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Ouestion 1:

Prove that following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

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

Solution 1:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n):1+3+3^2+....+3^{n-1}=\frac{\left(3^n-1\right)}{2}$$

For n=1, we have

$$P(1) := \frac{(3^1 - 1)}{2} = \frac{3 - 1}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$1+3+3^2+....+3^{k-1}=\frac{\left(3^k-1\right)}{2}$$
(i)

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

Consider

$$1+3+3^{2}+....+3^{k-1}+3^{(k+1)-1}$$

$$=(1+3+3^{2}+....+3^{k-1})+3^{k}$$

$$=\frac{(3^{k}-1)}{2}+3^{k} \qquad [Using(i)]$$

$$=\frac{(3^{k}-1)+2.3^{k}}{2}$$

$$=\frac{(1+2)3^{k}-1}{2}$$

$$=\frac{3.3^{k}-1}{2}$$

$$=\frac{3^{k+1}-1}{2}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 2:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

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

Solution 2:



Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n):1^3+2^3+3^3+\ldots+n^3=\left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right)^2$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1):1^3=1=\left(\frac{1(1+1)^2}{2}\right)=\left(\frac{1.2}{2}\right)^2=1^2=1$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 = \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{2}\right)^2$$
(i)

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

Consider

Consider
$$1^{3} + 2^{3} + 3^{3} + \dots + k^{3} + (k+1)^{3}$$

$$= (1^{3} + 2^{3} + 3^{3} + \dots + k^{3}) + (k+1)^{3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{2}\right)^{2} + (k+1)^{3}$$

$$= \frac{k^{2}(k+1)^{2}}{4} + (k+1)^{3}$$

$$= \frac{k^{2}(k+1)^{2} + 4(k+1)^{3}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)^{2} \{k^{2} + 4(k+1)\}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)^{2} \{k^{2} + 4k + 4\}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)^{2} (k+2)^{2}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)^{2} (k+1+1)^{2}}{4}$$

$$= \left(\frac{(k+1)(k+1+1)}{2}\right)^{2}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 3:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:



$$1 + \frac{1}{(1+2)} + \frac{1}{(1+2+3)} + \dots + \frac{1}{(1+2+3+\dots n)} = \frac{2n}{(n+1)}$$

Solution 3:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n):1+\frac{1}{1+2}+\frac{1}{1+2+3}+\dots+\frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots n}=\frac{2n}{n+1}$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1):1=\frac{2.1}{1+1}=\frac{2}{2}=1$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$1 + \frac{1}{1+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{1+2+3} + \dots + \frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots+k} = \frac{2k}{k+1} \dots (i)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

Consider

$$1 + \frac{1}{1+2} + \frac{1}{1+2+3} + \dots + \frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots+k} + \frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots+k+(k+1)}$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{1}{1+2} + \frac{1}{1+2+3} + \dots + \frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots+k}\right) + \frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots+k+(k+1)}$$

$$= \frac{2k}{k+1} + \frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots+k+(k+1)} \qquad [Using (i)]$$

$$= \frac{2k}{k+1} + \frac{1}{\left(\frac{(k+1)(k+1+1)}{2}\right)} \qquad \left[1 + 2 + 3 \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]$$

$$= \frac{2k}{(k+1)} + \frac{2}{(k+1)(k+2)}$$

$$= \frac{2}{(k+1)} \left(k + \frac{1}{k+2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{(k+1)} \left(\frac{k^2 + 2k + 1}{k+2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{(k+1)} \left(\frac{(k+1)^2}{k+2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2(k+1)}{(k+2)}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.



Question 4:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$1.2.3 + 2.3.4 + \dots + n(n+1)(n+2) = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)}{4}$$

Solution 4:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n):1.2.3+2.3.4+....+n(n+1)(n+2)=\frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)}{4}$$

For n=1, we have

$$P(1):1.2.3 = 6 = \frac{1(1+1)(1+2)(1+3)}{4} = \frac{1.2.3.4}{4} = 6$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$1.2.3 + 2.3.4 + \dots + k(k+1)(k+2) = \frac{k(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)}{4} \dots (i)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

Consider

$$1.2.3 + 2.3.4 + \dots + k(k+1)(k+2) + (k+1)(k+2)(k+3)$$

$$= \{1.2.3 + 2.3.4 + \dots + k(k+1)(k+2)\} + (k+1)(k+2) + (k+3)$$

$$= \frac{k(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)}{4} + (k+1)(k+2)(k+3) \qquad [Using(i)]$$

$$= (k+1)(k+2)(k+3)\left(\frac{k}{4}+1\right)$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)(k+4)}{4}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)(k+1+1)(k+1+2)(k+1+3)}{4}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 5:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$1.3 + 2.3^{2} + 3.3^{3} + \dots + n.3^{n} = \frac{(2n-1)3^{n+1} + 3}{4}$$

Solution 5:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,



$$P(n):1.3+2.3^2+3.3^3+....+n3^n=\frac{(2n-1)3^{n+1}+3}{4}$$

For n=1, we have

$$P(1):1.3=3=\frac{(2.1-1)3^{1+1}+3}{4}=\frac{3^2+3}{4}=\frac{12}{4}=3$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$1.3 + 2.3^{2} + 3.3^{3} + \dots + k3^{k} = \frac{(2k-1)3^{k+1} + 3}{4} \dots (i)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

Consider

$$1.3 + 2.3^{2} + 3.3^{3} + \dots + k.3^{k} + (k+1).3^{k+1}$$

$$= (1.3 + 2.3^{2} + 3.3^{3} + \dots + k.3^{k}) + (k+1).3^{k+1}$$

$$= \frac{(2k-1)3^{k+1} + 3}{4} + (k+1)3^{k-1} \qquad [Using(i)]$$

$$= \frac{(2k-1)3^{k+1} + 3 + 4(k+1)3^{k+1}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3^{k+1} \{2k-1+4(k+1)\} + 3}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3^{k+1} \{6k+3\} + 3}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3^{k+1} \{6k+3\} + 3}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3^{(k+1)+1} \{2k+1\} + 3}{4}$$

$$= \frac{\{2(k+1)-1\}3^{(k+1)+1} + 3}{4}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 6:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$1.2 + 2.3 + 3.4 + \dots + n.(n+1) = \left\lceil \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3} \right\rceil$$

Solution 6:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,



$$P(n): 1.2+2.3+3.4+....+n.(n+1) = \left\lceil \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3} \right\rceil$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1):1.2=2=\frac{1(1+1)(1+2)}{3}=\frac{1.2.3}{3}=2$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$1.2 + 2.3 + 3.4 + \dots + k.(k+1) = \frac{k(k+1)(k+2)}{3} \dots (i)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

Consider

$$1.2 + 2.3 + 3.4 + \dots + k.(k+1) + (k+1).(k+2)$$

$$= \left[1.2 + 2.3 + 3.4 + \dots + k.(k+1)\right] + (k+1).(k+2)$$

$$= \frac{k(k+1)(k+2)}{3} + (k+1)(k+2) \qquad \left[\text{Using}(i)\right]$$

$$= (k+1)(k+2)\left(\frac{k}{3}+1\right)$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)(k+1)(k+1+2)}{3}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 7:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$1.3+3.5+5.7+....+(2n-1)(2n+1)=\frac{n(4n^2+6n-1)}{3}$$

Solution 7:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n):1.3+3.5+5.7+....+(2n-1)(2n+1)=\frac{n(4n^2+6n-1)}{3}$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1):1.3=3=\frac{1(4.1^2+6.1-1)}{3}=\frac{4+6-1}{3}=\frac{9}{3}=3$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,



$$1.3+3.5+5.7+....+(2k-1)(2k+1)=\frac{k(4k^2+6k-1)}{3}.....(i)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

Consider

$$(1.3+3.5+5.7+.....+(2k-1)(2k+1))+\{(k+1)-1\}\{2(k+1)+1\}$$

$$=\frac{k(4k^2+6k-1)}{3}+(2k+2-1)(2k+2+1) \quad \text{[Using (i)]}$$

$$=\frac{k(4k^2+6k-1)}{3}+(2k+1)(2k+3)$$

$$=\frac{k(4k^2+6k-1)}{3}+(4k^2+8k+3)$$

$$=\frac{k(4k^2+6k-1)+3(4k^2+8k+3)}{3}$$

$$=\frac{4k^3+6k^2-k+12k^2+24k+9}{3}$$

$$=\frac{4k^3+18k^2+23k+9}{3}$$

$$=\frac{4k^3+14k^2+9k+4k^2+14k+9}{3}$$

$$=\frac{k(4k^2+14k+9)+1(4k^2+14k+9)}{3}$$

$$=\frac{(k+1)(4k^2+14k+9)}{3}$$

$$=\frac{(k+1)\{4(k^2+2k+1)+6(k+1)-1\}}{3}$$

$$=\frac{(k+1)\{4(k^2+2k+1)+6(k+1)-1\}}{3}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Ouestion 8:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$: $1.2 + 2.2^2 + 3.2^2 + ... + n.2^n = (n-1)2^{n+1} + 2$

Solution 8:



Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n):1.2+2.2^2+3.2^2+....+n.2^n=(n-1)2^{n+1}+2$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1):1.2=2=(1-1)2^{1+1}+2=0+2=2$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$1.2 + 2.2^2 + 3.2^2 + \dots + k.2^k = (k-1)2^{k+1} + 2\dots(i)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

Consider

$$\begin{cases}
1.2 + 2.2^{2} + 3.2^{2} + \dots + k.2^{k} + (k+1).2^{k+1} \\
= (k-1)2^{k+1} + 2 + (k+1)2^{k+1} \\
= 2^{k+1} \left\{ (k-1) + (k+1) \right\} + 2 \\
= 2^{k+1}.2k + 2 \\
= k.2^{(k+1)+1} + 2
\end{cases}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 9:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$

 $=\{(k+1)-1\}2^{(k+1)+1}+2$

Solution 9:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$

For n=1, we have

$$P(1): \frac{1}{2} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^1} = \frac{1}{2}$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^k} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^k} \dots (i)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{k}}\right) + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$$

$$= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^{k}}\right) + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \qquad \left[\text{Using}(i)\right]$$



$$1 - \frac{1}{2^{k}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2^{k}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 10:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$\frac{1}{2.5} + \frac{1}{5.8} + \frac{1}{8.11} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-1)(3n+2)} = \frac{n}{(6n+4)}$$

Solution 10:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): \frac{1}{2.5} + \frac{1}{5.8} + \frac{1}{8.11} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-1)(3n+2)} = \frac{n}{(6n+4)}$$

For n=1, we have

$$P(1) = \frac{1}{2.5} = \frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{6.1 + 4} = \frac{1}{10}$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$\frac{1}{2.5} + \frac{1}{5.8} + \frac{1}{8.11} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3k+1)(3k+2)} = \frac{k}{6k+4} \dots (i)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

$$\frac{1}{2.5} + \frac{1}{5.8} + \frac{1}{8.11} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3k+1)(3k+2)} + \frac{1}{\{3(k+1)-1\}\{3(k+1)+2\}}$$

$$= \frac{k}{6k+4} + \frac{1}{(3k+3-1)(3k+3+2)} \qquad [Using(i)]$$

$$= \frac{k}{6k+4} + \frac{1}{(3k+2)(3k+5)}$$

$$= \frac{k}{2(3k+2)} + \frac{1}{(3k+2)(3k+5)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(3k+2)} \left(\frac{k}{2} + \frac{1}{3k+5}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(3k+2)} \left(\frac{k(3k+5)+2}{2(3k+5)}\right)$$



$$= \frac{1}{(3k+2)} \left(\frac{3k^2 + 5k + 2}{2(3k+5)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(3k+2)} \left(\frac{(3k+2)(k+1)}{2(3k+5)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)}{6k+10}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)}{6(k+1)+4}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e, N.

Question 11:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$\frac{1}{1.2.3} + \frac{1}{2.3.4} + \frac{1}{3.4.5} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)(n+2)} = \frac{n(n+3)}{4(n+1)(n+2)}$$

Solution 11:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): \frac{1}{1.2.3} + \frac{1}{2.3.4} + \frac{1}{3.4.5} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)(n+2)} = \frac{n(n+3)}{4(n+1)(n+2)}$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1): \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} = \frac{1 \cdot (1+3)}{4(1+1)(1+2)} = \frac{1 \cdot 4}{4 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3}$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$\frac{1}{1.2.3} + \frac{1}{2.3.4} + \frac{1}{3.4.5} + \dots + \frac{1}{k(k+1)(k+2)} = \frac{k(k+3)}{4(k+1)(k+2)} \quad \dots \quad (i)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

$$\left[\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} + \dots + \frac{1}{k(k+1)(k+2)}\right] + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)}$$

$$= \frac{k(k+3)}{4(k+1)(k+2)} + \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)}$$
[Using (i)]
$$= \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \left\{ \frac{k(k+3)}{4} + \frac{1}{k+3} \right\}$$



$$= \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \left\{ \frac{k(k+3)^2 + 4}{4(k+3)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \left\{ \frac{k(k^2 + 6k + 9) + 4}{4(k+3)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \left\{ \frac{k^3 + 6k^2 + 9k + 4}{4(k+3)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \left\{ \frac{k^3 + 2k^2 + k + 4k^2 + 8k + 4}{4(k+3)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \left\{ \frac{k(k^2 + 2k + 1) + 4(k^2 + 2k + 1)}{4(k+3)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} \left\{ \frac{k(k+1)^2 + 4(k+1)^2}{4(k+3)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)^2 (k+4)}{4(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)\{(k+1) + 3\}}{4\{(k+1) + 1\}\{(k+1) + 2\}}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 12:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$a + ar + ar^{2} + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \frac{a(r^{n} - 1)}{r - 1}$$

Solution 12:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): a + ar + ar^{2} + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \frac{a(r^{n} - 1)}{r - 1}$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1): a = \frac{a(r^1 - 1)}{(r - 1)} = a$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$a + ar + ar^{2} + \dots + ar^{k-1} = \frac{a(r^{k} - 1)}{r - 1} \dots (i)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.



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Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 13:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$\left(1+\frac{3}{1}\right)\left(1+\frac{5}{4}\right)\left(1+\frac{7}{9}\right)....\left(1+\frac{(2n+1)}{n^2}\right)=\left(n+1\right)^2$$

Solution 13:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): \left(1+\frac{3}{1}\right)\left(1+\frac{5}{4}\right)\left(1+\frac{7}{9}\right)....\left(1+\frac{(2n+1)}{n^2}\right) = (n+1)^2$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1): \left(1+\frac{3}{1}\right)=4=\left(1+1\right)^2=2^2=4$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$\left(1+\frac{3}{1}\right)\left(1+\frac{5}{4}\right)\left(1+\frac{7}{9}\right)....\left(1+\frac{(2k+1)}{k^2}\right)=(k+1)^2.....(1)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

$$\left[\left(1 + \frac{3}{1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{5}{4} \right) \left(1 + \frac{7}{9} \right) \dots \left(1 + \frac{(2k+1)}{k^2} \right) \right] \left\{ 1 + \frac{\left\{ 2(k+1) + 1 \right\}}{(k+1)^2} \right\} \\
= (k+1)^2 \left(1 + \frac{2(k+1) + 1}{(k+1)^2} \right) \qquad \left[\text{Using}(1) \right]$$



$$= (k+1)^{2} \left[\frac{(k+1)^{2} + 2(k+1) + 1}{(k+1)^{2}} \right]$$
$$= (k+1)^{2} + 2(k+1) + 1$$
$$= \{(k+1) + 1\}^{2}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 14:

Prove the following by using principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$\left(1+\frac{1}{1}\right)\left(1+\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1+\frac{1}{3}\right)....\left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)=(n+1)$$

Solution 14:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): \left(1+\frac{1}{1}\right)\left(1+\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1+\frac{1}{3}\right)....\left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right) = (n+1)$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1): \left(1+\frac{1}{1}\right)=2=(1+1)$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$P(k): \left(1+\frac{1}{1}\right)\left(1+\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1+\frac{1}{3}\right)...\left(1+\frac{1}{k}\right) = (k+1)....(1)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

Consider

$$\left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \right) \dots \left(1 + \frac{1}{k} \right) \right] \left(1 + \frac{1}{k+1} \right) \\
= (k+1) \left(1 + \frac{1}{k+1} \right) \\
= (k+1) \left[\frac{(k+1)+1}{(k+1)} \right] \\
= (k+1) + 1$$
[Using (1)]

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 15:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$1^{2} + 3^{2} + 5^{2} + \dots + (2n-1)^{2} = \frac{n(2n-1)(2n+1)}{3}$$



Solution 15:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): 1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2n-1)^2 = \frac{n(2n-1)(2n+1)}{3}$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1)=1^2=1=\frac{1(2.1-1)(2.1+1)}{3}=\frac{1.1.3}{3}=1$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$P(k) = 1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2k-1)^2 = \frac{k(2k-1)(2k+1)}{3} \dots (1)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

Consider

$$\begin{cases}
1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2k-1)^2 \\
 = \frac{k(2k-1)(2k+1)}{3} + (2k+2-1)^2
\end{cases} = \frac{k(2k-1)(2k+1)}{3} + (2k+1)^2$$

$$= \frac{k(2k-1)(2k+1)}{3} + (2k+1)^2$$

$$= \frac{2(2k-1)(2k+1) + 3(2k+1)^2}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(2k+1)\{k(2k-1) + 3(2k+1)\}}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(2k+1)\{2k^2 - k + 6k + 3\}}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(2k+1)\{2k^2 + 5k + 3\}}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(2k+1)\{2k^2 + 2k + 3k + 3\}}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(2k+1)\{2k(k+1) + 3(k+1)\}}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(2k+1)\{2(k+1) + 3(k+1)\}}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(2k+1)\{2(k+1) - 1\}\{2(k+1) + 1\}}{3}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 16:



Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$\frac{1}{1.4} + \frac{1}{4.7} + \frac{1}{7.10} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-2)(3n+1)} = \frac{n}{(3n+1)}$$

Solution 16:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): \frac{1}{1.4} + \frac{1}{4.7} + \frac{1}{7.10} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-2)(3n+1)} = \frac{n}{(3n+1)}$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1) = \frac{1}{1.4} = \frac{1}{3.1+1} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{1.4}$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$P(k) = \frac{1}{1.4} + \frac{1}{4.7} + \frac{1}{7.10} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3k-2)(3k+1)} = \frac{k}{3k+1} \dots (1)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true.

Consider

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{1.4} + \frac{1}{4.7} + \frac{1}{7.10} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3k-2)(3k+1)} \right\} + \frac{1}{\{3(k+1)-2\}\{3(k+1)+1\}}$$

$$= \frac{k}{3k+1} + \frac{1}{(3k+1)(3k+4)} \qquad [Using (1)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(3k+1)} \left\{ k + \frac{1}{(3k+4)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(3k+1)} \left\{ \frac{k(3k+4)+1}{(3k+4)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(3k+1)} \left\{ \frac{3k^2 + 4k + 1}{(3k+4)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(3k+1)} \left\{ \frac{3k^2 + 3k + k + 1}{(3k+4)} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{(3k+1)(k+1)}{(3k+1)(3k+4)}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)}{3(k+1)+1}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 17:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:



$$\frac{1}{3.5} + \frac{1}{5.7} + \frac{1}{7.9} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} = \frac{n}{3(2n+3)}$$

Solution 17:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): \frac{1}{3.5} + \frac{1}{5.7} + \frac{1}{7.9} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} = \frac{n}{3(2n+3)}$$

For n = 1, we have

$$P(1): \frac{1}{3.5} = \frac{1}{3(2.1+3)} = \frac{1}{3.5}$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$P(k): \frac{1}{3.5} + \frac{1}{5.7} + \frac{1}{7.9} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2k+1)(2k+3)} = \frac{k}{3(2k+3)} \dots (1)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true. Consider

$$\left[\frac{1}{3.5} + \frac{1}{5.7} + \frac{1}{7.9} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2k+1)(2k+3)}\right] + \frac{1}{\{2(k+1)+1\}\{2(k+1)+3\}}$$

$$= \frac{k}{3(2k+3)} + \frac{1}{(2k+3)(2k+5)} \qquad [Using (1)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2k+3)} \left[\frac{k}{3} + \frac{1}{(2k+5)}\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2k+3)} \left[\frac{k(2k+5)+3}{3(2k+5)}\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2k+3)} \left[\frac{2k^2+5k+3}{3(2k+5)}\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2k+3)} \left[\frac{2k^2+2k+3k+3}{3(2k+5)}\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2k+3)} \left[\frac{2k(k+1)+3(k+1)}{3(2k+5)}\right]$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)(2k+3)}{3(2k+3)(2k+5)}$$

$$= \frac{(k+1)}{3\{2(k+1)+3\}}$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 18:



Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$1+2+3+....+n<\frac{1}{8}(2n+1)^2$$

Solution 18:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n):1+2+3+....+n<\frac{1}{8}(2n+1)^2$$

It can be noted that P(n) is true for n = 1 since

$$1 < \frac{1}{8} (2.1+1)^2 = \frac{9}{8}$$

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$1+2+....+k < \frac{1}{8}(2k+1)^2.....(1)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Consider

$$(1+2+....+k)+(k+1)<\frac{1}{8}(2k+1)^{2}+(k+1)$$

$$<\frac{1}{8}\{(2k+1)^{2}+8(k+1)\}$$

$$<\frac{1}{8}\{4k^{2}+4k+1+8k+8\}$$

$$<\frac{1}{8}\{4k^{2}+12k+9\}$$

$$<\frac{1}{8}(2k+3)^{2}$$

$$<\frac{1}{8}\{2(k+1)+1\}^{2}$$

Hence,
$$(1+2+3+....+k)+(k+1)<\frac{1}{8}(2k+1)^2+(k+1)$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 19:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$: n(n+1)(n+5) is a multiple of 3.

Solution 19:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): n(n+1)(n+5)$$
, which is a multiple of 3.

It can be noted that P(n) is true for n=1 since 1(1+1)(1+5)=12, which is a multiple of 3.



Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$k(k+1)(k+5)$$
 is a multiple of 3.

$$\therefore k(k+1)(k+5) = 3m$$
, where $m \in \mathbb{N} \dots (1)$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Consider

$$(k+1)\{(k+1)+1\}\{(k+1)+5\}$$

$$=(k+1)(k+2)\{(k+5)+1\}$$

$$=(k+1)(k+2)(k+5)+(k+1)(k+2)$$

$$=\{k(k+1)(k+5)+2(k+1)(k+5)\}+(k+1)(k+2)$$

$$=3m+(k+1)\{2(k+5)+(k+2)\}$$

$$=3m+(k+1)\{2k+10+k+2\}$$

$$=3m+(k+1)\{3k+12\}$$

$$=3m+(k+1)\{k+4\}$$

$$=3\{m+(k+1)(k+4)\}=3\times q, \text{ where } q=\{m+(k+1)(k+4)\} \text{ is some natural number.}$$
Therefore, $(k+1)\{(k+1)+1\}\{(k+1)+5\}$ is a multiple of 3.

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 20:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$: $10^{2n-1} + 1$ is divisible by 11.

Solution 20:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n):10^{2n-1}+1$$
 is divisible by 11.

It can be observed that P(n) is true for n = 1

Since
$$P(1) = 10^{2.1-1} + 1 = 11$$
, which is divisible by 11.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k,

i.e.,
$$10^{2k-1} + 1$$
 is divisible by 11.

$$10^{2k-1} + 1 = 11m$$
, where

$$m \in \mathbb{N}(1)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

$$10^{2(k+1)-1} + 1$$
$$= 10^{2k+2-1} + 1$$



$$= 10^{2k+1} + 1$$

$$= 10^{2} (10^{2k-1} + 1 - 1) + 1$$

$$= 10^{2} (10^{2k-1} + 1) - 10^{2} + 1$$

$$=10^2.11m-100+1$$

[Using (1)]

$$=100 \times 11m - 99$$

$$=11(100m-9)$$

=11r, where r = (100m - 9) is some natural number

Therefore, $10^{2(k+1)-1} + 1$ is divisible by 11.

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 21:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$: $x^{2n} - y^{2n}$ is divisible by x + y.

Solution 21:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): x^{2n} - y^{2n}$$
 is divisible by $x + y$.

It can be observed that P(n) is true for n = 1.

This is so because $x^{2\times 1} - y^{2\times 1} = x^2 - y^2 = (x+y)(x-y)$ is divisible by (x+y).

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$x^{2k} - y^{2k}$$
 is divisible by $x + y$.

:. Let
$$x^{2k} - y^{2k} = m(x+y)$$
, where $m \in \mathbb{N}$ (1)

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Consider

$$x^{2(k+1)-y^{2(k+1)}}$$

$$= x^{2k} \cdot x^2 - y^{2k} \cdot y^2$$

$$= x^2 \left(x^{2k} - y^{2k} + y^{2k} \right) - y^{2k} \cdot y^2$$

$$= x^2 \left\{ m(x+y) + y^{2k} \right\} - y^{2k} \cdot y^2$$

$$= m(x+y)x^2 + y^{2k} \cdot x^2 - y^{2k} \cdot y^2$$

$$= m(x+y)x^2 + y^{2k} \cdot (x^2 - y^2)$$

$$= m(x+y)x^2 + y^{2k} \cdot (x+y)(x-y)$$

$$= (x+y) \left\{ mx^2 + y^{2k} \cdot (x-y) \right\}, \text{ which is a factor of } (x+y).$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.



Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Question 22:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$: $3^{2n+2} - 8n - 9$ is divisible by 8.

Solution 22:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n):3^{2n+2}-8n-9$$
 is divisible by 8.

It can be observed that P(n) is true for n = 1

Since
$$3^{2\times 1+2} - 8\times 1 - 9 = 64$$
, which is divisible by 8.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer

$$k$$
, i.e., $3^{2k+2} - 8k - 9$ is divisible by 8.

$$\therefore 3^{2k+2} - 8k - 9 = 8m$$
; where $m \in \mathbb{N}$(1)

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Consider

$$3^{2(k+1)+2}-8(k+1)-9$$

$$3^{2k+2} \cdot 3^2 - 8k - 8 - 9$$

$$=3^{2} \left(3^{2k+2} - 8k - 9 + 8k + 9\right) - 8k - 17$$

$$=3^{2} (3^{2k+2} - 8k - 9) + 3^{2} (8k + 9) - 8k - 17$$

$$=9.8m+9(8k+9)-8k-17$$

$$=9.8m+72k+81-8k-17$$

$$=9.8m+64k+64$$

$$=8(9m+8k+8)$$

$$=8r$$
, where $r = (9m + 8k + 8)$ is a natural number

Therefore,
$$3^{2(k+1)+2} - 8(k+1) - 9$$
 is divisible by 8.

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all numbers i.e., N

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Ouestion 23:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$: $41^n - 14^n$ is a multiple of 27.

Solution 23:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n):41^{n}-14^{n}$$
 is a multiple of 27.



It can be observed that P(n) is true for n = 1

Since $41^1 - 14^1 = 27$, which is a multiple of 27.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

 $41^k - 14^k$ is a multiple of 27

$$\therefore 41^k - 14^k = 27 \, m, \ m \in \mathbb{N} \dots (1)$$

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Consider

$$41^{k+1} - 14^{k+1}$$

$$=41^{k}.41-14^{k}.14$$

$$=41(41^{k}-14^{k}+14^{k})-14^{k}\cdot 14$$

$$=41.27 m+14^{k} (41-14)$$

$$=41.27m+27.14^{k}$$

$$=27(41m-14^{k})$$

=
$$27 \times r$$
, where $r = (41m - 14^k)$ is a natural number.

Therefore, $41^{k+1} - 14^{k+1}$ is a multiple of 27.

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

Ouestion 24:

Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

$$(2n+7)<(n+3)^2$$

Solution 24:

Let the given statement be P(n), i.e.,

$$P(n): (2n+7) < (n+3)^2$$

It can be observed that P(n) is true for n = 1

Since
$$2.1+7=9<(1+3)^2=16$$
, which is true.

Let P(k) be true for some positive integer k, i.e.,

$$(2k+7)<(k+3)^2$$
.....(1)

We shall now prove that P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

$${2(k+1)+7}=(2k+7)+2$$

$$\therefore \{2(k+1)+7\} = (2k+7)+2 < (k+3)^2+2$$
 [Using (1)]

$$2(k+1)+7 < k^2+6k+9+2$$

$$2(k+1)+7 < k^2+6k+11$$



Now,
$$k^2 + 6k + 11 < k^2 + 8k + 16$$

$$\therefore 2(k+1) + 7 < (k+4)^2$$

$$2(k+1) + 7 < \{(k+1) + 3\}^2$$

Thus, P(k+1) is true whenever P(k) is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement P(n) is true for all natural numbers i.e., N.

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