds for $n=k+1$: 1

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} j^3 &= \sum_{j=1}^k j^3 + (k+1)^3 \stackrel{1}{=} \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right)^2 + (k+1)^3 \stackrel{2}{=} \frac{(k+1)^2}{4} [k^2 + 4(k+1)] \\ &= \frac{(k+1)^2}{4} (k^2 + 4k + 4) \stackrel{1}{=} \frac{(k+1)^2 (k+2)^2}{4} \stackrel{1}{=} \left(\frac{(k+1)(k+1+1)}{2} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^2 \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Thus both steps in the inductive axiom are satisfied, hence the formula holds $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

2. (10 points) Given that A and B are sets, let $A \cap B$ (A intersect B) be the subset of A consisting of those elements of A which are also in B . Using one or more of the axioms, please show that $A \cap B$ exists.

Let $Q(x) := "x \in B"$. Then by Axiom III,

$$A \cap B = \{x \in A \mid Q(x) \text{ is true}\}$$

must exist.