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MM101 Introduction to Calculus

Exercises: Chapter 7

1. Use sigma notation to write down
 - (i) the sum of the first 20 positive integers;
 - (iii) the sum of the first 15 even positive integers;
 - (iii) the sum of the cubes of the first 10 positive integers;
 - (iv) the sum of the integers between 15 and 25, inclusive.
2. Write out in full (i.e. without using sigma notation):

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \text{(i)} \quad \sum_{r=1}^5 r^4 & \text{(ii)} \quad \sum_{r=1}^5 (2r-1)^2 & \text{(iii)} \quad \sum_{r=1}^n (2r)^2 \\
 \text{(iv)} \quad \sum_{j=1}^4 (3j)^2 & \text{(v)} \quad \sum_{k=1}^6 kx^k & \text{(vi)} \quad \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{x^r}{r!} .
 \end{array}$$

3. Given that

$$\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 = n(n+1)(2n+1)/6,$$

determine

$$\text{(a)} \quad 1 + 4 + 9 + 16 + 25 + \dots + 400, \quad \text{(b)} \quad 2^2 + 4^2 + 6^2 + \dots + (2n)^2.$$

4. Use the identity

$$\sum_{j=1}^n ((j+1)^4 - j^4) = \sum_{j=1}^n (4j^3 + 6j^2 + 4j + 1)$$

to show that the sum of the first n cubes is given by

$$\sum_{j=1}^n j^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}.$$

5. Use the formulas for $\sum_{r=1}^n r^p$ for $p = 1, 2, 3$ in the lecture notes to find expressions for the following.

$$\text{(a)} \quad \sum_{r=1}^n (2r^3 + (r+1)^2), \quad \text{(b)} \quad \sum_{r=1}^n (3r^3 + 2r^2 + 3r + 5).$$

6. Apply Definition 7.5 directly to verify that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n-1}{n} = 1$. (That is, do not use Theorem 7.6, but find N for a given ϵ as in Examples 7F).
7. Determine which of the following sequences $\{u_n\}$ converge. Find the limit of each convergent sequence. (You may use the results in Theorem 7.6).

$$(a) \quad u_n = \frac{1-2n}{1+2n}, \quad (b) \quad u_n = \frac{3+4n^4}{n^4+3n^3}, \quad (c) \quad u_n = \frac{n^2-2n+1}{n-1}.$$

8. Determine the value of

$$2/3 + 2^2/3^2 + 2^3/3^3 + \dots$$

9. In the notes, we derive the following formula for the sum to n terms of a geometric series (for $r \neq 1$):

$$\sum_{k=0}^n ar^k = a \frac{1-r^{n+1}}{1-r}.$$

Use a similar method to derive a formula for the sum

$$1 \times 3 + 2 \times 3^2 + 3 \times 3^3 + 4 \times 3^4 + \dots + n \times 3^n,$$

then generalise this to get a general formula for

$$\sum_{k=1}^n akr^k.$$

Exercises: Chapter 8

- Without using a calculator, evaluate $5!$, $6!$, $7!$, \dots , $10!$.
- Use your calculator to find $20!$, $30!$ and $40!$. (Your calculator may have a “factorial function key”.) What is the smallest value of n for which your calculator produces an E (for ERROR)? Why has this happened?
- Factorise (a) $5! + 4!$ (b) $100! - 98!$ (c) $(n+1)! - n!$.
- Without using a calculator, evaluate

$$(a) \quad \frac{15! - 13!}{11!2!}, \quad (b) \quad \frac{12! + 11!}{8!3!}.$$

- By putting the LHS over a common denominator, show that for any positive integer n (with $n > 2$)

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

- Compute the values of

$$(a) \quad \binom{7}{2}, \quad (b) \quad \binom{6}{r} \quad \text{for } r = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 6.$$

- Find r if

$$\binom{14}{r} = \binom{14}{r-4}.$$

- Extend Pascal’s Triangle by two more rows and hence write out the binomial expansion of

$$(i) \quad (a+b)^7 \quad (ii) \quad (a+b)^8.$$

- Use the binomial expansion to expand the following expressions, simplifying the terms in the expansion where possible.

$$\begin{array}{lll} (i) & (x-y)^4 & (ii) \quad (2x+y)^5 \quad (iii) \quad (2p+3q)^4 \\ (iv) & (x-2y)^6 & (v) \quad (4r-3s)^5 \quad (vi) \quad \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^5 \\ (vii) & \left(2y^2 - \frac{1}{3y}\right)^4. & \end{array}$$

- Find

- the coefficient of x^5 in the expansion of $(1+2x)^9$.
- the coefficient of x^3 in the expansion of $\left(x + \frac{3}{x}\right)^7$.

- (iii) the constant term in the expansion of $\left(3x - \frac{2}{x^2}\right)^{12}$.

11. Write out

- (i) the first four terms in the expansion of $(1 + 2x)^9$.
(ii) the first three terms in the expansion of $\left(1 + \frac{3}{x^2}\right)^7$.
(iii) first four terms in the expansion of $\left(1 - \frac{x^2}{3}\right)^8$.

12. Show that

$$\binom{n+1}{r} = \binom{n}{r-1} + \binom{n}{r}.$$

This is the rule for calculating the numbers in Pascal's Triangle.

13. (a) By choosing particular values of x and y in the binomial expansion of $(x + y)^n$, show that

$$(i) \quad \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} = 2^n, \quad (ii) \quad \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \binom{n}{r} = 0.$$

(b)* Use induction to prove the first result in part (a) by induction.

14. Use the Binomial Theorem to find

(a) the coefficient of x^5 in the expansion of $(3x - 2)^7$,

(b) the coefficient of x^3 in the expansion of $\left(2x^2 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^9$.

15. Find the general x^r term in the expansion of $\left(x - \frac{3}{x}\right)^n$.

16. Write down the general term in the expansion of $\left(x^2 - \frac{1}{2x}\right)^{38}$ and hence evaluate the coefficient of the x^{-17} term in this expansion.