

PRINCIPLE OF MATHEMATICAL INDUCTION AND LINEAR INEQUALITY

Deduction: Deduction is the method of deducing a particular result from a general result

Induction: Induction is the method of obtaining a general result from particular results

Principle of Mathematical induction

Statement : Let $p(n)$ be a statement involving natural number n such that

i) $p(1)$ is true

ii) $p(m+1)$ is true, whenever $p(m)$ is true. Then, $p(n)$ is true for every natural number n

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

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

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

$$\text{For } n = 1, p(1) = 1$$

$$\text{LHS of } p(1) = 1, \text{ RHS of } p(1) = \frac{3^1 - 1}{2} = 1$$

Thus, $p(1)$ is true

Let the statement $p(k)$ be true

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

Now we shall prove that $p(k+1)$ is true

$$\text{LHS of } p(k+1) = 1 + 3 + 3^2 + \dots + 3^{k-1} + 3^k$$

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

$\therefore p(k+1)$ is true

Thus $p(k+1)$ is true whenever $p(k)$ is true

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction $p(n)$ is true for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$

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

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

$$\text{LHS of } p(1) = 1^3 = 1$$

$$\text{RHS of } p(1) = \left(\frac{1(1+1)}{2} \right)^2 = 1$$

\therefore LHS of $p(1)$ = RHS of $p(1)$. So $p(1)$ is true

Assume that $p(m)$ is true

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

Now, we shall prove that $p(m+1)$ is true

$$\text{LHS of } p(m+1) = 1^3 + 2^3 + \dots + m^3 + (m+1)^3$$

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

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

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true

This $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction $p(n)$ is true for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$

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

$$\text{Let } p(n) : 1 + \frac{1}{1+2} + \frac{1}{1+2+3} + \dots + \frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots+n} = \frac{2n}{(n+1)}$$

$$\text{LHS of } p(1) = 1$$

$$\text{RHS of } p(1) = \frac{2 \times 1}{1+1} = 1$$

\therefore LHS of $p(1)$ = RHS of $p(1)$

So $p(1)$ is true

Assume that $p(m)$ is true

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

Now, we shall prove that $p(m+1)$ is true

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS of } p(m+1) &= 1 + \frac{1}{1+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots+m} + \frac{1}{1+2+\dots+m+1} \\ &= \frac{2m}{m+1} + \frac{1}{\frac{(m+1)(m+2)}{2}} = \frac{2m}{m+1} + \frac{2}{(m+1)(m+2)} \\ &= \frac{2}{m+1} + \left(m + \frac{1}{(m+2)} \right) = \frac{2}{(m+1)} \left(\frac{m^2 + 2m + 1}{m+2} \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{(m+1)} \times \frac{(m+1)^2}{(m+2)} = \frac{2(m+1)^2}{(m+1)(m+1+1)} = \frac{2(m+1)}{(m+1)+1} = \text{RHS of } p(m+1) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true

Thus $p(m+1)$ true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence, by P.M.I $p(n)$ is true for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$

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

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

$$\text{LHS of } p(1) = 1.2.3 = 6$$

$$\text{RHS of } p(1) = \frac{1(1+1)(1+2)(1+3)}{4} = 6$$

\therefore LHS of $p(1)$ = RHS of $p(1)$

So $p(1)$ is true

Assume that $p(m)$ is true

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

$$\text{Now LHS of } p(m+1) = 1.2.3 + 2.3.4 + \dots + m(m+1)(m+2) + (m+1)(m+2)(m+3)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (m+1)(m+2)(m+3)\left(\frac{m}{4}+1\right) \\
&= \frac{(m+1)(m+2)(m+3)(m+4)}{4} \\
&= \frac{(m+1)(m+1+1)(m+1+2)(m+1+3)}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

=RHS of $p(m+1)$

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true

Thus $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence, by PMI $p(n)$ is true for every natural numbers

$$(5) \quad 1.3 + 2.3^2 + 3.3^3 + \dots + n.3^n = \frac{(2n-1)3^{n+1} + 3}{4}$$

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

$$\text{LHS of } p(1) = 1.3 = 3$$

$$\text{RHS of } p(1) = \frac{(2 \times 1 - 1)3^{1+1} + 3}{4} = \frac{9 + 3}{4} = 3$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS of } p(1) = \text{RHS of } p(1)$$

So $p(1)$ is true

Assume that $p(m)$ is true

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

Now, we shall prove that $p(m+1)$ is true

$$\text{LHS pf } p(m+1) = 1.3 + 2.3^2 + \dots + m.3^m + (m+1)3^{m+1}$$

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

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

$$= \frac{3^{m+1}[2m-1+4m+4] + 3}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3^{m+1}(6m+3) + 3}{4}$$

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

$$= \frac{(2(m+1)-1)3^{m+1+1} + 3}{4} = \text{RHS of } p(m+1)$$

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true

Thus $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true. Hence by PMI $p(n)$ is true for every natural number

$$(6) \quad 1.2 + 2.3 + 3.4 + \dots + n(n+1) = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3}$$

$$\text{Let } p(n) = 1.2 + 2.3 + \dots + n(n+1) = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3}$$

$$\text{LHS of } p(1) = 1.2 = 2$$

$$\text{RHS of } p(1) = \frac{1(1+1)(1+2)}{3} = 2$$

$\therefore \text{LHS of } p(1) = \text{RHS of } p(1)$

So $p(1)$ is true

Assume that $p(m)$ is true

$$p(m) = 1.2 + 2.3 + \dots + m(m+1) = \frac{m(m+1)(m+2)}{3}$$

Now, we shall prove that $p(m+1)$ is true

$$p(m+1) = 1.2 + 2.3 + \dots + m(m+1) + (m+1)(m+2)$$

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

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

$$= \frac{(m+1)(m+1+1)(m+1+2)}{3} = \text{RHS of } p(m+1)$$

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true

Thus, $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence, by PMI, $p(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$7. \quad 1.3 + 3.4 + 5.7 + \dots + (2n-1)(2n+1) = \frac{n(4n^2 + 6n - 1)}{3}$$

$$\text{Let } p(n) = 1.3 + 3.5 + \dots + (2n-1)(2n+1) = \frac{n(4n^2 + 6n - 1)}{3}$$

$$\text{LHS of } p(1) = 1.3 = 3$$

$$\text{RHS of } p(1) = \frac{1(4.1^2 + 6.1 - 1)}{3} = \frac{9}{3} = 3$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS of } p(1) = \text{RHS of } p(1)$$

So $p(1)$ is true

Let $p(m)$ be true

$$p(m) = 1.3 + 3.5 + \dots + (2m-1)(2m+1) = \frac{m(3m^2 + 6m - 1)}{3}$$

Now, we shall prove that $p(n+1)$ is true

$$\text{LHS of } p(m+1) = 1.3 + 3.5 + \dots + (2m-1)(2m+1) + (2(m+1)-1)(2(m+1)+1)$$

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

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

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

$$= \frac{4m^3 + 18m^2 + 23m + 9}{3} = \frac{(m+1)(4m^2 + 14m + 9)}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(m+1)(4(m+1)^2 + 6(m+1) - 1)}{3} = \text{RHS of } p(m+1)$$

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true. Thus $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence by PMI $p(n)$ is true for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$(8) \quad 1.2 + 2.2^2 + 3.2^3 + \dots + n.2^n = (n-1)2^{n+1} + 2$$

$$\text{Let } p(n) = 1.2 + 2.2^2 + 3.2^3 + \dots + n.2^n = (n-1)2^{n+1} + 2$$

$$\text{LHS of } p(1) = 1.2 = 2$$

$$\text{RHS of } p(1) = 0 + 2 = 2$$

$\therefore \text{LHS of } p(1) = \text{RHS of } p(1)$, So $p(1)$ is true

Assume that $p(m)$ is true

$$p(m) = 1.2 + 2.2^2 + 3.2^3 + \dots + m.2^m = (m-1)2^{m+1} + 2$$

Now, we shall prove that $p(m+1)$ is true

$$\begin{aligned} p(m+1) &= 1.2 + 2.2^2 + \dots + m.2^m + (m+1)2^{m+1} \\ &= (m-1)2^{m+1} + 2 + (m+1)2^{m+1} \\ &= 2^{m+1}(m-1+m+1) + 2 = 2^{m+1}(2m) + 2 \\ &= 2((m+1)-1)2^{m+1} + 2 = (m+1-1)2^{m+1+1} + 2 = \text{RHS of } p(m+1) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true

Thus, $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence by PMI $p(n)$ is true for every natural number

$$(9) \quad \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$\text{Let } p(n) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$\text{LHS of } p(1) = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ RHS of } p(1) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

\therefore LHS of $p(1)$ = RHS of $p(1)$

So $p(1)$ is true

$$\text{Assume that } p(m) \text{ is true, } p(m) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^m} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^m}$$

Now, we shall prove that $p(m+1)$ is true

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS of } p(m+1) &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^m} + \frac{1}{2^{m+1}} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^m} + \frac{1}{2^{m+1}} \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2^m} + \frac{1}{2.2^m} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^m} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{m+1}} = \text{RHS of } p(m+1) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true

Thus $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence by PMI $p(n)$ is true for every natural number n

$$10. \quad \frac{1}{2.5} + \frac{1}{5.8} + \frac{1}{8.11} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-1)(3n+2)} = \frac{n}{6n+4}$$

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

$$\text{LHS of } p(1) = \frac{1}{2.5} = \frac{1}{10}, \text{ RHS of } p(1) = \frac{1}{6 \times 1 + 4} = \frac{1}{10}$$

∴ LHS of $p(1)$ = RHS of $p(1)$, so $p(1)$ is true

Assume that $p(m)$ is true, $p(m) = \frac{1}{2.5} + \frac{1}{3.8} + \frac{1}{8.11} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3m-1)(3m+2)} = \frac{m}{6m+4}$

Now, we shall prove that $p(m+1)$ is true

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS of } p(m+1) &= \frac{1}{2.5} + \frac{1}{5.8} + \frac{1}{8.11} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3m-1)(3m+2)} = \frac{1}{(3(m+1) + (3(m+1) + 4))} \\ &= \frac{m}{6m+4} + \frac{1}{(3m+3-1)(3m+5)} \\ &= \frac{m}{6m+4} + \frac{1}{(3m+2)(3m+5)} \\ &= \frac{1}{(3m+2)} \left(\frac{m}{2} + \frac{1}{3m+5} \right) = \frac{1}{(3m+2)} \left(\frac{3m^2 + 5m + 2}{2(3m+5)} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{(3m+2)} \frac{(3m+2)(m+1)}{2(3m+5)} = \frac{m+1}{6m+10} = \frac{m+1}{6(m+1)+4} \end{aligned}$$

∴ $p(m+1)$ is true

Thus $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence by PMI $p(n)$ is true for all natural numbers n

$$11. \frac{1}{1.4} + \frac{1}{4.7} + \frac{1}{7.10} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-2)(3n+1)} = \frac{n}{(3n+1)}$$

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

$$\text{LHS of } p(1) = \frac{1}{1.4} = \frac{1}{4}, \text{ RHS of } p(1) = \frac{1}{3 \times 1 + 1} = \frac{1}{4}$$

∴ LHS of $p(1)$ = RHS of $p(1)$, so $p(1)$ is true

Assume that $p(m)$ is true, $p(m) = \frac{1}{1.4} + \frac{1}{4.7} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3m-2)(3m+1)} = \frac{m}{3m+1}$

Now, we shall prove that $p(m+1)$ is true

$$\begin{aligned} p(m+1) &= \frac{1}{1.4} + \frac{1}{4.7} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3m-2)(3m+1)} + \frac{1}{(3(m+1)-2)(3(m+1)+1)} \\ &= \frac{m}{(3m+1)} + \frac{1}{(3m+4)(3m+1)} = \frac{1}{(2m+1)} \left[m + \frac{1}{3m+4} \right] \end{aligned}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{(3m+1)} \frac{(3m+1)(m+1)}{(3m+4)} = \frac{m+1}{3(m+1)+1} \text{ RHS of } p(m+1)$$

Thus $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence by PMI, $p(n)$ is true for every natural number n

18. $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n < \frac{1}{8}(2n+1)^2$

For $n = 1$, $p(1) : 1 < \frac{1}{8}(2 \times 1 + 1)^2 = \frac{9}{8}$ is true

$1 < \frac{9}{8}$ is true

$\therefore p(1)$ is true

Let $p(m)$ be true

$$p(m) = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + m < \frac{1}{8}(2m+1)^2$$

$$\text{Now } p(m+1) = 1 + 2 + \dots + m + m + 1 < \frac{1}{8}(2m+1)^2 + (m+1)$$

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

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

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

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

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true

Thus $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence by PMI $p(n)$ is true for all natural numbers

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

Let $p(n) = n(n+1)(n+5) = 3k$, where $k \in \text{Integer}$ for $n = 1$ $p(1) = 1(2)(6) = 12 = 3 \cdot 4$ multiple A?

$\therefore p(1)$ is true?

Let $p(m)$ be true

$$p(m) = m(m+1)(m+5) = 3p, p \in I$$

$$\text{Now } p(m+1) = (m+1)(m+1+1)(m+1+5)$$

$$= (m+1)(m+2)(m+6)$$

$$= (m+1)(m^2 + 8m + 12) = (m+1)(m^2 + 5m + 3m + 16)$$

$$= (m+1)m(m+5) + (m+1)(3)(m+4)$$

$$= 3p + 3(m+1)(m+4)$$

$$= 3(p + (m+1)(m+4)) = 3n \text{ where } n \in I$$

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true

Thus, $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence by PMI $p(n)$ is true for all natural numbers

20. $10^{2n-1} + 1$ is divisible by 11

$$\text{Let } p(n) = 10^{2n-1} + 1 = 11k, k \in I$$

$$p(1) = 10^{2 \times 1 - 1} + 1 = 10 + 1 = 11$$

$\therefore p(1)$ is true

$$\text{Let } p(m) \text{ between, } p(m) = 10^{2m-1} + 1 = 11p, p \in I$$

$$\text{Now } p(m+1) = 10^{2(m+1)-1} + 1 = 10^{2m+2-1} + 1$$

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

$$= 100(10^{2m-1} + 1) - 99$$

$$= 11p - 11 \times 9 = 11(p - 9) = 11z \quad z \in I$$

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true

Thus $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence by PMI, the result $p(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

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

$$\text{Let } p(n) = x^{2n} - y^{2n} = (x+y)k, \text{ where } k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$p(1) = x^2 - y^2 = (x+y)(x-y)$$

$\therefore p(1)$ is true

$$\text{Let } p(m) \text{ between, } p(m) = x^{2m} - y^{2m} = (x+y)p, p \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{Now } p(m+1) = x^{2(m+1)} - y^{2(m+1)} = x^{2m}y^2 - y^{2m}x^2$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
&= x^2(x^{2m} - y^m) + y^{2m}(x^2 - y^2) \\
&= x^2(x + y)p + y^{2m}(x + y)(x - y) \\
&= (x + y)[x^2p + y^{2m}(x - y)] \text{ divisible by } x + y
\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore p(m + 1)$ is true

Thus $p(m + 1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence by PMI, $p(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

22. $3^{2n+2} - 8n - 9$ is divisible by 8

Let $p(n) = 3^{2n+2} - 8n - 9$ is divisible by 8

$$p(1) = 3^4 - 8 \cdot 1 - 9 = 81 - 17 = 64 = 8 \times 8$$

$\therefore p(1)$ is true

Let $p(m)$ between, $p(m) = 3^{2m+2} - 8m - 9 = 8k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\text{Now } p(m + 1) = 3^{2(m+1)+2}$$

$$= 3^{2m+2} 3^2 - 8m - 8 - 9$$

$$= 9(3^{2m+2} - 8m - 9) + 64m + 64$$

$$= 9 \cdot 8k + 64(m + 1) = 8(9k + 8(m + 1)) \text{ is divisible by 8}$$

$\therefore p(m + 1)$ is true

Thus $p(m + 1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence by PMI $p(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

23. $41^n - 14^n$ is a multiple of 27

Let $p(n) = 41^n - 14^n$ is a multiple of 27

$$p(1) = 41 - 14 = 27 \therefore p(1) \text{ is true}$$

Let $p(m)$ between, $p(m) = 41^m - 14^m = 27k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\text{Now } p(m + 1) = 41^{m+1} - 14^{m+1}$$

$$41^m \cdot 41 - 14^m \cdot 14$$

$$= 41(41^m - 14^m) + 41 \cdot 14^m - 14 \cdot 14^m$$

$$= 14 \cdot 27k + 14^m 27 = 27(14k + 14^m)$$

$\therefore p(m + 1)$ is true

Thus $p(m + 1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence by PMI the result $p(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

24. $(2n + 7) < (n + 3)^2$

Let $p(n) = (2n + 7) < (n + 3)^2$

$p(1) = 9 < 16, 1.p(1)$ is true

Let $p(m)$ be true, $p(m) = (2m + 7) < (m + 3)^2$

Now $p(m+1)$ to prove $2(m + 1) + 7 < (m + 1 + 3)^2$

We have $(2m + 7) < (m + 3)^2$ $2m + 7 + 2 < (m + 3)^2 + 2$

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

$2(m + 1) + 7 < (m + 4)^2$

$2(m + 1) + 7 < (m + 1 + 3)^2$

$\therefore p(m+1)$ is true

Thus $p(m+1)$ is true whenever $p(m)$ is true

Hence, by PMI $p(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Linear inequality

Two real numbers or two algebraic expressions related by the symbol $\leq, \geq, <$ or $>$ form an inequality $3 < 5$, $5 < 8$ are the examples of numerical inequalities

$x < 5; y \geq 2$ $x \leq 4$ $x > 4$ are some examples of literal inequality

$x > 5, y < 3$ are strict inequalities

$x \leq 3, y \geq 4$ are slack inequalities

$ax^2 + bx + c < 0, a \neq 0$ is a quadratic inequality. Equal numbers may be added (subtracted) both sides of an inequality without affecting the sign of inequality

Both sides of an inequality can be multiplied (divided) by the same positive number. But when both sides are multiplied or divided by a negative number, then the sign of inequality is reversed

If $a < b \Rightarrow -2a > -2b$

If $x > y \Rightarrow 3x > 3y$

If $x < y \Rightarrow 2 + x < 2 + y$

If $x < y \Rightarrow x - 3 < y - 3$

If $a < b \Rightarrow \frac{a}{2} < \frac{b}{2}$

If $x \leq y \Rightarrow \frac{x}{-3} \geq \frac{y}{-3}$

$$\text{If } a < b \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} > \frac{1}{b}$$

Ex:6.1

- (1) Solve $24x < 100$, when (i) x is a natural number (ii) x is an integer

$$24x < 100, x < \frac{100}{24} \text{ (i) } 1, 2, 3, 4$$

$$\text{(i) } x = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \text{ (ii) } x = \{\dots - 2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

- (2) Solve $-12x > 30$, when (i) $x \in \mathbb{N}$ (ii) $x \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$-12x > 30$$

$$x < \frac{-30}{12} \text{ (i) } x = \{ \} \text{ (ii) } \{\dots - 2, -3\}$$

$$x < -2.5$$

- (3) Solve $5x - 3 < 7$ (i) $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ (ii) $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$5x - 3 < 7, 5x < 10, x < 2$$

$$\text{(i) } x = \{\dots - 2, -1, 0, 1\} \text{ (ii) } x \in (-\infty, 2)$$

- (4) Solve $3x + 8 > 2$ when (i) $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ (ii) $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$3x + 8 > 2, 3x > -6, x > -2$$

$$\text{(i) } x = \{-1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\} \text{ (ii) } (-2, \infty)$$

Solve the inequalities in Ex. 5 to 16 for real x

- (5) $4x + 3 < 5x + 7$

$$4x - 5x < 7 - 3 \Rightarrow -x < 4, x > -4$$

$$x \in (-4, \infty)$$

- (6) $3x - 7 > 5x - 1$

$$-7 + 1 > 5x - 3x$$

$$2x < -6 \Rightarrow x < -3 \text{ } x \in (-\infty, -3)$$

- (7) $3(x - 1) \leq 2(x - 3)$

$$3x - 3 \leq 2x - 6 \Rightarrow x \leq 3 \text{ } x \in (-\infty, 3]$$

- (8) $3(2 - x) \geq 2(1 - x)$

$$6 - 3x \geq 2 - 2x \Rightarrow -x \geq -4, x \leq 4, x \in (-\infty, 4]$$

$$(9) \quad x + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x}{3} < 11$$

$$6x + 3x + 2x < 66 \Rightarrow 11x < 66, x < 6, x \in (-\infty, 6)$$

$$(10) \quad \frac{x}{3} > \frac{x}{2} + 1$$

$$2x > 3x + 6, -x > 6, x < -6 \quad x \in (-\infty, -6)$$

$$(11) \quad \frac{3(x-2)}{5} \leq \frac{5(2-x)}{3} \Rightarrow 9x - 18 \leq 50 - 25x$$

$$34x \leq 68, x \leq 2 \quad x \in (-\infty, 2]$$

$$(12) \quad \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3x}{5} + 4 \right) \geq \frac{1}{3}(x-6)$$

$$\frac{3x}{10} + 2 \geq \frac{x}{3} - 2$$

$$9x + 60 \geq 10x - 60$$

$$120 \geq x \quad \therefore x \in (-\infty, 120]$$

$$(13) \quad 2(2x+3) - 10 < 6(x-2)$$

$$4x + 6 - 10 < 6x - 12 \Rightarrow 8 < 2x \Rightarrow 2x > 8 \quad x \in (4, \infty)$$

$$(14) \quad 37 - (3x+5) \geq 9x - 8(x-3)$$

$$37 - 3x - 5 \geq 9x - 8x + 24 \Rightarrow 5x \Rightarrow 8 \geq 4x, x \leq 2 \quad x \in (-\infty, 2]$$

$$(15) \quad \frac{x}{4} < \frac{(5x-2)}{3} - \frac{(7x-3)}{5}$$

$$15x < 100x - 40 - 84x + 36$$

$$4 < x \quad x \in (4, \infty)$$

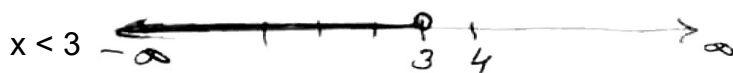
$$(16) \quad \frac{2x-1}{3} \geq \frac{3x-2}{4} - \left(\frac{2-x}{5} \right)$$

$$40x - 20 \geq 45x - 30 - 24 + 12x$$

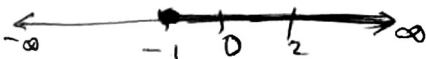
$$34 \geq 17x, \quad x \leq 2 \quad x \in (-\infty, 2]$$

Solution on number line

$$(17) \quad 3x - 2 < 2x + 1$$



(18) $5x - 3 \geq 3x - 5, 2x \geq -2, x \geq -1$



(19) $3(1-x) < 2(x+4)$

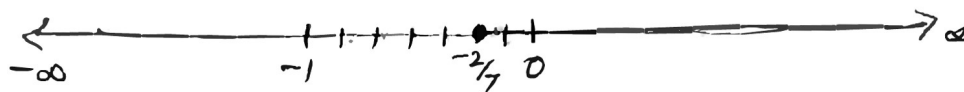
$$3 - 3x < 2x + 8$$

$$-5x < 5, -x < 1, x > -1$$


(20) $\frac{x}{2} \geq \frac{5x-2}{3} - \left(\frac{7x-3}{5}\right)$

$$15x \geq 50x - 20 - 42x + 18$$

$$7x \geq -2, x \geq \frac{-2}{7}$$



- (21) Ravi obtained 70 and 75 marks in first two unit tests. Find the minimum marks he should get in the third test to have an average of at least 60 marks

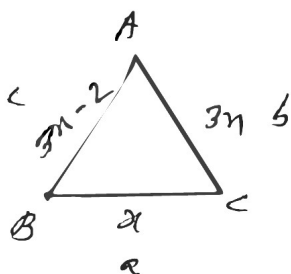
Let x be marks obtained in third test

$$\text{Average marks} = \frac{70 + 75 + x}{3} \geq 60 \text{ (given)}$$

$$145 + x \geq 180 \therefore x \geq 35$$

So minimum marks in III test = 35

- (25) The longest side of a triangle is 3 times the shortest side and the third side is 2cm shorter than the longest side. If the perimeter of the triangle is at least 61cm, find the minimum length of the shortest side



Perimeter, $a + b + c \geq 61$

$$3x + 3x - 2 + x \geq 61$$

$$7x \geq 63, x \geq 9$$

Minimum length of the shortest side is 9 cm

- (26) A man wants to cut three lengths from a single piece of board of length 91 cm. The second length is to be 3 cm longer than the shortest and the third length is to be twice as long as the shortest. What are the possible lengths of the shortest board of the third piece is to be at least 5 cm longer than the second

Let x be the length of the shortest board

Thus, $x, x + 3, 2x$ are the length of all the pieces

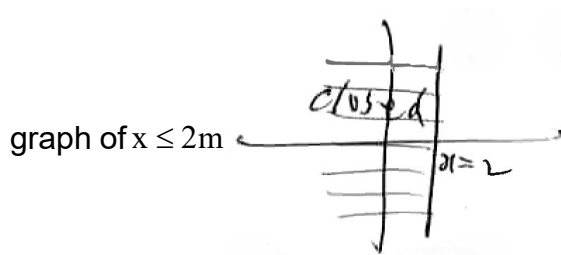
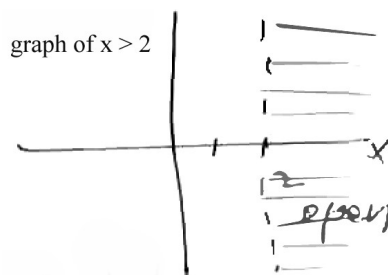
$$x + x + 3 + 2x \leq 91 \text{ and } 2x \geq x + 3 + 5$$

$$4x \leq 88 \text{ and } x \geq 8$$

$$x \leq 22$$

$$\therefore 8 \leq x \leq 22$$

Graph of a strict inequality is an open half plane and graph of slack inequation is a closed half plane.

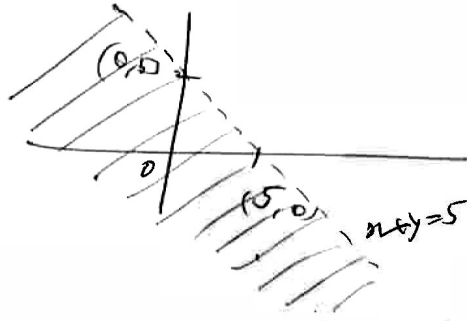


Ex.6.2 Solve graphically

(1) $x + y < 5$

$x + y = 5$

x	0	5
y	5	0

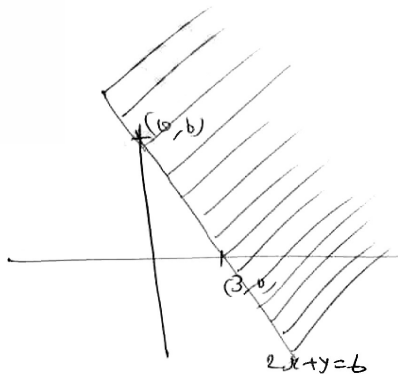


$0(0,0) \Rightarrow 0 + 0 < 5$

True (origin side)

(2) $2x + y \geq 6$

x	x	3
y	6	0

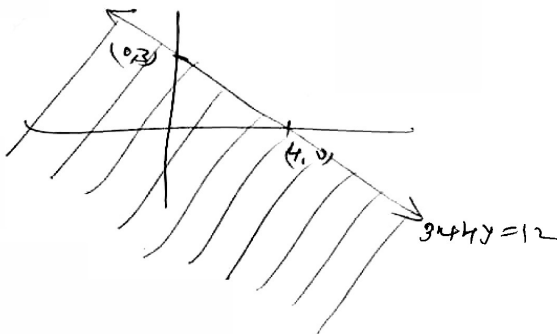


Sub $(0,0)$ $0 + 0 \geq 6$ false

(True origin side)

(3) $3x + 4y \leq 12$

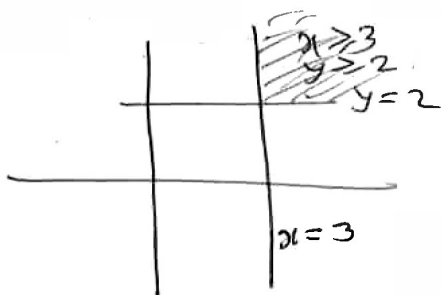
x	0	4
y	3	0



$(0,0)$ $0 + 0 \leq 12$ True

Ex 6.3 Solve graphically

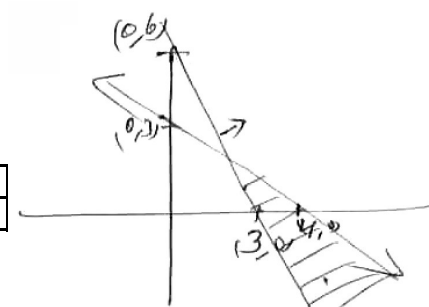
(1) $x \geq 3, y \geq 2$



$2x + y \geq 6, 3x + 4y \leq 12$

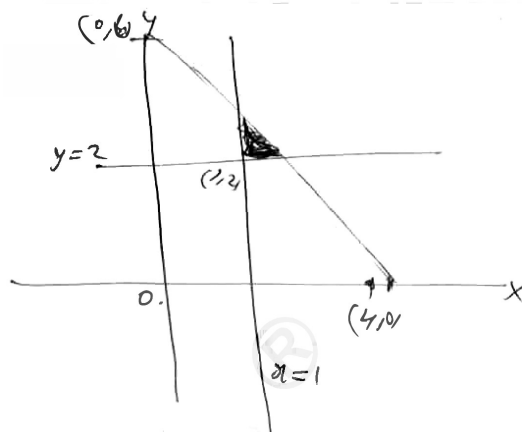
x	0	3
y	6	0

x	0	4
y	3	0



$0 + 0 \geq 6$ false

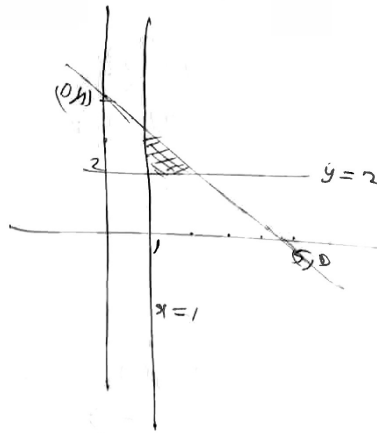
(2) $3x + 2y \leq 12, x \geq 1, y \geq 2$



x	0	4
y	6	0

(9) $5x + 4y \leq 20, x \geq 1, y \geq 2$

x	0	4
y	5	0



Miscellaneous 6

Solve

(1) $2 \leq 3x - 4 \leq 5$

$$6 \leq 3x \leq 9$$

$$2 \leq x \leq 3$$

(2) $6 \leq -3(2x - 4) < 12$

$$6 \leq -6x + 12 < 12$$

$$6 - 12 \leq -6x \leq 12 - 12$$

$$-6 \leq -6x \leq 0$$

$$1 \geq x \geq 0, x \in [0, 1]$$

(4) $-15 < \frac{3(x-2)}{5} \leq 0 \Rightarrow -75 < 3x - 6 \leq 0$

$$-69 < 3x \quad x > -23$$

(5) $-12 < 4 - \frac{3x}{-5} \leq 2 \Rightarrow -60 < 20 + 3x \leq 10$

$$-80 < 3x < -10 \quad \frac{-80}{3} < x < \frac{-10}{3}$$

(6) $-7 \leq \frac{3x+11}{2} \leq 11 \Rightarrow -14 \leq 3x+11 \leq 22$

$$-25 \leq 3x \leq 11 \Rightarrow \frac{-25}{3} \leq x \leq \frac{11}{3}$$

(7) $5x + 1 > -24$, $5x - 1 < 24$ graphically on a number line

$$\begin{aligned} 5x &> -25 & 5x < 25 \\ x &> -5 - (1) & x < 5 - (2) \end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2) $x \in (-5, \infty) \cap (-\infty, 5) x \in (-5, 5)$



(8) $2(x - 1) < x + 5$ $3(x + 2) > 2 - x$

$$\begin{aligned} 2x - 2 &< x + 5 & 3x + 6 &> 2 - x \\ x &< 7 & 4x &> -4 \\ & & x &> -1 \end{aligned}$$

$x \in (-\infty, 7) \cup (-1, \infty)$



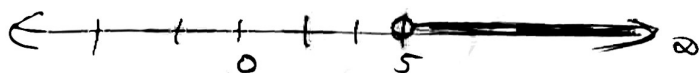
$x \in (-1, 7) x \in (-1, 7)$

(9) $3x - 7 > 2(x - 6)$ $6 - x > 11 - 2x$

$$\begin{aligned} 3x - 7 &> 2x - 12 & 6 - x &> 11 - 2x \\ x &> -5 - (1) & x &> 5 - (1) \end{aligned}$$

$x \in (-5, \infty) \cap (5, \infty)$

$x \in (+5, \infty)$



(10) $5(2x - 7) - 3(2x + 3) \leq 0$, $2x + 19 \leq 6x + 47$

$10x - 35 - 6x - 9 \leq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} 4x &\leq 44 & 19 - 47 &\leq 6x - 2x \\ x &\leq 11 - (1) & -28 &\leq 4x \end{aligned}$$

$x \in (-\infty, 11] \cup [-7, \infty)$ $x \geq -7$

$x \in [-7, 11]$



- (1) $|x| < a \Rightarrow -a < x < a$ or $x \in (-a, a)$ where $a \in \mathbb{R}$
- (2) $|x| \leq a \Rightarrow -a \leq x \leq a$ or $x \in [-a, a]$
- (3) $|x| > a \Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -a) \cup (a, \infty)$ or $(x < -a \text{ or } x > a)$
- (4) $|x| \geq a \Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, -a] \cup [a, \infty)$ or $(x \leq -a \text{ or } x \geq a)$
- (5) $(x-a)(x-b) < 0 \Rightarrow x \in (a, b)$ where $a < b, b \in \mathbb{R}$
- (6) $(x-a)(x-b) \leq 0 \Rightarrow x \in [a, b]$
- (7) $(x-a)(x-b) > 0 \Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, a) \cup (b, \infty)$
- (8) $(x-a)(x-b) \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \in (-\infty, a] \cup [b, \infty)$
- (9) $|x| = a \Rightarrow x = \pm a$
- (10) If a, b are +ve numbers then $A.M \geq G.M$ ie $\frac{a+b}{2} \geq \sqrt{ab}$
- (11) If $a < b$ then $\frac{1}{a} > \frac{1}{b}, -a > -b$

(12) If $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $b^2 - 4ac < 0$ then

(i) $a > 0 \Rightarrow ax^2 + bx + c > 0$ for all real $x \in \mathbb{R}$

(ii) $a < 0 \Rightarrow ax^2 + bx + c < 0$ for all real $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Partial fraction

$$\frac{1}{x(x+1)(x+2)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x+1} + \frac{C}{x+2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = A(x+1)(x+2) + Bx(x+2) + c(x+1)x$$

$$\text{Put } x = 0, 1 = 2A, A = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Put } x = -1, 1 = B(-1)(-1+2) \Rightarrow B = -1$$

$$\text{Put } x = -2, 1 = c(-2)(-2+1) = 2c, c = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{x(x+1)(x+2)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{x} - \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{x+2}$$

$$(1) \quad \frac{1}{x(x-1)(x-2)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x-1} + \frac{C}{x-2}$$

$$1 = A(x-1)(x-2) + B(x)(x-2) + C(x)(x-1)$$

$$\text{Put } x = 0, 1 = 2A, A = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Put } x = 1, 1 = B(1)(1-2) = -B, B = -1$$

$$\text{Put } x=2, 1 = C(2)(2-1) = 2C, C = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

LEVEL I

1. B Let $S = 1.3 + 2.3^2 + 3.3^3 + \dots + n.3^n \dots (1)$
 $3S = 1.3^2 + 2.3^3 + \dots + (n-1)3^n + n.3^{n+1} \dots (2)$
 $(1) - (2) \Rightarrow -2S = 3 + 3^2 + 3^3 + \dots + 3^n - n.3^{n+1}$

$$-2S = \frac{3(3^n - 1)}{3 - 1} - n.3^{n+1}$$
$$-2S = \frac{3^{n+1} - 3 - 2n.3^{n+1}}{2}; S = \frac{(2n-1)3^{n+1} + 3}{4}$$

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

$$t_n = \frac{1}{n(n+1)(n+2)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{n+2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{n+2} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{n^2 + 3n + 2 + 2n + 2 - 2n - 4}{2(n+1)(n+2)} \right) = \frac{1}{4} \frac{n(n+3)}{(n+1)(n+2)}$$

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

$$= \left(\frac{4}{1}\right) \left(\frac{9}{4}\right) \left(\frac{16}{9}\right) \dots \left(\frac{n^2 + 2n + 1}{n^2}\right)$$
$$= n^2 + 2n + 1 = (n+1)^2$$

4. B $|3 - 4x| \geq 9$

$$3 - 4x \leq -9, \quad 3 - 4x \geq 9$$

$$12 \leq 4x \quad -6 \geq 4x$$

$$x \geq 3 \quad x \leq \frac{-3}{2} \quad \text{Solution} \left(-\infty, \frac{-3}{2} \right] \cup [3, \infty)$$

5. A A.M \geq G.M

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2}{2} \geq \sqrt{a^2 b^2}, \frac{b^2 + c^2}{2} \geq \sqrt{b^2 c^2}, \frac{c^2 + a^2}{2} \geq \sqrt{a^2 c^2} \text{ adding}$$

$$\frac{2(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)}{2} \geq ab + bc + ca$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{2} \geq \frac{ab + bc + ca}{2}; \quad a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq ab + bc + ca$$

6. A $\frac{x+4}{x-3} - 2 < 0, \frac{x+4-2x+6}{x+3} < 0$

$$\frac{10-x}{x-3} < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{x-10}{x-3} > 0 \left(\frac{x-10}{x-3} \right)^{(x-3)^2 > 0 (x-3)^2}$$

$$(x-10)(x-3) > 0 \Rightarrow x < 3 \text{ or } x \geq 10$$

$$x \in (-\infty, 3) \cup (10, \infty)$$

7. D $5x + 2 < 3x + 8 \quad \frac{x+2}{x-1} < 4, \frac{x+2}{x-1} - 4 < 0$

$$2x < 6 \quad \frac{x+2-4x+4}{x-1} < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{6-3x}{x-1} < 0, \div (-3), \frac{x-2}{x-1} > 0$$

$$x < 3 \quad (x-2)(x-1) > 0 \quad x \in (-\infty, 1) \cup (2, \infty) \dots (2)$$

$$\text{Solution } (2, 3) \cup (-\infty, 1)$$

8. C $0 < |3x + 1| < \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow |3x + 1| < \frac{1}{3}$
- $$-\frac{1}{3} < 3x + 1 < \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{-4}{3} < 3x < \frac{-2}{3}$$
- $$\frac{-4}{9} < x < \frac{-2}{9} \quad x \in \left(\frac{-4}{9}, \frac{-2}{9} \right) - \left\{ -\frac{1}{3} \right\}$$
9. C $-3 \leq x - 1 \leq 3, \quad |x - 1| \geq 1$
- $$-2 \leq x \leq 4 \dots (1), \quad x - 1 \leq -1 \text{ or } x - 1 \geq 1$$
- $$x \in [-2, 4] \dots (1) \quad x \leq 0 \text{ or } x \geq 2$$
- $$x \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [2, \infty)$$
- $$x \in [-2, 0] \cup [2, 4]$$
10. D $\left| \frac{1}{x} - 2 \right| < 4, \Rightarrow -4 < \frac{1}{x} - 2 < 4 \Rightarrow -2 < \frac{1}{x} < 6$
- $$-\frac{1}{2} > x > \frac{1}{6}$$
- $$-\frac{1}{2} > x, \left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2} \right) \dots (1)$$
- $$x > \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{1}{6}, \infty \right) \dots (2) \quad \left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2} \right) \cup \left(\frac{1}{6}, \infty \right)$$

LEVEL II

11. B $\frac{1}{5}(n^5) + \frac{1}{3}(n^3) + \frac{7}{15}n = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{7}{15} = 1$
12. B Let $S(K) = 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2K - 1) = 3 + k^2$
- $$S(K) \Rightarrow S(K + 1)$$
13. D $p(n) = n^2 - n + 41$ is prime
- $$p(3) = 9 - 3 + 41 = 47 \text{ is prime}$$
- $$p(5) = 25 - 5 + 41 = 61 \text{ is prime}$$
14. C $2^{3n} - 7n - 1, n = 1 \quad 8 - 7 - 1 = 0$
- $$n = 2, \quad 64 - 14 - 1 = 49$$

15. D $n^3 + 2n = 3$
 $8 + 4 = 12$
16. C $10^n + 3(4^{n+2}) + 5 \Rightarrow 10 + 3(64) + 5 = 207 \div 9$
17. A $a^{2n-1} + b^{2n-1} = a + b$
18. C $\frac{mx^2 - x + 1}{x} \geq 0 \Rightarrow (mx^2 - x + 1)x \geq 0$ Assume x (+ve)
 $mx^2 - x + 1 \geq 0$
 Quadratic, $m > 0, b^2 - 4a < 0$
 $1 - 4m \leq 0, 1 \leq 4m \quad m \geq \frac{1}{4}$
 Thus minimum value of $m = \frac{1}{4}$
19. B $\frac{|x-2|-1}{|x-2|-2} \leq 0$ is put $|x-2| = k$
 $\frac{k-1}{k-2} 0 (k-1)(k-2) \leq 0 \quad k \in [1, 2]$

$$\begin{array}{l} |x-2| \leq 2 \\ |x-2| \geq 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} |x-2| \leq 2 \\ -2 \leq x-2 \leq 2 \end{array}$$

$$x-2 \leq -1, x-2 \geq 1 \quad 0 \leq x \leq 4. x \in [0, 4]$$

$$x \leq 1, x \geq 3$$

$$x \in (-\infty, 1] \cup [3, \infty) \quad x \in [0, 4]$$

$$x \in [0, 1] \cup [3, 4]$$
20. C $1 \leq |x-2| \leq 3 \quad |x-2| \leq 3, -3 \leq x-2 \leq 3 -1 \leq x \leq 5 [-1, 5] \dots (1)$
 $|x-2| \geq 1 \quad x-2 \leq -1 \text{ or } x-2 \geq 1$
 $x \leq 1 \text{ or } x \geq 3$
 $(-\infty, 1] \cup [3, \infty) \dots (2) \text{ from (1) and (2) } [-1, 1] \cup [3, 5]$

21. C $(x-1)(x^2-5x+7) < (x-1)$
 $(x-1)(x^2-5x+6) < 0$
 $(x-1)(x-2+6)(x-3) < 0 \quad 1, 2, 3$
 $(-\infty, 1) \cup (2, 3) \quad (-\infty \downarrow, 1), \uparrow (1, 2), (2, \downarrow 3), \uparrow (3, \infty)$

22. A $A_m \geq G_m$
 $\frac{bcx + cay + abz}{3} \geq (bcx \text{ } cay \text{ } abz)^{\frac{1}{3}}$
 $bcx + cay + abz \geq 3(b^2c^2a^2abc)^{\frac{1}{3}} \quad (xyz = abc \text{ given})$
 $\geq 3abc$

23. C Solution of the $\sin^4\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + \cos^4\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) > \frac{1}{2}$
 $\left(\sin^2\frac{x}{3} + \cos^2\frac{x}{3}\right)^2 - 2\sin^2\frac{x}{3}\cos^2\frac{x}{3} > \frac{1}{2}$
 $1 - \frac{1}{2}\left(2\sin\frac{x}{3}\cos\frac{x}{3}\right)^2 > \frac{1}{2}$
 $2 - \left(\sin^2\frac{2x}{3}\right) > 1$
 $1 - \sin^2\frac{2x}{3}$
 $\sin^2\frac{2x}{3} < 1 \Rightarrow \frac{2x}{3} \in \mathbb{R} - (2x+1)\frac{\pi}{2}; x \in \mathbb{R} - \frac{3}{2}(2x+1)\frac{\pi}{2}$
 $x \in \mathbb{R} - \frac{3}{2}(2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}$
 $x \in \mathbb{R} - \left(\frac{3n\pi}{2} + \frac{3\pi}{4}\right), n \in \mathbb{I}$

24. A

$$4x + 6 - 10 < 6x - 12$$

$$8 < 2x, x > 4, (4, \infty) \dots (1)$$

$$\frac{2x-3}{4} + 6 \geq 2 + \frac{4x}{3}$$

$$6x - 9 + 72 \geq 8 + 16x, 63 - 8 \geq 10x \Rightarrow \frac{55}{10} \geq x \left(-\infty, \frac{55}{10} \right) \text{ infinite}$$

$$\text{solution } \left(4, \frac{55}{10} \right]$$

25. A

$$\frac{\frac{b}{a} + \frac{c}{a} + \frac{c}{b} + \frac{a}{b} + \frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{c}}{6} \geq \left(\frac{b}{a} \frac{c}{a} \frac{c}{b} \frac{a}{b} \frac{a}{c} \frac{b}{c} \right)^{\frac{1}{6}} = 1$$

$$\frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b} + \frac{a+b}{c} \geq 6$$

26. A

$$\log_7 \left(\frac{x-2}{x-3} \right) < 0, \therefore 0 < \frac{x-2}{x-3} < 1$$

$$\frac{x-2}{x-3} < 1 \Rightarrow \frac{x-2}{x-3} - 1 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-2-x+3}{x-3} < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x-3} < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1(x-3)^2}{x-3} < 0$$

$$(x-3) < 0 \Rightarrow x < 3 \dots (1)$$

$$\frac{x-2}{x-3} > 0, \Rightarrow (x-2)(x-3) > 0$$

$$x \in (-\infty, 2) \cup (3, \infty) \dots (2)$$

$$\text{from (1) and (2) } x \in (-\infty, 2)$$

27. C

$$\left(\frac{5}{13} \right)^x + \left(\frac{12}{13} \right)^x \geq 1 \quad \frac{5}{13} = \sin \alpha, \frac{12}{13} = \cos \alpha$$

$$(\sin \alpha)^x + (\cos \alpha)^x \geq 1 \Rightarrow x = 2, \text{ it is true}$$

$$x < 2 \text{ also true}$$

$$\therefore \text{solution } (-\infty, 2], \quad x > 2 \text{ false}$$

28. $A.M \geq G.M., \frac{\frac{\cos^3 x}{\sin x} + \frac{\sin^3 x}{\cos x}}{2} \geq \sqrt{\frac{\sin^3 x \cos^3 x}{\sin x \cos x}}$

$$\frac{\cos^3 x}{\sin x} + \frac{\sin^3 x}{\cos x} \geq 2 \sin x \cos x$$

$$\frac{\cos^3 x}{\sin x} + \frac{\sin^3 x}{\cos x} \geq \sin 2x$$

$$\frac{\cos^3 x}{\sin x} + \frac{\sin^3 x}{\cos x} \geq 1 \because \sin 2x \leq 1$$

$$\therefore \text{minimum} = 1$$

29. C $n = 3 \quad 3! > 2^2 \text{ true}$

30. B $a_2, a_3, a_4, \dots, a_n \in (-\pi, \pi)$

$$0 \leq \sin^2 a_i \leq 1, a_i \in (-\pi, \pi) \text{ and } \sin a_i \neq 0$$

$$\text{when } \sin^2 a_2 = \sin^2 a_3 = \dots = \sin^2 a_n = 1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n = -\frac{\pi}{2} \text{ or } \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{LHS} = 2, 3, 4, \dots, n = n!$$

$$\text{RHS } n!; n! \leq n!$$

$$\text{When } \sin^2 a_2, \sin^2 a_3, \dots, \sin^2 a_n < 1$$

$$\text{then LHS} > n! \text{ (false)}$$

$$\therefore a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n = -\frac{\pi}{2} \text{ or } \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{Number of solution} = 2.2.2 \dots 2 = 2^{n-1}$$

