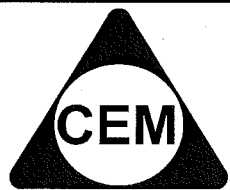


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**YEAR 12 – EXT. 1 MATHS**

**REVIEW TOPIC (SP2)**

**MATHEMATICAL INDUCTION**

**CEM – Yr 12 – 3U Mathematical Induction – Review Booklet – Paper 2**

1. Prove by Mathematical Induction that  $7^n - 3^n$  is divisible by 4

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2. Prove by Mathematical Induction that  $3^n + 5$  is divisible by 8 for all ODD positive integers  $n$ .

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3. Use mathematical induction to prove that

$$1 + 6 + 15 + \dots + n(2n - 1) = \frac{1}{6}n(4n - 1)(n + 1)$$

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4. Prove by mathematical induction that  $n^3 + 2n$  is divisible by 3 for all positive integers  $n$ .

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5. Use mathematical induction to prove that  $3^{2^n-1} + 5$  is divisible by 8, for all integers  $n$ ,  $n \geq 1$ .

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6. Use Mathematical induction to show that  $5^n > 3^n + 4^n$  for all positive integers  $n \geq 3$ .

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7. Use the principle of mathematical induction to prove that  $3^{2^n} - 1$  is divisible by 8 when  $n$  is a positive integer.



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8. Use mathematical induction to prove that  $4 \times 2^n + 3^{2n}$  is divisible by 5 for all integers  $n, n \geq 0$ .

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9. Use Mathematical Induction to show that for all positive integers  $n \geq 1$

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

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10. (i) By squaring both sides, show that  $2n + 3 > 2\sqrt{(n+1)(n+2)}$  for  $n > 0$ .  
(ii) Prove by mathematical induction that

$$1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} > 2(\sqrt{n+1} - 1)$$

for all positive integer values of  $n$ .

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Answers

1. Q5 Prove true for  $n=1$   
 $7^1 - 3^1 = 4$  which is divisible by 4 ✓  
 Assume true for  $n=k$   
 i.e.  $7^k - 3^k = 4Q$  ( $Q \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ )  
 $7^k = 4Q + 3^k$  ✓  
 Prove true for  $n=k+1$   
 i.e.  $7^{k+1} - 3^{k+1} = 4P$  ( $P \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ )  
 $LHS = 7^k \times 7 - 3^k \times 3$   
 $= (4Q + 3^k)7 - 3^k \times 3$  ✓  
 $= 28Q + 4(3^k)$   
 $= 4(7Q + 3^k)$   
 $= 4P$  where  $P = 7Q + 3^k$   
 $\therefore$  If true for  $n=k$  this is true for  $n=k+1$ . But it is true for  $n=1$   
 $\therefore$  true for 2, 3... all integral  $k$ .  
 $\therefore$  Result is proven true by M.I. ✓

2. Q6  $3^n + 5$   
 Step 1  
 Prove the statement is true for  $n=1$   
 $3 \times 5 = 9$  (True) ✓  
 Step 2  
 Assume the statement is true for  $n=k$   
 (where  $k$  is an odd integer)  
 Hence  $3^k + 5 = 8M$  ( $M$  is an element of  $\mathbb{Z}$ )  
 $3^k = 8M - 5$   
 Step 3  
 Prove the statement is true for  $n=k+2$   
 $f(k+2) = 3^{k+2} + 5$   
 $= 9[3^k] + 5$   
 $= 9[8M - 5] + 5$  from Step 2  
 $= 72M - 40$  ✓  
 $= 8[9M - 5]$  (hence divisible by 8 or 8 is a factor)  
 Hence, if the statement is true for  $n=k$ , it is true for  $n=k+2$ .  
 But the statement is true for  $n=1$   
 $\therefore$  the statement is true for  $n=3$  etc.  
 Therefore, the statement is true for all odd integers  $n$ .

3. Q6 Prove true  $n=1$   
 $LHS = 1$   $RHS = \frac{1}{6}(1)(3)(2)$   
 $= 1$   
 $\therefore LHS = RHS$  ①  
 ② Assume true for  $n=k$ .  
 $1+6+15+\dots+k(2k-1) = \frac{1}{6}k(4k-1)$   
 ③ Prove true for  $n=k+1$   
 $1+6+15+\dots+k(2k-1)+(k+1)(2k+1)$   
 $= \frac{1}{6}(k+1)(4k+3)(k+2)$   
 ④  $LHS = \frac{1}{6}k(4k-1)(k+1) + (k+1)(2k)$   
 $= \frac{1}{6}(k+1)[k(4k-1) + 6(2k)]$   
 $= \frac{1}{6}(k+1)(4k^2 - k + 12k + 6)$   
 $= \frac{1}{6}(k+1)(4k^2 + 11k + 6)$   
 $= \frac{1}{6}(k+1)(4k+3)(k+2)$  ①  
 $= RHS$ .  
 ⑤ If true for  $n=k$ , then true for  $n=k+1$ .  
 Since true for  $n=1$ , the true for  $n=2$  etc.  
 $\therefore$  true for all positive integers

4. Q6 Prove  $n^3 + 2n$  is divisible by 3 for all positive integers  $n$ .  
Q7  
 Step 1 Prove true for  $n=1$   
 $1^3 + 2 \times 1 = 3$  which is divisible by 3  $\therefore$  True for  $n=1$   
 Step 2 Assume true for  $n=k$  ( $k$  integer)  
 $k^3 + 2k = 3m$  ( $m$  integer)  
 Step 3 Prove true for  $n=k+1$   
 $(k+1)^3 + 2(k+1)$   
 $= k^3 + 3k^2 + 3k + 1 + 2k + 2$   
 $= (k^3 + 2k) + (3k^2 + 3k + 3)$   
 $= 3m + 3(k^2 + k + 1)$   
 which is divisible by 3 since  $k^2 + k + 1 = \text{integer}$ .  
 $\therefore$  True for  $n=k+1$   
 Step 4 Since true for  $n=1$  and having assumed true for  $n=k$  and subsequently proven true for  $n=k+1$ , then result is true by Math. Induction for all positive integers  $n$ . ④

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5. Test for  $n = 1$ :  $3^{(2 \times 1) - 1} + 5 = 8$  which is divisible by 8. Thus it is true for  $n = 1$ .  
 Assume 8 divides  $3^{2k-1} + 5$ .  
 $\therefore 3^{2k-1} + 5 = 8\lambda$  where  $\lambda$  is an integer  
 i.e.  $3^{2k-1} = 8\lambda - 5$

Test for  $n = k + 1$ :  
 $3^{2(k+1)-1} + 5 = 3^2 \times 3^{2k-1} + 5$   
 $= 9 \times (8\lambda - 5) + 5$   
 $= 72\lambda - 40$   
 $= 8(9\lambda - 5)$

$8(9\lambda - 5)$  is divisible by 8 as  $9\lambda - 5$  is an integer. Thus if  $3^{2n-1} + 5$  is divisible by 8 for an integer value of  $n$ , then it is divisible by 8 for the following integer value of  $n$ . Since it is divisible by 8 for  $n = 1$  and  $n = 2$ , it is divisible by 8 for all positive integers  $n$ .

6. Define the sequence of statements  $S(n): 5^n > 3^n + 4^n, n = 3, 4, 5, \dots$   
 Consider  $S(3)$ :  $5^3 = 125, 3^3 + 4^3 = 91 \Rightarrow 5^3 > 3^3 + 4^3 \therefore S(3)$  is true.  
 If  $S(k)$  is true:  $5^k > 3^k + 4^k$  \*\*  
 Consider  $S(k+1)$ :  $5^{k+1} = 5 \cdot 5^k$   
 $> 5(3^k + 4^k)$  if  $S(k)$  is true, using \*\*  
 $= 5 \cdot 3^k + 5 \cdot 4^k$   
 $> 3 \cdot 3^k + 4 \cdot 4^k$   
 $= 3^{k+1} + 4^{k+1}$

Hence if  $S(k)$  is true, then  $S(k+1)$  is true. But  $S(3)$  is true, hence  $S(4)$  is true, and then  $S(5)$  is true and so on. Hence by Mathematical induction,  $5^n > 3^n + 4^n$  for all positive integers  $n \geq 3$ .

7. ~~Show true for  $n=1$~~   
 $3^2 - 1 = 8 \therefore$  divisible by 8  
 let statement be true for  $n=k$   
 $\therefore 3^{2k} - 1 = 8M$   
 Need to show true for  $n=k+1$   
 $3^{2(k+1)} - 1 = 3^{2k+2} - 1$   
 $= 3^{2k} \cdot 3^2 - 1$   
 $= 3^{2k} \cdot 9 - 1$   
 $= 3^{2k} \cdot 9 - 9 + 8$   
 $= 9(3^{2k} - 1) + 8$   
 $= 9 \cdot 8M + 8$   
 $= 8(9M + 1)$   
 $\therefore$  divisible by 8  
 Since true for  $n=1$  then  
 must be true for  $n=1, 2$   
 then  $n=2, 3 \therefore$  true for all  $n \geq 1$

8. To prove  $4 \times 2^n + 3^{2n}$  is divisible by 5 for integers  $n \geq 0$ :

- Test for  $n = 0$ .  
 $4 \times 2^0 + 3^0 = 5$   
 $\therefore$  true for  $n = 0$ .
- Assume  $4 \times 2^k + 3^{2k}$  is divisible by 5 for integers  $k \geq 0$ .  
 $\therefore 4 \times 2^k + 3^{2k} = 5M$  for an integer  $M$ .
- Required to prove  $4 \times 2^{k+1} + 3^{2(k+1)} = 5J$ , for an integer  $J$ .

**Proof**  
 $4 \times 2^{k+1} + 3^{2(k+1)}$   
 $= 4 \times 2 \times 2^k + 3^2 \times 3^{2k}$   
 $= 8 \times 2^k + 9 \times (5M - 4 \times 2^k)$   
 $= 8 \times 2^k + 45M - 36 \times 2^k$   
 $= -28 \times 2^k + 45M$   
 $= 5(-20 \times 2^k + 9M)$   
 As  $M$  is an integer,  $K$  is an integer, then  $[-20 \times 2^k + 9M]$  is an integer also.  
 $\therefore 4 \times 2^{k+1} + 3^{2(k+1)} = 5J$ , for an integer  $J$ .  
 $\therefore$  The expression is divisible by 5.
- If the expression is divisible by 5 for a value of  $n$ , then it is divisible by 5 for the following integral value of  $n$ . It has been shown to be divisible by 5 for  $n = 0$  and so is divisible by 5 for  $n = 1, n = 2$  etc.

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9. Let  $S(n)$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  be the sequence of statements  $\sum_{r=1}^n \frac{r+2}{r(r+1)2^r} = 1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)2^n}$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Consider  $S(1)$ :  $LHS = \frac{3}{1 \times 2 \times 2} = \frac{4-1}{2 \times 2^1} = 1 - \frac{1}{2 \times 2^1} = RHS$ .  $\therefore S(1)$  is true.

If  $S(k)$  is true:  $\sum_{r=1}^k \frac{r+2}{r(r+1)2^r} = 1 - \frac{1}{(k+1)2^k}$  \*\*

Consider  $S(k+1)$ :  $LHS = \sum_{r=1}^{k+1} \frac{r+2}{r(r+1)2^r}$   
 $= \sum_{r=1}^k \frac{r+2}{r(r+1)2^r} + \frac{(k+1)+2}{(k+1)(k+2)2^{k+1}}$   
 $= 1 - \frac{1}{(k+1)2^k} + \frac{(k+1)+2}{(k+1)(k+2)2^{k+1}}$  if  $S(k)$  is true, using \*\*  
 $= 1 - \frac{2(k+2) - (k+3)}{(k+1)(k+2)2^{k+1}}$   
 $= 1 - \frac{k+1}{(k+1)(k+2)2^{k+1}}$   
 $= 1 - \frac{1}{(k+2)2^{k+1}}$   
 $= RHS$

Hence if  $S(k)$  is true, then  $S(k+1)$  is true. But  $S(1)$  is true, hence  $S(2)$  is true, and then  $S(3)$  is true and so on. Hence by mathematical induction  $S(n)$  is true for all positive integers  $n \geq 1$ .

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10. (b) (i)  $LHS^2 = (2n+3)^2$   
 $= 4n^2 + 12n + 9$   
 $RHS^2 = 4(n+1)(n+2)$   
 $= 4n^2 + 12n + 8$   
 $\therefore LHS^2 - RHS^2 = 1 > 0$

$\therefore LHS^2 > RHS^2$   
 $\therefore LHS > RHS$  (since LHS and RHS are both positive for  $n > 0$ )

(ii) When  $n=1$ ,  $LHS = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} = 1$   
 and  $RHS = 2(\sqrt{2}-1) \doteq 0.8$   
 $\therefore LHS > RHS$ , so the result is true for  $n=1$ .

Suppose that the result is true for the positive integer  $n=k$ ,

i.e. suppose that  $1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} > 2(\sqrt{k+1}-1)$  (\*)

Prove that the result is true for  $n=k+1$ ,

i.e. prove that  $1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}} > 2(\sqrt{k+2}-1)$ .

$LHS = 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}}$

$> 2(\sqrt{k+1}-1) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}}$  (using \*)

$= \frac{2[(k+1)-\sqrt{k+1}] + 1}{\sqrt{k+1}}$

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

$> \frac{2\sqrt{(k+1)(k+2)} - 2\sqrt{k+1}}{\sqrt{k+1}}$  (using part (i))

$= 2(\sqrt{k+2}-1)$

$= RHS$ , so the result is true for  $n=k+1$  if it is true for  $n=k$ .