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Hence

$$p(n) \equiv \sum_{\substack{i \frac{(3i-1)}{2} + j \frac{(j+1)}{2} + 5k = n \\ j \geq 0 \text{ and } k \geq 0}} (-1)^{i+j} (2j+1) p(k) \pmod{5}$$

$$(*) \quad p(5n+4) \equiv \sum_{\substack{i \frac{(3i-1)}{2} + j \frac{(j+1)}{2} + 5k = 5n+4 \\ j \geq 0 \text{ \& } k \geq 0}} (-1)^{i+j} (2j+1) p(k) \pmod{5}$$

Suppose $\frac{i(3i-1)}{2} + \frac{j(j+1)}{2} + 5k = 5n+4$ where $j \geq 0$ & $k \geq 0$.
Then

$$\frac{i(3i-1)}{2} + \frac{j(j+1)}{2} \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$$

$$3i^2 - i + j^2 + j \equiv 8 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$3(i^2 - 2i) + j^2 - 4j \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$3(i^2 - 2i + 1 - 1) + (j^2 - 4j + 4 - 4) \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$3((i-1)^2 - 1) + (j-2)^2 - 4 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$3(i-1)^2 + (j-2)^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$$

$$(i-1)^2 \equiv 0^2, (\pm 1)^2, (\pm 2)^2 \equiv 0, 1, 4 \pmod{5}$$

$$(j-2)^2 \equiv 0, 1, 4 \pmod{5}$$

$$3(i-1)^2 \equiv 0, 3, 2 \pmod{5}$$

$$(j-2)^2 \equiv 0, 1, 4 \pmod{5}$$

$$3(i-1)^2 + (j-2)^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$$

$$\text{iff } 3(i-1)^2 \equiv 0 \text{ \& } (j-2)^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$$

$$\text{i.e. } i \equiv 1 \text{ \& } j \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

Hence $(2j+1) \equiv 4+1 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ & by (*)

$$p(5n+4) \equiv 0 \pmod{5}. \quad \square$$