

1. Let $P = 1!2!3!\dots n!$ and let $S = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n$, where n is a positive integer.

(a) Prove that if n is odd, then S divides P exactly.

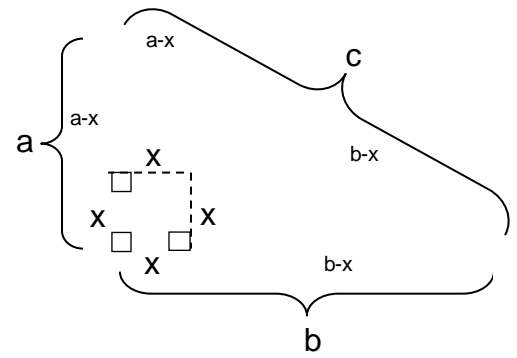
(b) Prove that the converse of part (a) is true.

2. Let $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{7}$

1. (a) If n is odd, then $n = 2k + 1$ where k is a positive integer. Then

$$\frac{P}{S} = \frac{1!2!3!\dots(2k+1)!}{1+2+3+\dots+(2k+1)} = \frac{(2k+1)!}{\frac{1}{2}(2k+1)(2k+2)} = \frac{(2k+1)!}{(2k+1)(k+1)}$$

For every odd integer k , $ak^2 + bk$ is the sum of two odd integers, and therefore $ak^2 + bk$ is an even integer. $S(k) = ak^2 + bk + c$



Next consider either of the remaining two circles

