

# PRINCIPLE OF MATHEMATICAL INDUCTION

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

Sol<sup>n</sup>  $\rightarrow P(n) = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

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

$$L.H.S = 1$$

$$R.H.S = \frac{1(1+1)}{2} = 1$$

So, L.H.S = R.H.S for  $n=1$

It is true for  $n=1$

Let, It is true for  $n=k$ .

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

Suppose, it is also true for  $n=k+1$

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

Then from eq<sup>n</sup> (1) —

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

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

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

So, L.H.S = R.H.S.

Ques. Show by principle mathematical induction that the sum of first odd natural number is  $n^2$ .

Solution  $P(n) = 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + 2n-1 = n^2$

$$P(1) = 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + 2(1)-1 = (1)^2$$

$$P(1) = 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + 1 = 1$$

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L.H.S = R.H.S

It is true for n=1.

Let, It is true for n=k.

P(k) = 1 + 3 + 5 + ... + 2k-1 = k^2 — (1)

Suppose, it is also true for n=k+1

P(k+1) = 1 + 3 + 5 + ... + 2k-1 + 2k+2-1 = (k+1)^2

P(k+1) = 1 + 3 + 5 + ... + 2k-1 + 2k+1 = (k+1)^2

from eqn (1)

(k^2 + 2k + 1) = (k+1)^2

(k+1)^2 = (k+1)^2

So, it is also true for k+1.

Prove by Mathematical Induction that —

1/1.2 + 1/2.3 + 1/3.4 + ... + 1/n(n+1) = n/n+1

Solution -> P(n) = 1/1.2 + 1/2.3 + 1/3.4 + ... + 1/n(n+1) = n/n+1

P(1) = 1/1.2 + 1/2.3 + 1/3.4 + ... + 1/1(1+1) = 1/1+1

P(1) = 1/1.2 + 1/2.3 + 1/3.4 + ... + 1/2 = 1/2

P(k) = 1/1.2 + 1/2.3 + 1/3.4 + ... + 1/k(k+1) = k/k+1 — (1)

P(k+1) = 1/1.2 + 1/2.3 + 1/3.4 + ... + 1/k(k+1)(k+2) = (k+1)/k+2

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Then, from eq<sup>n</sup> (1)

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

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

$$\rightarrow \dots \frac{k^2+2k+1}{k+1}$$

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

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

$$\rightarrow \dots \frac{1}{k+1} \left[ \frac{k^2+2k+1}{k+2} \right] = \frac{k+1}{k+2}$$

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

$$\rightarrow \dots \frac{k+1}{k+2} = \frac{k+1}{k+2}$$

So, LHS = RHS

Ques. Prove by Mathematical Induction

$10^n + 3 \cdot 4^{n+2} + 5$  is divisible by 9

Sol<sup>n</sup>  $\rightarrow 10^n + 3 \cdot 4^{n+2} + 5 = 9a$

put,  $n=1$

$$10 + 3 \cdot 4^3 + 5 = 9 \times 23 = 207$$

it is divisible by 9.

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$P(n)$  is divisible by  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

Let us see if true for  $n=k$

$$P(k) = 10^k + 3 \cdot 4^{k+2} + 5 = 9a$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \cdot 4^{k+2} = 9a - 10^k - 5$$

now we have prove  $n=k+1$

$$P(k+1) = 10^{k+1} + 3 \cdot 4^{(k+1)+2} + 5 = 9a$$

$$10^{k+1} + 3 \cdot 4^{(k+3)} + 5 = 9a$$

$$10^{k+1} + 3 \cdot 4^{(k+2)} \cdot 4 + 5 = 9a$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^k \cdot 10 + 4(9a - 10^k - 5) + 5 = 9a$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^k \cdot 10 + 36a - 4 \cdot 10^k - 20 + 5 = 9a$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^k(10 - 4) + 36a - 15 = 9a$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^k \cdot 6 + 36a - 15 = 9a$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 \left[ \frac{2}{3} \cdot 10^k + 4a - \frac{5}{3} \right] = 9a$$

$$\text{L.H.S} = \text{R.H.S}$$