

Q3

The statement is TRUE.

Proof:

Any odd number can be expressed as follows:

$$a \in \mathbb{Z}, (2a+1)$$

So we can express the statement to prove as:

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z} \exists a \in \mathbb{Z} (n^2 + n + 1 = 2a + 1)$$

and by subtracting 1 to both sides, we have the equivalent statement (1):

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z} \exists a \in \mathbb{Z} (n^2 + n = 2a)$$

n can be even or odd:

If n is even, there exists an integer m such that $n = 2m$

Replacing in $n^2 + n$:

$$\begin{aligned} &= (2m)^2 + 2m \\ &= 4m^2 + 2m \\ &= 2(2m^2 + m) \end{aligned}$$

And by the definition of an even number, the result is even.

If n is odd, there exists an integer s such that $n = 2s + 1$

Replacing in $n^2 + n$:

$$\begin{aligned} &= (2s+1)^2 + 2s+1 \\ &= 4s^2 + 4s + 1 + 2s + 1 \\ &= 2(2s^2 + 3s + 1) \quad [\text{By algebra}] \end{aligned}$$

And by the definition of an even number, the result is even.

So for any n , (1) is TRUE. Hence, we proved that the statement is TRUE.