

Hometask #6. Sequences and Induction.

1. Write the first four terms of sequences defined by the formulas in a-c ([] – integer part):

a) $c_i = \frac{(-1)^i}{3^i}$, for all integers $i \geq 0$

b) $e_n = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor \cdot 2$, for all integers $n \geq 0$

c) $f_n = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{4} \right\rfloor \cdot 4$, for all integers $n \geq 1$

2. Compute the summations:

a) $\sum_{k=1}^5 (k+1)$

b) $\sum_{k=-1}^1 (k^2 + 3)$

c) $\sum_{m=0}^3 \frac{1}{2^m}$

d) $\sum_{n=1}^{10} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right)$

3. Compute the products

a) $\prod_{k=2}^4 k^2$

b) $\prod_{j=0}^4 (-1)^j$

c) $\prod_{k=2}^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{k} \right)$

d) $\prod_{i=2}^5 \frac{i(i+2)}{(i-1)(i+1)}$

4. Write as single summation or product:

a) $\sum_{i=1}^k i^3 + (k+1)^3$

b) $\sum_{k=1}^m \frac{k}{k+1} + \frac{m+1}{m+2}$

c) $\sum_{m=0}^n (m+1)2^m + (n+2)2^{n+1}$

d) $2 \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n (3k^2 + 4) + 5 \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n (2k^2 - 1)$

e) $\left(\prod_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{k+1} \right) \cdot \left(\prod_{k=1}^n \frac{k+1}{k+2} \right)$

5. Write, using summation or product notation:

a) $1^2 - 2^2 + 3^2 - 4^2 + 5^2 - 6^2 + 7^2$

b) $(2^2 - 1)(3^2 - 1)(4^2 - 1)$

c) $\frac{2}{3 \cdot 4} - \frac{3}{4 \cdot 5} + \frac{4}{5 \cdot 6} - \frac{5}{6 \cdot 7} + \frac{6}{7 \cdot 8}$

d) $(1-t)(1-t^2)(1-t^3)(1-t^4)$

6. Transform by making the change of variable $j = i - 1$

a) $\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{i}{(n-i)^2}$

b) $\prod_{i=n}^{2n} \frac{n-i+1}{n+i}$

7. Prove using mathematical induction

$$4^3 + 4^4 + 4^5 + \dots + 4^n = \frac{4(4^n - 16)}{3} \text{ for all } n \geq 3, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

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$$\prod_{i=0}^n \left(\frac{1}{2i+1} \cdot \frac{1}{2i+2} \right) = \frac{1}{(2n+2)!}, \text{ for all integers } n \geq 1$$