



Mathematical Induction Ex 12.2 Q47

Let $P(n)$ be the statement given by

$$P(n): x_n = \frac{2}{n!} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Step I:

$$P(2): x_2 = \frac{2}{2!} = 1$$

Given that $x_k = \frac{x_{k-1}}{n}$ for all natural numbers $k \geq 2$

$$x_2 = \frac{x_1}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1$$

$\therefore P(2)$ is true.

Step II:

Let $P(m)$ is true. Then,

$$x_m = \frac{2}{m!} \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

We have to prove that $P(m+1)$ is true.

$$x_{m+1} = \frac{x_{m+1-1}}{m+1}$$

$$x_{m+1} = \frac{x_m}{m+1}$$

$$x_{m+1} = \frac{\frac{2}{m!}}{m+1} \dots\dots\dots [\text{from (i)}]$$

$$x_{m+1} = \frac{2}{m!(m+1)}$$

$$x_{m+1} = \frac{2}{(m+1)!}$$

$\Rightarrow P(m+1)$ is true.

Hence by the principle of mathematical induction, the given result is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Mathematical Induction Ex 12.2 Q48

Let $P(n)$ be the statement given by

$$P(n): x_n = 5 + 4n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Step I:

$$P(1): x_1 = 5 + 4(1) = 5 + 4 = 9$$

Given that $x_k = 4 + x_{k-1}$ for all natural numbers k

$$x_1 = 4 + x_0 = 4 + 5 = 9$$

$\therefore P(1)$ is true.

Step II:

Let $P(m)$ is true. Then,

$$x_m = 5 + 4m \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

We have to prove that $P(m+1)$ is true.

$$x_{m+1} = 4 + x_{m+1-1}$$

$$x_{m+1} = 4 + x_m$$

$$x_{m+1} = 4 + 5 + 4m \dots \dots \dots [\text{from (i)}]$$

$$x_{m+1} = 5 + 4(m+1)$$

$\Rightarrow P(m+1)$ is true.

Hence by the principle of mathematical induction, the given result is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Mathematical Induction Ex 12.2 Q49

Let $P(n)$ be the statement given by

$$P(n): \sqrt{n} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \text{ for all natural numbers } n \geq 2.$$

Step I:

$$P(2): \sqrt{2} = 1.4142$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = 1 + \frac{1}{1.4142} = 1 + 0.7071 = 1.7071$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{2} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$\therefore P(2)$ is true.

Step II:

Let $P(m)$ is true. Then,

$$\sqrt{m} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

We have to prove that $P(m+1)$ is true.

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} > \sqrt{m} \dots \dots \dots [\text{from (i)}]$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m+1}} > \sqrt{m} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m+1}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m+1}} > \frac{\sqrt{m^2+m+1}}{\sqrt{m+1}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m+1}} > \frac{\sqrt{m^2+1}}{\sqrt{m+1}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m+1}} > \frac{m+1}{\sqrt{m+1}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{m+1}} > \sqrt{m+1}$$

$\Rightarrow P(m+1)$ is true.

Hence by the principle of mathematical induction, the given result is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Mathematical Induction Ex 12.2 Q50

The distributive law from algebra states that for all real numbers c , a_1 and a_2 , we have $c(a_1 + a_2) = ca_1 + ca_2$.
 Use this law and mathematical induction to prove that, for all natural numbers, $n \geq 2$, if $c(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n)$

$$= ca_1 + ca_2 + \dots + ca_n$$

Let $P(n)$ be the statement given by

$$P(n) : c(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n) = ca_1 + ca_2 + ca_3 + \dots + ca_n \text{ for all natural numbers } n \geq 2.$$

Step I:

$$P(2) : c(a_1 + a_2) = ca_1 + ca_2$$

$\therefore P(2)$ is true.

Step II:

Let $P(m)$ is true. Then,

$$c(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_m) = ca_1 + ca_2 + ca_3 + \dots + ca_m \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

We have to prove that $P(m+1)$ is true.

$$c(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_m + a_{m+1}) = c[(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_m) + a_{m+1}]$$

$$c(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_m + a_{m+1}) = c(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_m) + ca_{m+1}$$

$$c(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_m + a_{m+1}) = ca_1 + ca_2 + ca_3 + \dots + ca_m + ca_{m+1} \dots \dots \dots [\text{from (i)}]$$

$\Rightarrow P(m+1)$ is true.

Hence by the principle of mathematical induction, the given result is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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