



MATHS

BOOKS - MBD MATHS (ODIA ENGLISH)

PRINCIPLES OF MATHEMATICAL INDUCTION

Question Bank

1. Prove the following by induction.

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = n(n + 1) / 2$$

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2. Prove the following by induction.

$$1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 = n(n + 1)(2n + 1) / 6$$



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3. Prove the following by induction.

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



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4. $5^n - 1$ is divisible by 4.



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5. $7^{2n} + 2^{3n-3}3^{n-1}$ is divisible by 25 for any natural number $n > 1$.



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6. $7 \cdot 5^{2n-1} + 2^{3n+1}$ is divisible by 17 for every natural $n \geq 1$.



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7. $4^{n+1} + 15n + 14$ is divisible by 9 for every natural number $n \geq 0$

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8. $3^{2(n-1)} + 7$ is divisible by 8 for every natural $n \geq 2$.



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9. $5^{2(n-4)} - 6n + 32$ is divisible by 9 for every natural number $n \geq 5$.



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10.
$$\frac{1}{1.2} + \frac{1}{2.3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}$$



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$$11. 1.3 + 2.4 + 3.5 + \dots + n(n + 2) = \frac{n(n + 1)(2n + 7)}{6}$$



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12.

$$x^n - y^n = (x - y)(x^{n-1} + x^{n-2}y + \dots + xy^{n-2} + y^{n-1}), x, y \in R$$



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$$13. 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2n - 1) = n^2$$



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$$14. 2^n > n, n \text{ is a natural number.}$$



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15. $(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots n)^3 > 8(1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3)$, for $n > 3$



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16. $\frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{3n+1} > 1$ for every positive integer n .



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