

Unit - II

Introduction to proofs :-

Theorem Definition :-

Theorem is a statement that can be shown to be True.

Proof :-

A proof is a (valid) argument that establish the validity of the statement.

Types of proofs :-

- 1. Direct proofs
  - 2. proofs by Contradiction
  - 3. proofs by Contrapositive
  - 4. Induction proofs
- } Indirect Proofs

1. Direct proofs :-

A Direct proofs of the form  $P \Rightarrow Q$  is logically a valid argument in which we start with the assumption the 'P' is true and by using 'P' along with other axioms (or) Rules we show directly 'Q' is also True. \*Mathematically it is

Denoted as  $P \rightarrow Q$

Assume 'P' is True

Prove: Q is also True  
(by using some axioms)

Ex :- 1

Give a direct proof for the Statement

"Product of Two Odd integers is Odd"

sol:  $3 * 5 = 15$  similarly  $7 * 5 = 35$

Let  $x, y$  be two odd integers.

By the rule of Mathematics odd number can be represented as " $2n+1$ "

$$x = 2n+1$$

$$y = 2m+1$$

$$x \cdot y = (2n+1)(2m+1)$$

$$= 4nm + 2n + 2m + 1$$

$$= 2(2nm + n + m) + 1$$

$$x \cdot y = 2a + 1$$

This is an odd integer

$\therefore$  product of two odd integers is odd

Ex: - 2

Show that the square of an even number is also even

$$4^2 = 16$$

$$\text{similarly } 6^2 = 36$$

Let  $x$  be an even number

$$\text{then } x = 2n$$

$$x^2 = (2n)^2$$

$$= 4n^2$$

$$= 2(2n^2)$$

$$x^2 = 2a$$

This is an even number

$\therefore$  square of even number is also even

$$2 \times 2 = 4$$

$$3 \times 3 = 9$$

$$4 \times 4 = 16$$

$$5 \times 5 = 25$$

Ex-3 Show that the sum of two odd numbers is even

$3 + 7 = 10$  similarly  $3 + 5 = 8$

Let  $x, y$  be two odd integers

$\therefore x = 2n + 1$  and  $y = 2m + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= (2n + 1) + (2m + 1) \\ &= 2n + 2m + 2 \\ &= 2(n + m + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$x + y = 2a$   
 $\therefore x + y = \text{even}$

$\therefore$  the sum of two odd integers is even

Ex-4

Show that the square of an odd integer is odd

$3^2 = 9$  similarly  $5^2 = 25$

Let 'x' be an odd number

then  $x = 2n + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= (2n + 1)^2 \\ &= 4n^2 + 1 + 4n \\ &= 2(2n^2 + n) + 1 \\ &= 2a + 1 \\ &= \text{odd} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore 2a + 1$  is not divisible by '2'

$\Rightarrow x^2$  is not divisible by '2'

$\Rightarrow x^2$  is an odd integer

$P \rightarrow Q$  is True

$\therefore$  The square of odd integer is odd

Ex: - 5

By using direct proofs method Show that

"every odd integer is the difference of two squares is Odd"

sol P: Assume 'n' is a odd integer and 'P' is True

Q: Difference of two squares is odd [P → Q ≡ T]

$$n = 2k + 1$$

$$n = k^2 + (2k + 1) - k^2 = y + x$$

$$n = (k + 1)^2 - k^2$$

$$n = a^2 - b^2$$

Q is True

∴ P → Q ≡ T

we have derived 'Q' is true  
Every odd integer is the difference of two squares.

difference of two squares formula  
 $-(a^2 - b^2)$

Indirect Proof

3. Proof by Contrapositive :- [P → Q ≡ ¬Q → ¬P]

If we state that P → Q is logically equivalent to its Contrapositive ¬Q → ¬P

Now to prove P → Q we assume that Q is false and show that P is also false

Ex: - 1

prove that if n<sup>2</sup> is odd then n is odd

sol

P: n<sup>2</sup> is odd

Q: n is odd

Mathematically [P → Q]

The Contrapositive of P → Q is ¬Q → ¬P

$TQ$ :  $n$  is even,  $T$  is True

$TP$ :  $n^2$  is even

i.e.  $n = 2k$  where  $k$  is any (positive integer)

$$n^2 = (2k)^2$$

$$n^2 = 4k^2$$

$$= 2(2k^2)$$

$$n^2 = 2a$$

$$n^2 = \text{even}$$

$\therefore TP$  is True

$TQ \Rightarrow TP \Rightarrow Q$  (contradiction)

So, by logical equivalence  $Q \Rightarrow P$  is true

$\therefore n^2$  is odd then  $n$  is odd

Ex: -2

Prove that if  $(x, y \text{ belongs to } \mathbb{Z})$   $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$

(Set of Integers) such that  $xy$  is odd then

both  $x$  and  $y$  are also odd

sol:  $P$ :  $xy$  is odd

$Q$ :  $x$  and  $y$  are odd

$[P \Rightarrow Q]$  (contradiction)

Now, by applying the method of Contrapositive

we can write the given statement as

$TQ \rightarrow TP$

$TQ$ :  $x$  and  $y$  are even,  $T$  is True

$TP$ :  $xy$  is even

take  $x = 2n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$y = 2m$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$xy = 2n \cdot 2m$$

$$= 4nm$$

$$\text{Proposition} = 2 \left( \frac{2nm}{2} \right)$$

$$xy = 2a$$

$xy$  is even

$\therefore P \rightarrow Q \equiv T$

$\Rightarrow TP$  is True

$\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$  is True

By logical equivalence  $P \Rightarrow Q$  is True

If  $x, y, z$ , such that  $xy$  is odd, then both  $x$  and  $y$  are also odd.

Ex: - 3

Prove the following statement:

"If  $3n+2$  is odd, then  $n$  is odd."

$P$ :  $3n+2$  is odd

$Q$ :  $n$  is odd

$P \rightarrow Q$

The Contrapositive of  $P \rightarrow Q$  is  $\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$

We can write given statement as

$\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$

$\neg Q$ :  $n$  is even and it is True

$\neg P$ :  $3n+2$  is even

$$n = 2k$$

$$3n+2 = 3(2k)+2$$

$$= 6k+2$$

$$= 2[3k+1]$$

$3n+2 = 2a$   $3n+2$  is even

$\therefore P \rightarrow Q \equiv T$   
 $TP$  is True

By logical equivalence  $P \rightarrow Q$  is True

$\therefore$  if  $3n+2$  is odd 'n' is odd

Ex: 4

Show that if 'n' is an integer and  $n^3+5$  is odd then 'n' is even integer by using Indirect proof

P: n is integer,  $n^3+5$  is odd

Q: n is even integer

$P \rightarrow Q$

By the method of Contrapositive we have to show

$\neg Q \rightarrow \neg P$

$\neg Q$ : n is odd integer

$\neg P$ : n is an integer,  $n^3+5$  is even

Assume  $\neg Q$  is True

$\Rightarrow$  n is odd is True

$\Rightarrow n = 2k+1$  for any integer k

we have to show  $\neg P$  is True

$n^3+5$  is even

$\Rightarrow (2k+1)^3 + 5$   $(a+b)^3 = a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3$

$\Rightarrow [(2k)^3 + 3(2k)^2 \cdot 1 + 3 \cdot (2k) \cdot 1 + 1^3] + 5$

$\Rightarrow [8k^3 + 12k^2 + 6k + 1] + 5$

$\Rightarrow 8k^3 + 12k^2 + 6k + 6$

$\Rightarrow 2(4k^3 + 6k^2 + 3k + 3)$

$\Rightarrow 2a$  even

So,  $n^3 + 5$  is even which is True

$\therefore \neg q \Rightarrow \neg p$  is True

$\therefore$  if 'n' is an integer and  $n^3 + 5$  is odd then 'n' is even

Ex: 5

Show that if 'n' is an integer and  $5n + 2$  is odd then 'n' is also odd integer by using indirect proof.

P: n is an integer,  $5n + 2$  is odd

Q: n is odd integer

$P \rightarrow Q$

By the method of Contrapositive we have to

Show  $\neg Q \Rightarrow \neg P$

$\neg Q$ : n is even integer

$\neg P$ : n is an integer,  $5n + 2$  is even

Assume Q is True

$\Rightarrow$  n is even integer is True

$$n = 2k$$

$\Rightarrow n = 2k$  for any integer k.

we have to show  $\neg P$  is True

$5n + 2$  is even

$$\Rightarrow 5(2k) + 2 = 10k + 2 = 2(5k + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 10k + 2 = 2[5k + 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(5k + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a$$

$\Rightarrow$  even

So,  $5n + 2$  is even which is True



$\therefore 7q \Rightarrow 7p$  is True & a rest bba is +78 h  
 $\therefore$  if 'n' is an integer and  $5n+2$  is odd then 'n'  
 is also odd integer.

2. Proof by Contradiction [Indirect proof]

If  $p \Rightarrow q$  is a statement, in this we  
 Assume  $q$  is false [ $7q$  is True]. Then by  
 logical arguments we arrive to a situation  
 where  $7q$  is false, which is a Contradiction  
 to the assumption so we Conclude that 'q'  
 must be True

Ex:-1

Show that if  $3n+2$  is odd then 'n' is odd  
 by using Contradictory proof

P:  $3n+2$  is odd

q: n is odd

we assume that q is False

i.e  $7q$  is True

$7q$ : n is even

$n = 2k$  for any integer k

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow 3n+2 \\ &= 3(2k)+2 \\ &= 6k+2 \\ &= 2(3k+1) \\ &= 2a \end{aligned}$$

even

So,  $3n+2$  is even

This is a Contradictory statement for given 'p'

$\therefore$  we Conclude that  $(\frac{x}{y}) = \sqrt{\frac{x}{y}}$   
 then 'n' is odd

If  $3n+2$  is odd then  $n$  is odd

Ex: -2

Show that for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  if  $x^3 + 4x = 0$  then  $x = 0$

Sol: -  $p \rightarrow q$  is a statement

Assume  $p$  is false [if  $x=0$  is true]

By using Contradictory method, we assume

$p$  is True

i.e.  $x \neq 0$

$\therefore x \neq 0$

$$x^3 + 4x = 0$$

$$x(x^2 + 4) = 0$$

$$x^2 + 4 = 0$$

$$x^2 = -4 \text{ is a Contradiction}$$

[Any Negative number when it is square then it becomes positive]

Hence the given statement is True

i.e. for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  if  $x^3 + 4x = 0$  then  $x = 0$

Ex: -3

By using proof by contradiction show that

$\sqrt{2}$  is an Irrational number

Assume  $\sqrt{2}$  is a rational number

$$\text{i.e. } \left[ \sqrt{2} = \frac{x}{y} \right] \text{ } x, y \text{ has no common factors}$$

Squaring on both sides

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{2})^2 = \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{x^2}{y^2}$$

$$da \geq a \leftarrow$$

$\Rightarrow 2y^2 = x^2$  ... that means  $x^2$  is even ... which implies  $x$  is even

$$\Rightarrow x = 2k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = (2k)^2 = 4k^2$$

$$\therefore [x^2 = 2y^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 2k^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 2k^2$$

so  $y^2$  is even ... which implies  $y$  is even

since  $x, y$  are both even integers that common factor is 2

This is a contradiction to Assumed Statement

$\therefore \sqrt{2}$  is an irrational number

sol

Ex: - 4

prove that if  $n = ab$  where  $a, b$  are positive integer then  $a \leq \sqrt{n}$  cor  $b \leq \sqrt{n}$

$p: n = ab$  where  $a, b$  are (two) positive integers

$q: a \leq \sqrt{n}$  cor  $b \leq \sqrt{n}$

we have to show that  $\forall n, p(n) \rightarrow q(n)$  is True.

Assume  $q(n)$  is false

$$\forall n: a \geq \sqrt{n} \text{ cor } b \geq \sqrt{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow ab \geq \sqrt{n} \cdot \sqrt{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow ab \geq n$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{n \leq ab}$$

But from the given statement  $n = ab$  which is a contradiction to the result  $(n < ab)$  to obtain

$\therefore$  the given statement is true

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#### 4. Induction proofs (or) proof by mathematical Induction

Mathematical induction is a technique of proving a statement, Theorem or formula which is thought to be true for each and every natural number value 'n'.

By using generalizing this of the form of a principle which we use to prove any mathematical statement is called as principle of Mathematical Induction.

The following are the steps (or) principles used to solve the Induction problems

Step 1 :- If the given statement is  $P(n)$  where 'n' is a natural number then we show that the statement is True for  $n=1$ .

Step 2 :- Assume the given statement  $P(n)$  is True for  $n=k$  where  $k$  is any integer.

Step 3 :- Now we prove the statement  $P(n)$  is True for  $n=k+1$  values

NOTE :-

"step 2" is called inductive Hypothesis  
"step 3" is called inductive step

Ex :- 1

Prove that the sum of cubes of 'n' natural numbers =  $\left[ \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right]^2$

we have to show that  $1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 = \left[ \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right]^2$

Step :- 1

Consider the above statement as  $P(n)$

By using mathematical induction we verify

$P(n)$  is True or not (by taking)  $n=1$

$$L.H.S = 1^3 = 1$$

$$R.H.S = \left[ \frac{1(1+1)}{2} \right]^2$$

$$= 1^2 = 1$$

Hence  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

Result is true for  $P(n)$  when  $n=1$

Step :- 2

Assume the given statement  $P(n)$  is true

for  $n=k$  values where 'k' is any integer

W.K.T

$$1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + k^3 = \left[ \frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right]^2 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Step :- 3

Now we have to prove that the statement

$P(n)$  is also True for  $n=k+1$  values

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

L.H.S :-

we know from ① that  $\left[ \frac{k(k+1)}{2} \right]^2 + (k+1)^3$

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

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

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

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

Consider the above step

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

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

$\therefore P(n)$  is true for  $n = k+1$

Hence by principle of mathematical induction

"Sum of cubes of 'n' numbers =  $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ "

2) shows that  $1+3+5+\dots+(2n-1) = n^2$  by using principle of mathematical induction

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

Step 1 :-

We have to check  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

LHS :-  $P(1) = 1$   
R.H.S :-  $n^2 = (1)^2 = 1$   
 $\therefore LHS = R.H.S$

So  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

Step 2 :-

Assume  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$P(k) = 1+3+5+\dots+(2k-1) = k^2 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Step 3 :-

we have to prove  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

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

$$\stackrel{\text{L.H.S}}{\Rightarrow} 1+3+5+\dots+(2k+2-1)$$

$$\underbrace{1+3+5+\dots+(2k-1)}_{k^2} + 2k-1 + 2k+1$$

from eq. (1), this is equal to  $k^2 + 2k + 1$

$$= k^2 + 2k + 1$$

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

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

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

Hence by principle of mathematical induction

$p(n)$  is true for all values of  $n$

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

3. S.T.  $1+2+3+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$  by using principle of mathematical Induction

Given that

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

Step 1 :-

we have to check  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

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

$$P(1) = \text{L.H.S} = 1$$

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

$$= 1$$

$$\therefore R.H.S = R.H.S$$

$\therefore$  so  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

Step 2 :-

Assume  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

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

Step 3 :- we have to prove  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

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

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

from eq  $\textcircled{1}$  this is equal

L.H.S

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

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

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

$$= \frac{k^2+2k+2}{2}$$

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

R.H.S

$$L.H.S = R.H.S$$

Hence by principle of mathematical induction  $p(n)$  is true for all values of  $n$

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



4. S.T  $1 \cdot 2^0 + 2 \cdot 2^1 + 3 \cdot 2^2 + 4 \cdot 2^3 + \dots + n \cdot 2^{n-1} = (n-1) \cdot 2^n + 1$

Given that

$$p(n) = 1 \cdot 2^0 + 2 \cdot 2^1 + 3 \cdot 2^2 + 4 \cdot 2^3 + \dots + n \cdot 2^{n-1} = (n-1)2^n + 1 \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Step 1 :-

we have to check  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} p(1) &= \text{L.H.S} = 1 \cdot 2^{1-1} = 1 \cdot 2^0 = 1 \\ &\text{R.H.S} = (1-1)2^1 + 1 = (0)2^1 + 1 \\ &= 0 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

So  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

Step 2 :-

Assume  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$p(k) = 1 \cdot 2^0 + 2 \cdot 2^1 + 3 \cdot 2^2 + 4 \cdot 2^3 + \dots + k \cdot 2^{k-1} = (k-1)2^k + 1 \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Step 3 :-

we have to prove  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$\Rightarrow p(k+1) = 1 \cdot 2^0 + 2 \cdot 2^1 + 3 \cdot 2^2 + \dots + k \cdot 2^{k-1} + k+1 \cdot 2^k = (k)2^k + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 \cdot 2^0 + 2 \cdot 2^1 + 3 \cdot 2^2 + \dots + k \cdot 2^{k-1} + k+1 \cdot 2^k$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{1 \cdot 2^0 + 2 \cdot 2^1 + 3 \cdot 2^2 + \dots + k \cdot 2^{k-1}}_{(k-1)2^k + 1} + k+1 \cdot 2^k$$

from equation  $\textcircled{2}$  it is equivalent to  $(k-1)2^k + 1$

$$\Rightarrow k \cdot 2^k - 2^k + 1 + (k+1)2^k$$

$$\Rightarrow k \cdot 2^k - 2^k + 1 + k \cdot 2^k + 2^k$$

$$\Rightarrow k \cdot 2^k + 1 + k \cdot 2^k$$

$$\Rightarrow 2k \cdot 2^k + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k \cdot 2^{k+1} + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{R.H.S} = (k+1)2^k$$

Result is true for  $p(n)$  when  $n=k+1$

$\therefore$  By principle of mathematical Induction  $p(n)$  is True  $\forall n$

5. Prove that by principle of mathematical

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

for all positive integers

Given that

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

Step 1:-

we have to check  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

$$p(1) = \text{L.H.S} = \frac{1}{1(1+1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

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

So  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

Step 2:-

Assume  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$p(k) = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{k(k+1)} = \frac{k}{k+1} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Step 3:-

we have to prove  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

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

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

Result is true by principle of mathematical induction

from eq (2) it is equal to  $\frac{k}{k+1}$

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

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

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

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

$$\frac{k+1}{k+2} \text{ R.H.S}$$

R.H.S

Result is true for  $p(n)$  when  $n = k+1$

$\therefore$  By principle of mathematical Induction

6. prove that by principle of mathematical Induction

$$1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2n-1)^2 = \frac{n(2n-1)(2n+1)}{3} \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

Given that

$$p(n) = 1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2n-1)^2 = \frac{n(2n-1)(2n+1)}{3} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Step 1:

we have to check  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

$$p(1) = \text{L.H.S} = \frac{(2(1)-1)^2}{3} = 1$$

$$\text{R.H.S} = \frac{1(2(1)-1)(2(1)+1)}{3}$$

$$= \frac{1 \cdot 1 \cdot 3}{3} = 1$$

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

So  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

Step 2: -  $\frac{k}{k+1}$  it is equivalent to  $\frac{k}{k+1}$

Assume  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$P(k) = 1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2k-1)^2 = \frac{k(2k-1)(2k+1)}{3}$$

Step 3: -

we have to prove  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

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

L.H.S

$$\Rightarrow 1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2k-1)^2 + (2k+1)^2$$

from eq (2) it is equivalent to  $\frac{k(2k-1)(2k+1)}{3}$

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

$$(2k^2 - k)(2k+1) + 3(2k+1)^2$$

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

$$\frac{4k^3 + 2k^2 - 2k^2 - k + 12k^2 + 3 + 12k}{3}$$

$$\frac{4k^3 + 12k^2 + 11k + 3}{3}$$

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

Result is true for  $p(n)$

when  $n=k+1$

$$= \frac{4k^3 + 12k^2 + 11k + 3}{3} = \frac{4k^3 + 8k^2 + 3k + 4k^2 + 8k + 3}{3} = \frac{4k^3 + 12k^2 + 11k + 3}{3}$$

4	12	11	3
1	-4	-8	-3
4	8	3	0

∴ By principle of mathematical induction  $p(n)$  is True

7 Prove by mathematical induction  $8^n - 3^n$  is a multiple of 5

Given that

$p(n) = 8^n - 3^n$  is a multiple of 5

Step 1:-

we have to check  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

$$\begin{aligned} p(1) &= 8^1 - 3^1 \\ &= 8 - 3 \\ &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

so  $p(n)$  is true

Step 2 :-

Assume

$p(k)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$p(k) = 8^k - 3^k$$

$$8^k - 3^k = 5m$$

$$8^k = 5m + 3^k \rightarrow (1)$$

Step 3 :-

we have to prove  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$\Rightarrow 8^{k+1} - 3^{k+1} \text{ is a multiple of } 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 8^k \cdot 8^1 - 3^k \cdot 3^1$$

$$\Rightarrow [5m + 3^k] \cdot 8 - 3^k \cdot 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \times 5m + 3^k \cdot 8 - 3 \cdot 3^k$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \times 5m + (8-3) 3^k$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \times 5m + (5 \cdot 3^k + 3) 3^k$$

$$\Rightarrow 5(8m + 3^k)$$

is a multiple of 5

$p(k+1)$  is true

Hence by mathematical induction  $8^n - 3^n$  is multiple of 5 for

8. Show that  $n^3 + 2n$  is a multiple of 3 by using mathematical induction.

Given that

$P(n) = n^3 + 2n$  is a multiple of 3

$$= n^3 + 2n = 3 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Step 1 :-

we have to check  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

$$P(1) = (1)^3 + 2(1)$$

$$= 1 + 2$$

$$= 3$$

so  $P(n)$  is true

Step 2 :-

Assume  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$P(k) = k^3 + 2k$$

$$k^3 + 2k = 3m$$

$$k^3 = 3m - 2k \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Step 3 :-

we have to prove  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$\Rightarrow (k+1)^3 + 2(k+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow k^3 + 3k^2 + 3k + 1 + 2k + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (k^3 + 2k) + (3k^2 + 3k + 3)$$

$$\Rightarrow (k^3 + 2k) + 3(k^2 + k + 1)$$

multiple of 3

$$\Rightarrow (3m - 2k + 2k) + 3(k^2 + k + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3m + 3k^2 + 3k + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 3[m + k^2 + k + 1] \text{ is multiple of 3 for}$$

$P(k+1)$  is true

Hence by mathematical induction  $n^3 + 2n$  is multiple

9. Show that  $6^{n+2} + 7^{2n+1}$  is divisible by 43 by using mathematical induction

$$P(n) = 6^{n+2} + 7^{2n+1} \text{ is a divisible by } 43$$

$$= 6^{n+2} + 7^{2n+1} \div 43$$

Step 1:- we have to check  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

$$P(1) = 6^{1+2} + 7^{2+1} \div 43$$

$$= 6^3 + 7^3 \div 43$$

$$= 216 + 343 \div 43$$

$$= 559 \div 43$$

$\therefore P(1)$  is true for  $n=1$

Step 2:-

Assume  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$P(k) = 6^{k+2} + 7^{2k+1} = 43m$$

$$6^{k+2} = 43m - 7^{2k+1} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Step 3:-

we have to prove  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$\Rightarrow 6^{(k+1)+2} + 7^{2(k+1)+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6^{2k+3} + 7^{2k+3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6^{k+2} \cdot 6 + 7^{2k+1} \cdot 7^2$$

$$\Rightarrow [43m - 7^{2k+1}] \cdot 6 + 7^{2k+1} \cdot 7^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 43m \cdot 6 + 7^{2k+1} [49 - 6]$$

$$\Rightarrow 43m \cdot 6 + 7^{2k+1} \cdot 43$$

$$\Rightarrow 43(6m + 7^{2k+1})$$

$P(k+1)$  is true

Hence by principle of mathematical induction  $P(n)$  is true all values of  $n$

$$\Rightarrow 6^{n+2} + 7^{2n+1} \text{ is a divisible by } 43$$

show that  $3^n + 7^n - 2$  is divisible by 8

for  $\forall n \geq 1$

Given that

$P(n) = 3^n + 7^n - 2$  is divisible by 8

Step 1 :- we have to check  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

$$P(1) = 3^1 + 7^1 - 2$$

$$= 10 - 2$$

$$= 8$$

$\therefore P(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

Step 2 :-

Assume  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$P(k) = 3^k + 7^k - 2$$

$$3^k + 7^k - 2 = 8m$$

$$3^k + 7^k = 8m + 2 \quad 3^k = 8m - 7^k + 2 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Step 3 :-

we have to prove  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$\Rightarrow 3^{k+1} + 7^{k+1} - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^k \cdot 3 + 7^k \cdot 7 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{sub eq } \textcircled{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow [8m - 7^k + 2] \cdot 3 + (7^k \cdot 7 - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 24m - 3 \cdot 7^k + 6 + 7^k \cdot 7 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 24m - 3 \cdot 7^k + 6 + 7^k \cdot 7 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 24m + 7^k [3 - 7] + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 24m + (4) \cdot 7^k + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 24m \cdot 4 [6m + 7^k + 1]$$

Assume  $7^k$  is odd then  $7^{k+1}$  becomes even  $\Rightarrow 24$



$$\Rightarrow 24m + 8y$$

$\Rightarrow 8[3m + y]$  is divisible by 8

$\therefore P(k+1)$  is true for  $n \in k+1$

11) Prove by mathematical induction  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} > \sqrt{n} \quad \forall n \geq 2$

Given that

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

Step 1 :-

we have to check  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=2$

$$P(2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} > \sqrt{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} > \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= 1.727 > 1.414$$

$$L.H.S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= 1 + 0.72$$

$$= 1.72$$

$$= 2$$

$$R.H.S = \frac{\sqrt{2+2}}{\sqrt{2}} > \sqrt{2}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{4}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{(1+\sqrt{2})}{\sqrt{2}} > \sqrt{2}$$

$\therefore L.H.S > R.H.S$

$P(n)$  is true for  $n=2$

Step 2 :-

Assume  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k$  Values

put  $n=k$  in (1)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} > \sqrt{k} \rightarrow (2)$$

Step 3:-

we have to prove  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$P(k+1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}} > \sqrt{k+1} \text{ (to prove)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}}_{> \sqrt{k} \text{ from } \textcircled{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow > \sqrt{k} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow > \frac{\sqrt{k} \sqrt{k+1} + 1}{\sqrt{k+1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow > \frac{\sqrt{k(k+1)} + 1}{\sqrt{k+1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow > \frac{\sqrt{k \cdot k} + 1}{\sqrt{k+1}} \quad [\because (k+1) > k]$$

$$\Rightarrow > \frac{k+1}{\sqrt{k+1}}$$

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

$\Rightarrow P(k+1)$  is true

Hence by principle of mathematical induction the given statement  $P(n)$  is true  $\forall n \geq 2$

$\textcircled{2} \leftarrow \sqrt{k} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}$   
 dividend =  $\sqrt{k}$  (divisor)  
 divided will be  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}$   
 of division  $\therefore$  we take

12. Show that  $11^{n+2} + 12^{2n+1}$  is divisible by 133 using mathematical induction.  $\forall n \geq 0$

Given that

$p(n) = 11^{n+2} + 12^{2n+1}$  is divisible by 133

Step 1 :-

we have to check  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(1) &= 11^{1+2} + 12^{2+1} \\
 &= 11^3 + 12^3 \\
 &= 1331 + 1728 \\
 &= 3059
 \end{aligned}$$

3059 is divisible by 133

$p(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

Step 2 :-

Assume  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(k) &= 11^{k+2} + 12^{2k+1} \\
 11^{k+2} + 12^{2k+1} &= 133m \quad \text{--- (1)} \\
 11^{k+2} &= 133m - 12^{2k+1} \quad \text{--- (2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Step 3 :- we have to prove  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow 11^{k+1+2} + 12^{2(k+1)+1} \\
 &\Rightarrow 11^{k+3} + 12^{2k+3} \\
 &\Rightarrow 11^{k+2} \cdot 11 + 12^{2k+1} \cdot 12^2 \\
 &\Rightarrow (133m - 12^{2k+1}) \cdot 11 + 12^{2k+1} \cdot 12^2 \\
 &\Rightarrow 133m \cdot 11 + 12^{2k+1} [144 - 11] \\
 &\Rightarrow 133 [11m + 12^{2k+1}]
 \end{aligned}$$

$P(k+1)$  is true

Hence by principle of mathematical induction  $p(n)$  is true  $\forall n \geq 0$

13 Show that  $n^5 - n$  is divisible by '5'  $\forall n \geq 1$  by using mathematical induction

Given that

$P(n) = n^5 - n$  is divisible by 5

Step 1 :-

we have to check  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=2$

$$P(2) = 2^5 - 2 = 32 - 2 = 30$$

$$P(1) = 1^5 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$$

It is divisible by '5'  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=2$

Step 2 :-

Assume  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$P(k) = k^5 - k$$

$$k^5 - k = 5m$$

$$k^5 = 5m + k \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Step 3 :-

we have to prove  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$\Rightarrow (k+1)^5 - (k+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow [k^5 + 5C_1 k^4 + 10C_2 k^3 + 10C_3 k^2 + 5C_4 k + 1] - (k+1)$$

Formula :-

$$(x+a)^n = x^n + nC_1 x^{n-1} a + nC_2 x^{n-2} a^2 + \dots + nC_n x^n a^n$$

$$\Rightarrow k^5 + 5k^4 + 10k^3 + 10k^2 + 5k + 1 - k - 1$$

$$nC_r = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

$P(k+1)$  is true

from (1)

$$(5m+k) + 5k^4 + 10k^3 + 10k^2 + 5k - k$$

$$5 [m+k^4 + 2k^3 + 2k^2 + k]$$

is divisible of 5

R.H.S

P(k+1) is true

Hence by principle of mathematical induction

$n^5 - n$  is divisible by 5  $\forall n \geq 1$

12. show that mathematical induction of  $a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^n$

$$= \frac{a(r^{n+1} - 1)}{r - 1} \text{ where } r \neq 1, n \geq 0$$

Given that

$$P(n) = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^n = \frac{a(r^{n+1} - 1)}{r - 1}$$

Step 1 :-

we have to check P(n) is true for  $n=0$

L.H.S

$$P(0) = ar^0$$

$$= ar^0$$

$$= a$$

R.H.S

$$P(0) = \frac{a(r^{0+1} - 1)}{r - 1}$$

$$= \frac{a(r - 1)}{r - 1}$$

$$= \frac{a(r - 1)}{r - 1}$$

$$= a$$

L.H.S = R.H.S

P(n) is true for  $n=0$

Step 2 :-

Assume P(n) is true for  $n=k$

$$P(k) = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^k = \frac{a(r^{k+1} - 1)}{r - 1} \rightarrow (1)$$

Step 3 :-

we have to prove  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$\Rightarrow a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots + ar^k + ar^{k+1} = \frac{ar^{k+2} - a}{r-1}$$

L.H.S :-  
 $\Rightarrow a + ar + ar^2 + ar^3 + \dots + ar^k + ar^{k+1}$

from (1)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ar^{k+1} - a}{r-1} + ar^{k+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ar^{k+1} - a + (r-1)ar^{k+1}}{r-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ar^{k+1} - a + ar^{k+2} - ar^{k+1}}{r-1} =$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-a + ar^{k+2}}{r-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ar^{k+2} - a}{r-1} = \text{R.H.S}$$

L.H.S = R.H.S

$\therefore p(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

By the principle of mathematical induction

$p(n)$  is true  $\forall n \geq 0$

15 show that  $n < 2^n$  for positive integers of  $n, n \geq 1$

Given that

$$P(n) = n < 2^n \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Step 1 :-

we have to check  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=1$

$$P(1) = 1 < 2$$

$$1 < 2 = \text{True}$$

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

Step 2 :-

Assume  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

put  $n=k$  in  $\textcircled{1}$

$$\Rightarrow P(k) = k < 2^k \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Step 3 :-

we have to show that  $P(k+1)$  is true

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

L.H.S. :-

$$(k+1) < 2^{k+1}$$

$$[ \text{from } \textcircled{2} ] \Rightarrow k < 2^k$$

$$k < 2^k$$

$$\Rightarrow k < 2 \cdot 2^k$$

$$[ \text{L.H.S.} ] \Rightarrow k < 2^{k+1}$$

R.H.S

$$\therefore (k+1) < 2^{k+1}$$

Hence L.H.S = R.H.S

$\therefore$  By principle of mathematical induction the

statement  $P(n)$  is true for  $n \geq 1$





17) show that  $4n < n^2 - 7 \forall n \geq 6$

$$P(n) = 4n < n^2 - 7$$

Step 1 :-

we have to check  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=6$

$$\begin{aligned} P(6) &= 4(6) < 6^2 - 7 \\ &= 24 < 36 - 7 \\ &= 24 < 29 \end{aligned}$$

True

$\therefore P(6)$  is true for  $P(n)$

Step 2 :-

Assume  $P(k)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$P(k) = 4k < k^2 - 7 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Step 3 :-

we have to prove  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$\begin{aligned} P(k+1) &= 4(k+1) < (k+1)^2 - 7 \\ \text{L.H.S} &= 4(k+1) \end{aligned}$$

$$< 4k + 4$$

$\{ 4 < 2k + 1 \forall k \geq 6 \}$

$$< (k^2 - 7) + 4$$

$2k$  cuz,  $k$  is even

$$< (k^2 - 7) + 2k + 1$$

$$< k^2 - 7 + 2k + 1$$

$$< k^2 + 2k + 1 - 7$$

$$< (k+1)^2 - 7$$

R.H.S is true  $\therefore P(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

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# Strong Induction proofs :-

If the given proposition depends on more than one basic condition or initial conditions then we solve these problems by using Strong Induction Method (Second principle of Mathematical induction)

Examples :-

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1. Prove that  $u_n = 3^n - 2^n \forall n \geq 1$  where  $u_1 = 1, u_2 = 5$  and  $u_{n+1} = 5u_n - 6u_{n-1} \forall n \geq 2$

Proof :-

Given that

$$P(n) = 3^n - 2^n \forall n \geq 1 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$u_1 = 1, u_2 = 5 \text{ and } u_{n+1} = 5u_n - 6u_{n-1}$$

Step :- 1

we have to verify  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=1$  and  $n=2$

$$P(1) = 3^1 - 2^1$$

$$= 3 - 2$$

$$= 1$$

$u_1$  true

$$P(2) = 3^2 - 2^2$$

$$= 9 - 4$$

$$= 5$$

$$u_2 \text{ true}$$

$\therefore P(n)$  is true for  $n=1$  &  $2$

Step :- 2

Assume that  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

$$P(k) = 3^k - 2^k \forall n \geq 1 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

is true

Step 3 :-

Now we have to prove  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$p(k+1) = U_{k+1} = 3^{k+1} - 2^{k+1} \quad (1)$$

we know that  $U_{n+1} = 5U_n - 6U_{n-1}$

$$\Rightarrow U_{k+1} = 5U_k - 6U_{k-1} \quad (2)$$

Sub eq (2)

$$= 5[3^k - 2^k] - 6U_{k-1} \quad (3)$$

Sub  $U_{k-1}$  in eq (1) we get  $U_{k-1} = 3^{k-1} - 2^{k-1}$

$$= 5[3^k - 2^k] - 6[3^{k-1} - 2^{k-1}]$$

$$= 5(3^k) - 5(2^k) - 6(3^k) \frac{1}{3} + 6(2^k) \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 5(3^k) - 5(2^k) - 2 \cdot 3^k + 3 \cdot 2^k$$

$$= 3^k [5 - 2] - 2^k [5 - 3] \quad (4)$$

$$= 3 \cdot 3^k - 2 \cdot 2^k$$

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

R.H.S

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

By the second method of principle of mathematical induction the given statement  $p(n)$  is true  $\forall n \geq 1$

2) using Mathematical induction prove that  $(a-b)$  is a factor of  $a^n - b^n$  for all positive integer  $n$

Given that  $p(n) : a-b$  is a factor of  $a^n - b^n$

Step 1 :-

we have to prove  $p(n)$  is true for 'n' greater than (or) equals to 1

$$P(1) = a^1 - b^1 = a - b \text{ is a factor of } (a-b) \text{ is True}$$

$$P(2) = a^2 - b^2 = (a+b)(a-b)$$

$(a-b)$  is a factor of  $P(n) = 2$

Step 2 :-

Assume  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k$  values

$$\Rightarrow P(k) = a^k - b^k \text{ is true } \forall k$$

Step 3 :-

Now we have to show  $P(k+1)$  is true

$\Rightarrow (a-b)$  is a factor of  $a^{k+1} - b^{k+1}$  is true

$$\begin{aligned} a^{k+1} - b^{k+1} &= (a+b)(a^k - b^k) + ab^k - ba^k \\ &\Rightarrow a+b(a^k - b^k) - ab(a^{k-1} - b^{k-1}) \\ &\quad (a-b)x \quad (a-b)y \end{aligned}$$

$$P(k) = a^k - b^k \Rightarrow a+b[(a-b)x - ab(a-b)y]$$

$$\Rightarrow (a-b)[(a+b)x - (ab)y]$$

$$P(k-1) = a^{k-1} - b^{k-1} = (a-b)y$$

is a factor of  $(a-b)$

$\therefore P(k+1)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

Hence by 2<sup>nd</sup> method of mathematical

induction  $(a-b)$  is a factor of

$$a^n - b^n \forall n \geq 1$$

3) By using 2<sup>nd</sup> principle of Mathematical Induction show that  $(3 + \sqrt{5})^n + (3 - \sqrt{5})^n$  is divisible by  $2^n \forall n \geq 0$

Given that

$P(n) = (3 + \sqrt{5})^n + (3 - \sqrt{5})^n$  is divisible by  $2^n$

Step 1:-

we have to show that  $P(n)$  is true when  $n = 0, 1$

$P(0) = (3 + \sqrt{5})^0 + (3 - \sqrt{5})^0 = 1 + 1 = 2$   
 $2$  is divisible by  $1$   
 So,  $P(0)$  is true

I.H.S

$P(1) = (3 + \sqrt{5})^1 + (3 - \sqrt{5})^1 = 3 + \sqrt{5} + 3 - \sqrt{5} = 6$   
 $6$  is divisible by  $2$

$P(1)$  is divisible (by 2)

So,  $P(n)$  is true

Step 2:-

Assume  $P(n) = k$  is true

$P(k) = (3 + \sqrt{5})^k + (3 - \sqrt{5})^k$  is divisible by  $2^k$  is true

Step 3:-

Now we have to prove  $P(n)$  is true for  $n = k + 1$

i.e  $P(k+1) = (3 + \sqrt{5})^{k+1} + (3 - \sqrt{5})^{k+1}$  is divisible by  $2^{k+1}$  is true

Assume  $a = 3 + \sqrt{5}$ ,  $b = 3 - \sqrt{5}$

then  $a + b = 3 + \sqrt{5} + 3 - \sqrt{5}$   
 $= 6$

$ab = (3 + \sqrt{5})(3 - \sqrt{5})$   
 $= 3^2 - (\sqrt{5})^2 = a^2 - b^2$

$a^2 - b^2 = 9 - 5 = 4$

L.H.S  $(3 + \sqrt{5})^{k+1} + (3 - \sqrt{5})^{k+1}$

$= (a)^{k+1} + (b)^{k+1}$

$= (a+b)(a^k + b^k) + ab^k - ba^k$

$= (a+b)(a^k + b^k) - ab(a^{k-1} + b^{k-1})$

$[P(k)]$  is divisible by  $2^k \Rightarrow a^k + b^k = 2^k \cdot x$   
 $[P(k-1)]$  is divisible by  $2^{k-1} \Rightarrow a^{k-1} + b^{k-1} = 2^{k-1} \cdot y$

$= (a+b) 2^k \cdot x - ab(2^{k-1} y)$

$= 6 \cdot 2^k \cdot x - 4(2^{k-1} y)$

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

$= 3 \cdot 2^{k+1} x - 2^{k+1} y$

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

is divisible by  $2^{k+1}$

$P(k+1)$  is true

$P(k+1) = (3 + \sqrt{5})^{k+1} + (3 - \sqrt{5})^{k+1}$

4 By using 2<sup>nd</sup> principle of Mathematical induction  
 Show that n<sup>th</sup> fibonacci series is  $F_n \geq \left[ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right]^{n-2}$

$\forall n \geq 3$

Assume  $F_0 = 0, F_1 = 1$  and  $F_2 = 1$

Given that  $p(n) : F_n \geq \left[ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right]^{n-2} \forall n \geq 3$

Step :- 1

we have to show that  $p(n)$  is true for  $n=3, 4$

$$\begin{aligned} p(3) &= F_3 = F_2 + F_1 \geq \left( \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^{3-2} \\ &= 1+1 \geq \left( \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^1 \\ &= 2 \geq \frac{3.236}{2} = 1.61 \text{ (approx)} \end{aligned}$$

$p(3)$  is true

Similarly we have to show  $p(4)$  is True

$$\begin{aligned} p(4) &= F_4 = F_3 + F_2 \\ &= 2+1 \\ &= 3 \geq \left( \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^{4-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 3 \geq \left[ \frac{3.236}{2} \right] \left( \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^2$$

$$= 3 \geq (1.61) (1.61)$$

$$= 3 \geq 2.57$$

$$= 3 > 2.57 \text{ is true}$$

$p(4)$  is true

Step 2 :-

Assume  $p(k)$  is true for  $k \leq n$  values

$$F_k \geq \left[ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right]^{k-2}$$

Let

$$\alpha = \left[ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow F_k \geq \alpha^{k-2} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Step 3 :-

we have to show  $P(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

$$\Rightarrow P(k+1) : F_{k+1} \geq \left[ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right]^{k-1}$$

Let

$$\alpha = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$2\alpha = 1 + \sqrt{5}$$

$$2\alpha - 1 = \sqrt{5}$$

$$(2\alpha - 1)^2 = (\sqrt{5})^2 = 5$$

$$4\alpha^2 - 4\alpha + 1 = 5$$

$$4\alpha^2 - 4\alpha + 1 - 5 = 0$$

$$4(\alpha^2 - \alpha - 1) = 0$$

$$\alpha^2 - \alpha - 1 = 0$$

$$\alpha^2 = \alpha + 1$$

Now R.H.S  $\left[ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right]^{k-1}$

$$(\alpha^2 - 1) = \alpha^{k-1} \leq \alpha^k$$

$$= \alpha^2 \cdot \alpha^{k-3} \leq \alpha^k$$

$$\geq (\alpha+1) \alpha^{k-3}$$

$$= \alpha^{k-2} + \alpha^{k-3}$$

from  $\textcircled{1}$  wkt,

$F_k \geq \alpha^{k-2}$  and  $F_{k-1} > \alpha^{k-3}$  are true

$$\therefore F_{k+1} \geq \alpha^{k-2} + \alpha^{k-3}$$

$$F_{k+1} \geq \alpha^{k-1} \left[ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right]^{k-1}$$

$$F_{k+1} \geq \left[ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right]^{k-1}$$



Hence by 2<sup>nd</sup> principle of Mathematical Induction,  $P(n)$  is true  $\forall n \geq 3$

Well ordering principle :-

Every non-empty set of integers contain at least element

Every non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  has a smallest element

Ex:  $\{-3, -2, -1\} \Rightarrow$  The well ordered  
 $\Rightarrow$   $\{$  smallest element is  $\{-3\}$

$\{5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0, -1, \dots\} \Rightarrow$  Not well ordered

$\{$  Since it is in decreasing and we cannot identify what is the least element in the set  $\}$

To prove well ordering using Induction :-

(i) show that  $P_1$  is True

(ii) Assume that  $P_k$  is true

(iii) show that  $P(k+1)$  is true if  $P_k$  is true

Ex: prove that  $2^{n+2} + 3^{2n+1}$  is divisible by 7

Proof: (i) :- show that  $P_1$  is true

$\therefore n$  is an element of positive integer, the

Smallest element = 1

$$\Rightarrow 2^{n+2} + 3^{2n+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{1+2} + 3^{2(1)+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 + 3^3$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + 27$$

$$\Rightarrow 35$$

which is divisible by 7

$\therefore P(1)$  is true for  $n=1$

OR - sum  
And - product

(ii) Assume  $P_k$  is true for  $n=k$

$$P(k) = 2^{k+2} + 3^{2k+1} \text{ is divisible by } 7$$

$$2^{k+2} + 3^{2k+1} = 7m$$

$$2^{k+2} = 7m - 3^{2k+1} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$\therefore P(n)$  is true for  $n=k$

(iii) we have to prove that  $P(n)$  is true for

$$n = k+1$$

$$P(k+1) = 2^{k+1+2} + 3^{2(k+1)+1} \text{ is divisible by } 7$$

$$= 2^{k+3} + 3^{2k+3}$$

$$= 2^{k+2} \cdot 2 + 3^{2k+3}$$

from eq.  $\textcircled{1}$

$$(7m - 3^{2k+1}) \cdot 2 + 3^{2k+3}$$

$$7 \cdot 2m - 2 \cdot 3^{2k+1} + 3^{2k+1} \cdot 3^2$$

$$7 \cdot 2m + 3^{2k+1} (9 - 2)$$

$$7 \cdot 2m + 3^{2k+1} \cdot 7$$

$$7(2m + 3^{2k+1}) \text{ is divisible by } 7$$

$\therefore P(n)$  is true for  $n=k+1$

Hence  $2^{n+2} + 3^{2n+1}$  is divisible by 7  $\therefore$

Smallest element = 1

$$\Rightarrow 2^{n+2} + 3^{2n+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{1+2} + 3^{2(1)+1}$$

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which is divisible by 7

for  $n=1$

# Recursion :-

Solve the main problem by using solution of

Simple sub problems of same type

Eg:  $N! = N(N-1)!$

$5! = 5(5-1)!$

$\Rightarrow \text{fact}(5) = 5 * \text{fact}(4)$

$\Rightarrow \text{fact}(4) = 4 * \text{fact}(3)$

$\Rightarrow \text{fact}(3) = 3 * \text{fact}(2)$

$\Rightarrow \text{fact}(2) = 2 * \text{fact}(1)$

$\Rightarrow \text{fact}(1) = 1 * \text{fact}(0)$

$\Rightarrow \text{fact}(0) = 1$

An algorithm is called recursive if it solve a problem by reducing it to instance of same problem with small inputs

Eg: find  $\text{gcd}(8, 13)$

if  $a=0$  then

return  $b$

else

return  $\text{gcd}(1 \text{ mod } a, a)$

end if

{ output is  $\text{gcd}(a, b)$  }

here  $a=0$  then 1 is returned

$\text{gcd}(8, 13) = 1$

$\text{gcd}(8, 13)$

$\Rightarrow \text{gcd}(13 \text{ mod } 8, 8) \Rightarrow (5, 8)$

$\Rightarrow \text{gcd}(8 \text{ mod } 5, 5) \Rightarrow (3, 5)$

$\Rightarrow \text{gcd}(5 \text{ mod } 3, 3) \Rightarrow (2, 3)$

$\Rightarrow \text{gcd}(3 \text{ mod } 2, 2) \Rightarrow (1, 2)$

$\Rightarrow \text{gcd}(0 \text{ mod } 1, 1) \Rightarrow (0, 1)$