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MATHEMATICAL INDUCTION

Illustrative Examples

1. If $P(n)$ is the statement $n(n + 1)(n + 2)$ is divisible is 12 prove that the statements $P(3)$ and $P(4)$ are true, but that $P(5)$ is not true.

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2. If $P(n)$ is the statement $2^n \geq 3n$, and if $P(r)$ is true, prove that $P(r + 1)$ is true.

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Questions From Ncert Exemplar

1. Prove the following by the principle of mathematical induction:

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{2^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{4^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right) = \frac{n+1}{2n} \quad \text{or all natural}$$

numbers $n \geq 2$.

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2. Show by the Principle of Mathematical induction that the sum S_n , of the n terms of the series

$1^2 + 2 \times 2^2 + 3^2 + 2 \times 4^2 + 5^2 + 2 \times 6^2 + 7^2 + \dots$ is given by

$$S_n = \begin{cases} \frac{n(n+1)^2}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even, then} \\ \frac{n^2(n+1)}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

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Frequently Asked Questions Example

1. Let $P(n)$ be the statement :

" $n^2 + n$ is even"

Prove that $P(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ by Mathematical Induction

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2. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove that $n < 2^n$ for all

$n \in \mathbb{N}$

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3. By Principle of Mathematical Induction, prove that :

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

$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n + 1)(2n + 1) \text{ for each given } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

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4. For all $n \geq 1$, prove that

$$\frac{1}{1.2} + \frac{1}{2.3} + \frac{1}{3.4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}$$

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5. Prove the following by using the Principle of mathematical induction

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

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

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6. For every positive integer n , prove that $7^n - 3^n$ is divisible by 4.

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7. Prove by the principle of mathematical induction that

$$n(n+1)(2n+1) \text{ is divisible by } 6 \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$



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8. Prove by induction that the sum of the cubes of three consecutive natural numbers is divisible by 9.



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9. Prove by the principle of mathematical induction that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, 3^{2n} when divided by 8, the remainder is always 1.



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10. Prove the rule of exponents $(ab)^n = a^n b^n$ by using principle of mathematical induction for every natural number.



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11. Prove that, $\sin \theta + \sin 2\theta + \sin 3\theta + \dots + \sin n\theta = \frac{\frac{\sin n\theta}{2} \sin \frac{n+1}{2}\theta}{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}$ for

all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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12. Using principle of mathematical induction prove that

$$\cos \alpha \cos 2\alpha \cos 4\alpha \cos (2^{n-1}\alpha) = \frac{\sin \alpha}{2^n \sin \frac{\alpha}{2^n}}$$

or all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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13. Prove by the principle of mathematical induction that

$$\frac{n^5}{5} + \frac{n^3}{3} + \frac{7n}{15}$$

is a natural number for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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14. For the proposition $P(n)$, given by,

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

prove that $P(k)$ is true implies

$P(k + 1)$ is true. But, $P(n)$ is not true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$



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Exercise 4 A Short Answer Type Questions

1. If $P(n)$ is the statement $n^2 > 100$, prove that whenever $P(r)$ is true, $P(r + 1)$ is also true.



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2. Let $P(n)$ be the statement: $2^n \geq 3n$. If $P(r)$ is true, show that $P(r + 1)$ is true. Do you conclude that $P(n)$ is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$



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3. If $P(n)$ is the statement $2^{3n} - 1$ is an integral multiple of 7, and if $P(r)$ is true, prove that $P(r + 1)$ is true.



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4. Given an example of a statement $P(n)$ which is true for all $n \geq 4$ but $P(1)$, $P(2)$ and $P(3)$ are not true. Justify your answer.



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5. If $P(n)$ is the statement : $C_r \leq n!$ for $1 \leq r \leq n$ then:

(i) find $P(n + 1)$

(ii) show that $P(3)$ is true



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Exercise 4 B Short Answer Type Questions

1. Give an example of a statement $P(n)$ such that $P(3)$ is true, but $P(4)$ is not true.





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2. Prove that the Principle of Mathematical Induction does not apply to the following:

(i) $P(n) : n^3 + n$ is divisible by 3"

(ii) $P(n) : n^3 \leq 100$



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Exercise 4 B Long Answer Type Questions I

1. The n th term of an A.P. whose first term is 'a' and common difference d is $a + (n - 1)d$. Prove by PMI.



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2. Prove by PMI that

$$1.2 + 2.3 + 3.4 + \dots + n(n + 1) = \frac{(n)(n + 1)(n + 2)}{3}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$



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



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4. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$: $a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$



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5. The statement $x^n - y^n$ is divisible by $(x-y)$ where n is a positive integer is



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6. For every positive integer n , prove that $7^n - 3^n$ is divisible by 4.



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7. Prove the following by using the Principle of mathematical induction

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$4^n + 15n - 1$ is divisible by 9.



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8. Using mathematical induction prove that $n^2 - n + 41$ is prime.



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9. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove each of the following for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$3^n \geq 2^n$$



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Exercise 4 B Long Answer Type Questions li

1. Show that $n^3 + (n + 1)^3 + (n + 2)^3$ is divisible 9 for every natural number n .

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2. Prove that $(1 + x)^n \geq (1 + nx)$, for all natural number n , where $x \geq 1$.

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3. If $P(n)$ is the statement $n^2 - n + 41$ is prime. Prove that $P(1)$, $P(2)$ and $P(3)$ are true. Prove also that $P(41)$ is not true.

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4. If n straight lines be drawn in a plane, no two of them being parallel and no three of them being concurrent, how many points of intersection will be there ?

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Objective Type Questions Questions From Ncert Exemplar

1. Let $P(n) : 2^n < (1 \times 2 \times 3 \times \dots \times n)$. Then the smallest positive integer for which $P(n)$ is true is 1 b. 2 c. 3 d. 4

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

Answer: D

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2. A student was asked to prove a statement $P(n)$ by induction. He proved that $P(k + 1)$ is true whenever $P(k)$ is true for all $k > 5 \in \mathbb{N}$ and also that $P(n)$ is true. On the basis of this he could conclude that $P(n)$ is true :

A. for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

B. for all $n > 5$

C. for all $n \geq 5$

D. for all $n < 5$

Answer: C

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3. If $10^n + 3 \times 4^{n+2} + \lambda$ is divisible by 9 or all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then the least positive integral value of λ is 5 b. 3 c. 7 d. 1

A. 5

B. 3

C. 7

D. 1

Answer: A



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4. For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $3 \cdot 5^{2n+1} + 2^{3n+1}$ is divisible by-

A. 19

B. 17

C. 23

D. 25

Answer: B



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5. If $x^n - 1$ is divisible by $x - k$ then the least positive integral value of k is

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

Answer: A



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Objective Type Questions For Board Examinations

1. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $3^{2n} - 1$ is divisible by

A. 8

B. 16

C. 32

D. None of these.

Answer: A

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2. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $2^{3n} - 1$ is divisible by

A. 7

B. 8

C. 16

D. 32

Answer: A

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3. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $3 \cdot (5^{2n+1}) + 2^{3n+1}$ is divisible by

A. 17

B. 19

C. 21

D. 23

Answer: A



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4. For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $4^n - 3n - 1$ is divisible by

A. 3

B. 8

C. 9

D. 27

Answer: C



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5. For each n in \mathbb{N} , $49^n + 16n - 1$ is divisible by :

A. 3

B. 19

C. 29

D. 64

Answer: D



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6. For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n^3 + 2n$ is divisible by

A. 2

B. 3

C. 5

D. 6

Answer: B



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7. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n(n + 1)(2n + 1)$ is divisible by

A. 6

B. 7

C. 8

D. 15

Answer: A



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8. For all positive integers $\{x(x^{n-1} - n \cdot a^{n-1} + a^n(n-1))\}$ is divisible by

A. $n > 1$

B. $n > 2$

C. all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

D. None of these.

Answer: C



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9. If a, b and n are natural numbers then $a^{2n-1} + b^{2n-1}$ is divisible by

A. $a + b$

B. $(a + b)^2$

C. $a^3 + b^3$

D. None of these.

Answer: A



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10. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the greatest positive integer which divides $(n + 1)(n + 2)(n + 3)$ is :

A. 2

B. 6

C. 24

D. 120

Answer: B



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11. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ the greatest positive integer which divides $(n + 1)(n + 2)(n + 3)\dots(n + r)$ is :

A. r

B. $r!$

C. $(r + 1)!$

D. $n + r$

Answer: B



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12. The inequality $n! > 2^{n-1}$ is true

A. all n

B. no n

C. all $n > 1$

D. all $n > 2$

Answer: C



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13. The inequality $2^n < n!$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is true for :

- A. all n
- B. all $n > 1$
- C. all $n > 2$
- D. all $n > 3$

Answer: D



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14. The statement $n! > 2^{n-1}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is true for

- A. all $n > 1$
- B. all $n \in \mathbb{N}$
- C. all $n > 2$

D. all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Answer: B



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15. Let $S(k) = 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2k - 1) = 3 + k^2$. Then which of the following is true ? (A) $S(1)$ is correct (B) $S(k)=S(k+1)$ (C) $S(k) \neq S(k + 1)$ (D) Principle of mathematical induction can be used to prove the formula

A. $S(1)$ is correct

B. $S(k) \Rightarrow S(k - 1)$

C. $S(k) \Rightarrow S(k + 1)$

D. principle of Mathematical Induction can be used to prove the formula.

Answer: C



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Objective Type Questions Fill In The Blanks

1. Let $P(n)$ be the statement $n(n + 1)$ is even, then $P(4) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

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2. Let $P(n)$ be the statement $3^n > n$. If $P(n)$ is true, $P(n + 1)$ is also true.

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3. Let $P(n)$ be the statement $C_r \leq n!$ for $1 \leq r \leq n$ then $P(n + 1) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

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4. By Principle of Mathematical Induction $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$



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5. By Principle of Mathematical Induction :

n th term of A.P. whose first term is 'a' and common difference is 'd' is



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Objective Type Questions True False Questions

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2. Let $P(n)$ be the statement $2^{3n} - 1$ is integral multiple of 7. Then $P(3)$ is true.

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3. If $P(n)$ is the statement $n^3 + n$ is divisible 3 is the statement $P(3)$ true ? Is the statement $P(4)$ true?

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4. Let $P(n)$ be the statement $2^n \geq n$. When $P(r)$ is true, then is it true that $P(r + 1)$ is also true ?

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5. Let $P(n)$ be the statement $(n - 4)$ is a whole number. Then $P(3)$ true

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Objective Type Questions Very Short Answer Type Questions

1. Let $P(n)$ be the statement. " $P(n) = 16n + 3$ is prime. Is $P(3)$ true ?



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2. If $P(n)$ is the statement $2^n \geq 3n$, and if $P(r)$ is true, prove that $P(r + 1)$ is true.



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3. If $P(n)$ is the statement $n^3 + n$ is divisible 3 is the statement $P(3)$ true ? Is the statement $P(4)$ true?



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4. Let $P(n)$ be the statement. " 2^{3n-1} is integral multiple of 7". Then, $P(1)$, $P(2)$ and $P(3)$ are true ?



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5. Prove the following by the principle of mathematical induction:

$$(ab)^n = a^n b^n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

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1. Prove the following by the principle of mathematical induction:

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

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

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$$3. 1 + \frac{1}{1+2} + \frac{1}{1+2+3} + \frac{1}{1+2+3+n} = \frac{2n}{n+1}$$



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4. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

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



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5. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

$$\text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}: 1 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 3^2 + 3 \cdot 3^3 + \dots + n \cdot 3^n = \frac{(2n-1)3^{n+1} + 3}{4}$$



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6. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

$$\text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}: 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 4 + \dots + n(n+1) = \left[\frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3} \right]$$



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7. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$1 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 5 + 5 \cdot 7 + \dots + (2n-1)(2n+1) = \frac{n(4n^2 + 6n - 1)}{3}$$



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8. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

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



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9. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

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



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10. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$\frac{1}{2 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 8} + \frac{1}{8 \cdot 11} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-1)(3n+2)} = \frac{n}{(6n+4)}$$

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11. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)(n+2)} = \frac{n(n+3)}{4(n+1)(n+2)}$$

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12. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$: $a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$

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13. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

$$\text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}: \left(1 + \frac{3}{1}\right) \left(1 + \frac{5}{4}\right) \left(1 + \frac{7}{9}\right) \dots \left(1 + \frac{2n+1}{n^2}\right) = (n+1)^2$$

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14. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

$$\text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}: \left(1 + \frac{1}{1}\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{3}\right) \dots \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) = (n+1)$$

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15. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

$$\text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}: 1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2n-1)^2 = \frac{n(2n-1)(2n+1)}{3}$$

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16. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 7} + \frac{1}{7 \cdot 10} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-1)(3n+1)} = \frac{n}{(3n+1)}.$$

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17. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$\frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} + \frac{1}{7 \cdot 9} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} = \frac{n}{3(2n+3)}.$$

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18. Prove that $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + N < \frac{1}{8}(2n+1)^2$

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

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20. Show that $10^{2n-1} + 1$ is divisible by 11 for all natural numbers n .

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

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

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

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24. Prove by mathematical induction that, $2n + 7 < (n + 3)^2$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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Exercise

1. $4^n - 1$ is divisible by 3, for each natural number n .

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2. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove that $(2^{3n} - 1)$ is divisible by 7 for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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3. $3^{2n} - 1$ is divisible by 8, for all natural numbers n .

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4. $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 6, for each natural numbers $n \geq 2$

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5. $n(n^2 + 5)$ is divisible by 6, for each natural number n .

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6. $n^2 < 2^n$, for all natural number $n \leq 5$.

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7. For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$

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8. $1 + 5 + 9 + \dots + (4n - 3) = n(2n - 1)$ for all natural numbers n

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9. A sequence b_0, b_1, b_2, \dots is defined by letting $b_0 = 5$ and $b_k = 4 + b_{k-1}$, for all natural number k . Show that $b_n = 5 + 4n$, for all natural number n using mathematical induction.

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10. Using induction, prove that

$$\cos \theta \cdot \cos 2\theta \cdot \cos 2^2\theta \cdot \dots \cdot \cos 2^{n-1}\theta = \frac{\sin 2^n \theta}{2^n \sin \theta}$$

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Revision Exercise

1. Prove, by Induction, that $2^n < n!$ for all $n \geq 4$

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2. The number of all possible subsets of a set containing n elements ?

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3. Let $P(n)$ denote the statement:

$2^n \geq n!$. Show that $P(1), P(2), P(3)$ are true but $P(4)$ is not true.

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4. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$: $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$

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5. Using mathematical induction prove that

$$x + 4x + 7x + \dots + (3n - 2)x = \frac{1}{2}n(3n - 1)x$$

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6. Prove by PMI that

$$1.2 + 2.3 + 3.4 + \dots + n(n + 1) = \frac{(n)(n + 1)(n + 2)}{3}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

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$$7.1. 2.3 + 2. 3.4 + \dots + n(n + 1)(n + 2) = \frac{n(n + 1)(n + 2)(n + 3)}{4}$$

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8. Prove the following by the principle of mathematical induction:

$$7 + 77 + 777 + \dots + \underbrace{777\dots7}_{n \text{ digits}} = \frac{7}{81}(10^{n+1} - 9n - 10) \text{ for}$$

all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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9. Prove by the principle of mathematical induction, that

$$1.1! + 2.2! + 3.3! + \dots + (n. n!) = n(n+1) - 1 \text{ for all natural number } n (n \neq 1)$$

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10. Prove that for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $10^n + 3 \cdot 4^{n+2} + 5$ is divisible by 9.

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11. By Mathematical Induction, prove the following:

(i) $(4^n + 15n - 1)$ is divisible by 9,

(ii) $(12^n + 25^{n-1})$ is divisible by 13

(iii) $11^{(n+2)} + 12^{(2n+1)}$ is divisible by 133 for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

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12. For all positive integer n , prove that $\frac{n^7}{7} + \frac{n^5}{5} + \frac{2}{3}n^3 - \frac{n}{105}$ is an integer

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13. Let $U_1 = 1$, $U_2 = 1$ and $U_{n+2} = U_{n+1} + U_n f$ or $n \geq 1$. use mathematical induction to show that:

$$U_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n - \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n \right\} f \text{ or } \text{all } n \geq 1.$$

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14. Using the principle of Mathematical Induction, prove that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, 4^n - 3n - 1$ is divisible by 9.

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Check Your Understanding

1. Does the Principle of Mathematical Induction' apply to :

$$P(n) : n^3 > 100 ?$$

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4. Let $P(n)$ be the statement : $10n + 3$ is prime. Is $P(3)$ true ?

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5. Let $P(n)$ be the statement : $2^n > 1$. Is $P(1)$ true ?

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6. If $P(n)$ is the statement: $n(n + 1)$ is even, then what is $P(4)$?

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7. If $P(n)$ is the statement $n^3 + n$ is divisible 3 is the statement $P(3)$ true ? Is the statement $P(4)$ true?

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8. Let $P(n)$ be the statement : $n^2 + n$ is even Is $P(n)$ true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$?

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9. Let $P(n)$ be the statement: $C_r \leq n!$ for $1 \leq r \leq n$

Is $P(3)$ true ?

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10. Prove by induction that : $2^n > n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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1. For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $3 \cdot 5^{2n+1} + 2^{3n+1}$ is divisible by-

A. 19

B. 17

C. 23

D. 25

Answer: B



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2. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n(n + 1)(2n + 1)$ is divisible by

A. 6

B. 7

C. 8

Answer: A

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3. If $P(n)$ is the statement $2^{3n} - 1$ is an integral multiple of 7, and if $P(r)$ is true, prove that $P(r + 1)$ is true.

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4. Let $P(n)$ be the statement :

$$3^n > n$$

What is $P(n + 1)$?

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5. Given an example of a statement $P(n)$ which is true for all $n \geq 4$ but $P(1)$, $P(2)$ and $P(3)$ are not true. Justify your answer.

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6. Prove by the principle of mathematical induction that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1)$$

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7. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

$$\text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}: 1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2n-1)^2 = \frac{n(2n-1)(2n+1)}{3}$$

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8. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

$$\text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}: a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$$



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9. If n is a positive integer, show that $4^n - 3n - 1$ is divisible by 9



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10. Prove that $2n + 1 < 2^n$ for all natural numbers $n \geq 3$



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11. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)(n+2)} = \frac{n(n+3)}{4(n+1)(n+2)}$$



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12. Prove by the principle of mathematical induction that

$\frac{n^5}{5} + \frac{n^3}{3} + \frac{7n}{15}$ is a natural number for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.



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