

Homework 1

1.) Sums: Provide closed-form sol'n, along with brief explanation

a.) $\sum_{i=12}^N 5^i \Rightarrow$ exponential series $\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n x^k = \frac{x^{n+1}-1}{x-1}$

$$\sum_{i=12}^N 5^i = \sum_{i=0}^N 5^i - \sum_{i=0}^{11} 5^i \quad \hookrightarrow \text{only applies to sums } 0:n!$$

$$\frac{5^{N+1}-1}{5-1} - \frac{5^{11+1}-1}{5-1} = \frac{1}{4}(5^{N+1}-1-(5^{12}-1))$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{4}(5^{N+1}-5^{12})}$$

b.) $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{3}{11^i} = 3 \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{11}\right)^i \Rightarrow$ Geometric series

$$= 3 \left(\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{11}} \right) = 3 \left(\frac{1}{\frac{10}{11}} \right) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k = \frac{1}{1-x}$$

$$= 3 \left(\frac{11}{10} \right) = \boxed{\frac{33}{10}}$$

c.) $\sum_{i=1}^N (8i^2 - 21i + 9) \Rightarrow$ linearity

$$= 8 \sum_{i=1}^N i^2 - 21 \sum_{i=1}^N i + 9 \sum_{i=1}^N 1 \Rightarrow \text{sum of squares; arithmetic series}$$

$$= 8 \left(\frac{N(N+1)(2N+1)}{6} \right) - 21 \left(\frac{N(N+1)}{2} \right) + 9(N)$$

$$\boxed{= \frac{4}{3}(N(N+1)(2N+1)) - \frac{21}{2}(N(N+1)) + 9(N)}$$

d.) $\sum_{i=6}^{315} \left(\frac{1}{i}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{315} \left(\frac{1}{i}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^5 \left(\frac{1}{i}\right) \Rightarrow$ Harmonic Series

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} = \ln(n) + \text{constant}$$

$$\ln(315) + \text{constant} - (\ln(5) + \text{constant}) \Rightarrow \ln(315/5) + \text{constant} = \ln(63) + \text{constant}$$

$$\ln(a) - \ln(b) = \ln(a/b)$$

e.) $\sum_{i=1}^{3^N} (\log_{18}(i)) \Rightarrow$ substitute $m = 3^N$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m (\log_{18}(i)) \Rightarrow \log(x) + \log(y) = \log(xy)$$

$$= \log_{18}(m!) = \boxed{\log_{18}(3^N!)}$$

2.) Exponents and logs

a.) $x^8 \cdot x^{12} \cdot x^{15} \dots x^N \Rightarrow x^a \cdot x^b = x^{a+b}$

$$= x^{\sum_{i=1}^N i} = x^{\sum_{i=1}^{10} i} = \boxed{x^{\frac{N(N+1)}{2} - 10 \cdot 11}}$$

b.) $\log_{17}(47 \cdot 47 \cdot 47 \cdot 47) \Rightarrow \log(x^8) = 8 \log(x)$

$$\boxed{4 \log_{17}(47)} \approx 5.436$$

$$\dots \dots \dots \log_{17}(47)$$

$$c.) \log_x((2x)^y) \Rightarrow \log(x^y) = y \log(x)$$

$$x \log_x(2x) \Rightarrow \log(a \cdot b) = \log(a) + \log(b)$$

$$x(\log_x(x) + \log_x(2)) = \boxed{x(1 + \log_x(2))}$$

$$d.) 72^{\log_{72}(152)} \Rightarrow b^{\log_b(k)} = k$$

$$\boxed{= 152}$$

3.) Combinatorics

a.) How many 6-digit decimal numbers do not contain any digits < 3 ?

can choose digits 3:9 = 7 digits
order matters, repeats allowed $\Rightarrow n^r$

$$\boxed{= 7^6}$$

b.) How many ways can you pick 9 different numbers between 17 and 68? Order doesn't matter.

(include 17)
 $68 - 16 = 52$; 52 choose 9, no replacement

$$\boxed{52C_9 ; \binom{52}{9}}$$