



Methods Of Solving Equations Related to Whole and Fractional Part of a Number

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ABSTRACT

This article is devoted to equations related to integer and fractional parts of numbers, and methods for their solution. The article is aimed at developing students' knowledge and skills related to the subject.

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It is known that the subject of whole numbers and fractions is not included in the school mathematics course, and very few hours are allocated in academic lyceums. But there are many questions related to this topic in mathematics Olympiads and various examinations. Finding information on the subject in the literature is a bit more difficult. Therefore, in this article, we have presented some information on the topic and some recommendations on methods of solving equations related to the whole and fractional parts of the number.

Definition. The largest integer n that does not exceed the real number x is called the integer part of the number x and it is defined as $[x]$.

Definition. A fractional part of a number is a part of it that is not less than zero, but less than one, and is denoted as $\{x\}$. The fractional part of the number consists of the interval $0 \leq \{x\} < 1$.

Properties of integer and fractional parts of a number:

1. Any real number x can be written as $x = [x] + \{x\}$.

2. The fractional part of a number is found using the formula $\{x\} = x - [x]$.

3. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $[x] = n$, then $n \leq x < n + 1$ the inequality holds. If $[x] = -n$, then $-n - 1 < x \leq -n$ the inequality holds.

4. For the entire part of the number, the equality $[x+1] = [x] + 1$ is appropriate. In general, the relation $[x+n] = [x] + n$ holds for any integer n .

5. For the fractional part of the number, the equality $\{x+1\} = \{x\}$ is appropriate. The relation $\{x+n\} = \{x\}$ is also fulfilled for an arbitrary integer n .

7. If the equality $\{x\} = \{y\}$ holds, then the difference $x - y$ is an integer.

8. For any real number x , the equality $\{x\} + \{-x\} = 1$ is valid.

9. If $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ so, the equality $[x+y] = [x] + [y]$ is valid. If $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ so, the $[x + y] \geq [x] + [y]$ attitude will be appropriate. [3]

Here are some ways to solve problems related to whole and fractional parts of a number.

Issue 1. Solve the equation. $[x] + [3x] + [5x] = 4$

Solution: From the equation, we can see that the problem at $x < 0$ and $x > 1$ has no solution. Now we will consider all possible cases.

$$1) [x] = 0 \quad 0 \leq x < 1$$

$$[3x] = 2 \quad \frac{2}{3} \leq x < 1$$

$$[5x] = 2 \quad \frac{2}{5} \leq x < \frac{3}{5} \text{ from this } \frac{2}{5} \leq x < \frac{3}{5}$$

$$[x] = 0 \quad [3x] = 1 \quad [5x] = 2 \quad 0 + 1 + 2 = 3 \neq 4 \quad \emptyset$$

$$2) [x] = 0 \quad 0 \leq x < 1$$

$$[3x] = 1 \quad \frac{1}{3} \leq x < \frac{2}{3}$$

$$[5x] = 3 \quad \frac{3}{5} \leq x < \frac{4}{5} \text{ from this } \frac{3}{5} \leq x < \frac{4}{5}$$

$$[x] = 0 \quad [3x] = 1 \quad [5x] = 3 \quad 0 + 1 + 3 = 4.$$

Hence the answer. $\frac{3}{5} \leq x < \frac{4}{5}$

Issue 2. Solve the equation. $[x] + [2x] + [3x] = 3$ [2]

Solution: From the equation, we can see that the problem at $x < 0$ and $x > 1$ has no solution. Now we will consider all possible cases.

$$[x] = 0 \quad 0 \leq x < 1$$

$$[2x] = 1 \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq x < 1$$

$$[3x] = 2 \quad \frac{2}{3} \leq x < 1 \text{ from this } \frac{2}{3} \leq x < 1$$

$$[x] = 0 \quad [2x] = 1 \quad [3x] = 2 \quad 0 + 1 + 2 = 3. \text{ Answer. } \frac{2}{3} \leq x < 1$$

Issue 3. $\{ \sin x \} = \sin x$ solve the equation.

Solution: $[x] + \{x\} = x \quad [\sin x](\sin x - [\sin x]) = \sin x$

$$1) -1 < \sin x < 0$$

$$[\sin x] = -1, \quad \sin x = \frac{1}{2}, \quad x = \pm \frac{\pi}{6} + \pi n$$

$$2) 0 < \sin x < 1$$

$$[\sin x] = 0, \quad \sin x = 0, \quad x = \pi n$$

$$3) \sin x - 1 = \sin x \quad \emptyset$$

Issue 4. Solve the equation. $\{ \cos x \} = \cos x$.

Solution: $[x] + \{x\} = x \quad [\cos x](\cos x - [\cos x]) = \cos x$

$$1) -1 < \cos x < 0 \quad [\cos x] = 0 > -1$$

$$\cos x = -\frac{1}{2} \quad x \in \mp \frac{\pi}{3} + 2\pi n$$

$$2) 0 < \cos x < 1 \quad [\cos x] = 0 \quad \cos x = 0 \quad x = \frac{\pi}{2} + \pi n$$

$$3) \cos x = 1, \quad \cos x - 1 = \cos x, \quad \emptyset$$

Issue 5. $\int_1^3 [e^x] dx$ calculate the integral.

Solution: In order to calculate this integral, we need to know what powers of e are integers.

$$e^1 = 2.71 \dots$$

$$e^{a_0} = 3 \quad a_0 = \ln 3$$

$$e^{a_1} = 4 \quad a_1 = \ln 4$$

$$e^{a_2} = 5 \quad a_2 = \ln 5$$

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$$e^{a_{16}} = 19 \quad a_{16} = \ln 19$$

$$e^{a_{17}} = 20 \quad a_{17} = \ln 20$$

And from that, $\int_1^3 [e^x] dx = \int_1^{a_0} [e^x] dx + \int_{a_0}^{a_1} [e^x] dx + \int_{a_1}^{a_2} [e^x] dx + \dots + \int_{a_{16}}^{a_{17}} [e^x] dx +$

$$\int_{a_{17}}^3 [e^x] dx = \int_1^{a_0} 2 dx + \int_{a_0}^{a_1} 3 dx + \int_{a_1}^{a_2} 4 dx + \int_{a_2}^{a_3} 5 dx + \dots + \int_{a_{16}}^{a_{17}} 19 dx + \int_{a_{17}}^3 20 dx = 2x|_1^{a_0} + 3x|_{a_0}^{a_1} + 4x|_{a_1}^{a_2} + 5x|_{a_2}^{a_3} + \dots + 19x|_{a_{16}}^{a_{17}} + 20x|_{a_{17}}^3 = 2(a_0 - 1) + 3(a_1 - a_0) + 4(a_2 - a_1) + \dots + 19(a_{17} - a_{16}) + 20(3 - a_{17}) = 58 - a_0 - a_1 - a_2 - a_3 - a_4 - \dots - a_{16} - a_{17} = 58 - \ln 3 - \ln 4 - \ln 5 - \ln 6 - \dots - \ln 19 - \ln 20 = 58 - (\ln 3 + \ln 4 + \ln 5 + \dots + \ln 19 + \ln 20) = 58 - \ln 3 * 4 * 5 * \dots * 19 * 20 = 58 - \ln \frac{20!}{2}$$

Issue 6. Calculate the integral. $\int_1^6 [x] dx$

Solution: $\int_1^6 [x] dx = \int_1^2 dx + \int_2^3 2 dx + \int_3^4 3 dx + \int_4^5 4 dx + \int_5^6 5 dx =$
 $= x|_1^2 + 2x|_2^3 + 3x|_3^4 + 4x|_4^5 + 5x|_5^6 = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 = 15$

Issue 7. $\int_1^3 \{x^{[x]}\} dx$ calculate the integral.

Solution: $\int_1^3 \{x^{[x]}\} dx = \int_1^2 (x - [x])^{[x]} dx = \int_1^2 (x - 1) dx + \int_2^3 (x - 2)^2 dx = \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - x\right)\Big|_1^2 +$
 $\left(\frac{x^2}{2} - 2x^2 + 4x\right)\Big|_2^3 = 2 - 2 - \frac{1}{2} + 1 + \frac{9}{2} - 18 + 12 - 2 + 8 - 8 = 5$

Issue 8. $\int_1^4 [x]\{x\} dx$ calculate the integral.

Solution: $\int_1^4 [x]\{x\} dx = \int_1^2 [x](x - [x]) dx = \int_1^2 (x - 1) dx + \int_2^3 2(x - 2) dx +$
 $\int_3^4 3(x - 3) dx = \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - x\right)\Big|_1^2 + 2\left(\frac{x^2}{2} - 2x\right)\Big|_2^3 + 3\left(\frac{x^2}{2} - 3x\right)\Big|_3^4 = \frac{1}{2} - 3 + 4 + 15 - \frac{27}{2} = 3$

Issue 9. $\int_1^4 \frac{\{x\}}{[x]} dx$ calculate the integral.

Solution: $\int_1^4 \frac{\{x\}}{[x]} dx = \int_1^2 \frac{x - [x]}{[x]} dx = \int_1^2 \frac{x-1}{1} dx + \int_2^3 \frac{x-2}{2} dx + \int_3^4 \frac{x-3}{3} dx = \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - x\right)\Big|_1^2 + \left(\frac{x^2}{4} -$
 $x\right)\Big|_2^3 + \left(\frac{x^2}{6} - x\right)\Big|_3^4 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{4}{3} = \frac{11}{12}$ [1]

In conclusion, it will be effective if the methods covered in the subject are used in the preparation of schoolchildren for various Olympiads.

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