

NCERT Solutions for Class-XI Maths

Chapter-4 Exercise-4.1 NCERT Math Class 11

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

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

1. Let the given statement be $P(n)$, i.e.,

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

For $n = 1$, we have

$$P(1) := \frac{(3^1 - 1)}{2} = \frac{3 - 1}{2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1, \text{ which is true.}$$

Let $P(k)$ be true for some positive integer k , i.e.,

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

We shall now prove that $P(k+1)$ is true.

Consider

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Using (i)

Thus, $P(k+1)$ is true whenever $P(k)$ is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers i.e., N .

2. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

2. m Let the given statement be $P(n)$, as

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

First, we check if it is true for $n = 1$,

$$P(1): 1^3 = 1 = \left(\frac{1(1+1)}{2} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{2}{2} \right)^2 = 1^2 = 1$$

\therefore It is true for $n = 1$.

Now we assume that it is true for some positive integer k , such that

$$P(k): 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 \dots + k^3 = \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right)^2 \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

We shall prove that $P(k + 1)$ is true,

Solving the left hand side with $n = k + 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 \dots + k^3 + (k+1)^3 \\ & \Rightarrow \left(\frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right)^2 + (k+1)^3 \\ & \Rightarrow \frac{k^2(k+1)^2}{4} + (k+1)^3 \\ & \Rightarrow (k+1)^2 \left(\frac{k^2}{4} + (k+1) \right) \\ & \Rightarrow (k+1)^2 \left(\frac{k^2 + 4k + 4}{4} \right) \\ & \Rightarrow (k+1)^2 \left(\frac{(k+2)^2}{4} \right) \\ & \Rightarrow \left(\frac{\{(k+1)+1\}(k+1)}{2} \right)^2 \quad [\text{As } k + 2 = (k + 1) + 1] \end{aligned}$$

Which is equal to the Right hand side for $n = k + 1$. We proved that $P(k + 1)$ is true. Hence by principle of mathematical induction it is true for all $n \in N$.

3. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

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

3. Let the given statement be $P(n)$, i.e.,

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

For $n=1$, we have

$$P(1): 1 = \frac{2 \cdot 1}{1+1} = \frac{2}{2} = 1, \text{ which is true.}$$

Let $P(k)$ be true for some positive integer k , i.e.,

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

We shall now prove that $P(k+1)$ is true.

Consider

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

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

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

[Using (i)]

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Thus, $P(k+1)$ is true whenever $P(k)$ is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers i.e., \mathbb{N} .

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

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

4. Let the given statement be $P(n)$, as

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

First, we check if it is true for $n = 1$,

$$P(1): 1.2.3 = 6 = \frac{1(2)(3)(4)}{4} = 6;$$

\therefore It is true for $n = 1$.

Now we assume that it is true for some positive integer k , such that

$$P(k): 1.2.3 + 2.3.4 + \dots + k(k+1)(k+2) = \frac{k(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)}{4} \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

We shall prove that $P(k+1)$ is true,

Solving the left hand side with $n = k+1$

$$1.2.3 + 2.3.4 + \dots + k(k+1)(k+2) + (k+1)(k+1+1)(k+2+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow [1.2.3 + 2.3.4 + \dots + k(k+1)(k+2)] + (k+1)(k+2)(k+3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{k(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)}{4} \right] + (k+1)(k+2)(k+3) \text{ [From equation (1)]}$$

$$\Rightarrow (k+1)(k+2)(k+3) \left[\frac{k}{4} + 1 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)(k+4)}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(k+1)(k+1+1)(k+1+2)(k+1+3)}{4}$$

Which is equal to the Right hand side for $n = k+1$. We proved that $P(k+1)$ is true.

Hence by principle of mathematical induction it is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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

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

5. Let the given statement be $P(n)$, i.e.,

$$P(n): 1.3 + 2.3^2 + 3.3^3 + \dots + n3^n = \frac{(2n-1)3^{n+1} + 3}{4}$$

For $n=1$, we have

$$P(1): 1.3 = 3 = \frac{(2.1-1)3^{1+1} + 3}{4} = \frac{3^2 + 3}{4} = \frac{12}{4} = 3, \text{ which is true.}$$

Let $P(k)$ be true for some positive integer k , i.e.,

$$1.3 + 2.3^2 + 3.3^3 + \dots + k3^k = \frac{(2k-1)3^{k+1} + 3}{4}$$

We shall now prove that $P(k+1)$ is true.

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} & 1.3 + 2.3^2 + 3.3^3 + \dots + k.3^k + (k+1).3^{k+1} \\ &= (1.3 + 2.3^2 + 3.3^3 + \dots + k.3^k) + (k+1).3^{k+1} \\ &= \frac{(2k-1)3^{k+1} + 3}{4} + (k+1)3^{k+1} \\ &= \frac{(2k-1)3^{k+1} + 3 + 4(k+1)3^{k+1}}{4} \\ &= \frac{3^{k+1} \{2k-1+4(k+1)\} + 3}{4} \\ &= \frac{3^{k+1} \{6k+3\} + 3}{4} \\ &= \frac{3^{k+1} \cdot 3 \{2k+1\} + 3}{4} \\ &= \frac{3^{(k+1)+1} \{2k+1\} + 3}{4} \\ &= \frac{\{2(k+1)-1\} 3^{(k+1)+1} + 3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $P(k+1)$ is true whenever $P(k)$ is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers i.e., N .

6. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

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

6. Let the given statement be $P(n)$, as

$$P(n): 1.2 + 2.3 + \dots + n(n+1) = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3}$$

First, we check if it is true for $n = 1$,

$$P(1): 1.2 = 2 = \frac{1(2)(3)}{3} = 2;$$

\therefore It is true for $n = 1$.

Now we assume that it is true for some positive integer k , such that

$$P(k): 1.2 + 2.3 + \dots + k(k+1) = \frac{k(k+1)(k+2)}{3} \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

We shall prove that $P(k + 1)$ is true,

Solving the left hand side with $n = k + 1$

$$1.2 + 2.3 + \dots + k(k+1) + (k+1)(k+1+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow [1.2 + 2.3 + \dots + k(k+1)] + (k+1)(k+2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{k(k+1)(k+2)}{3} \right] + (k+1)(k+2) \text{ [From equation (1)]}$$

$$\Rightarrow (k+1)(k+2) \left[\frac{k}{3} + 1 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(k+1)(k+2)(k+3)}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(k+1)(k+1+1)(k+1+2)}{3}$$

Which is equal to the Right hand side for $n = k + 1$. We proved that $P(k + 1)$ is true.

Hence by principle of mathematical induction it is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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

$$1.3 + 3.5 + 5.7 + \dots + (2n-1)(2n+1) = \frac{n(4n^2 + 6n - 1)}{3}$$

7. Let the given statement be $P(n)$, i.e.,

$$P(n): 1.3 + 3.5 + 5.7 + \dots + (2n-1)(2n+1) = \frac{n(4n^2 + 6n - 1)}{3}$$

For $n = 1$, we have

$$P(1): 1.3 = 3 = \frac{1(4 \cdot 1^2 + 6 \cdot 1 - 1)}{3} = \frac{4 + 6 - 1}{3} = \frac{9}{3} = 3, \text{ which is true.}$$

Let $P(k)$ be true for some positive integer k , i.e.,

$$1.3 + 3.5 + 5.7 + \dots + (2k-1)(2k+1) = \frac{k(4k^2 + 6k - 1)}{3}$$

We shall now prove that $P(k+1)$ is true.

Consider

$$(1.3 + 3.5 + 5.7 + \dots + (2k-1)(2k+1) + \{2(k+1)-1\}\{2(k+1)+1\})$$

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

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

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

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

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

$$= \frac{4k^3 + 18k^2 + 23k + 9}{3}$$

$$= \frac{4k^3 + 14k^2 + 9k + 4k^2 + 14k + 9}{3}$$

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

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

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

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

Thus, $P(k+1)$ is true whenever $P(k)$ is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers i.e., N .

8. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:
8. Let the given statement be $P(n)$, as

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

First, we check if it is true for $n = 1$,

$$P(1): 1.2 = 2 = (1-1)2^{1+1} + 2 = 0 + 2 = 2;$$

\therefore It is true for $n = 1$.

Now we assume that it is true for some positive integer k , such that

$$P(k): 1.2 + 2.2^2 + \dots + k.2^k = (k-1)2^{k+1} + 2 \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

We shall prove that $P(k+1)$ is true,

Solving the left hand side with $n = k + 1$

$$1.2 + 2.2^2 + \dots + k.2^k + (k+1)2^{k+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow [1.2 + 2.2^2 + \dots + k.2^k] + (k+1)2^{k+1}$$

[From equation (1)]

$$\Rightarrow (k-1)2^{k+1} + 2 + (k+1)2^{k+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2k)2^{k+1} + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (k)2^{k+2} + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow ((k+1)-1)2^{(k+1)+1} + 2$$

Which is equal to the Right hand side for $n = k + 1$. We proved that $P(k+1)$ is true.

Hence by principle of mathematical induction it is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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

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

9. Let the given statement be $P(n)$, i.e.,

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

For $n = 1$, we have

$$P(1): \frac{1}{2} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^1} = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ which is true.}$$

Let $P(k)$ be true for some positive integer k , i.e.,

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

We shall now prove that $P(k+1)$ is true.

Consider

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^k} \right) + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^k}\right) + \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \\
&= 1 - \frac{1}{2^k} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2^k} \\
&= 1 - \frac{1}{2^k} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \\
&= 1 - \frac{1}{2^k} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\
&= 1 - \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}
\end{aligned}$$

[Using (i)]

Thus, $P(k+1)$ is true whenever $P(k)$ is true.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, statement $P(n)$ is true for all natural numbers i.e., N .

10. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all $n \in N$:

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

10. Let the given statement be $P(n)$, as

$$P(n): \frac{1}{2.5} + \frac{1}{5.8} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-1)(3n+2)} = \frac{n}{(6n+4)}$$

First, we check if it is true for $n = 1$,

$$P(1): \frac{1}{2.5} = \frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{(6+4)} = \frac{1}{10};$$

\therefore It is true for $n = 1$.

Now we assume that it is true for some positive integer k , such that

$$P(k): \frac{1}{2.5} + \frac{1}{5.8} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3k-1)(3k+2)} = \frac{k}{(6k+4)} \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

We shall prove that $P(k+1)$ is true,

Solving the left hand side with $n = k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{1}{2.5} + \frac{1}{5.8} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3k-1)(3k+2)} + \frac{1}{(3k+2)(3k+5)} \\
&\Rightarrow \left[\frac{1}{2.5} + \frac{1}{5.8} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3k-1)(3k+2)} \right] + \frac{1}{(3k+2)(3k+5)} \quad [\text{From equation (1)}] \\
&\Rightarrow \frac{k}{(6k+4)} + \frac{1}{(3k+2)(3k+5)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k(3k+5)+2}{2(3k+2)(3k+5)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3k^2+5k+2}{2(3k+2)(3k+5)}$$

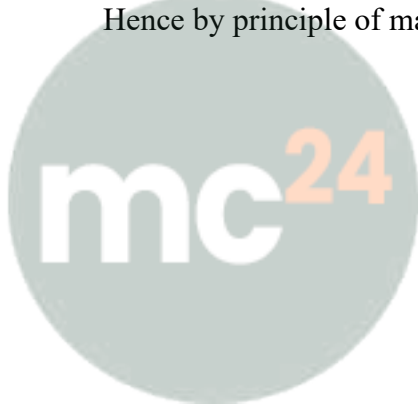
$$\Rightarrow \frac{3k^2+3k+2k+2}{2(3k+2)(3k+5)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(3k+2)(k+1)}{2(3k+2)(3k+5)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(k+1)}{2(3k+5)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(k+1)}{(6(k+1)+4)}$$

Which is equal to the Right-hand side for $n = k + 1$. We proved that $P(k + 1)$ is true. Hence by principle of mathematical induction it is true for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.



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