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MATHEMATICS

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CHAPTER 2
PART 5: INFINITE SUMS (SERIES)

Infinite Series

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Must Know STATEMENTS- **do not need** to PROVE the Theorems

Definition

If the limit $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$ **exists** and **is finite**, i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = S,$$

then we say that the infinite sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ **converges** to **S** and we write

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k = S,$$

otherwise the infinite sum **diverges**

Example

Show

The infinite sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n$ **diverges**

The infinite sum $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)}$ **converges to 1**

Example

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The infinite sum $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n$ **diverges**

Proof

We use the Perturbation Method

$$S_n + a_{n+1} = a_0 + \sum_{k=0}^n a_{k+1}$$

to evaluate

$$S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k = \frac{1 + (-1)^{n+1}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2}$$

and we prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2} \right) \quad \text{does not exist}$$

Example

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The infinite sum $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)}$ converges to 1; i.e.

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} = 1$$

Proof: first we evaluate $S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)}$ as follows

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)} = \sum_{k=0}^n k^{-2} = \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} k^{-2} \delta k \\ &= -\frac{1}{k+1} \Big|_0^{n+1} = -\frac{1}{n+2} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{n+2} + 1 = 1$$

Theorem

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If the infinite sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ **converges**, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

Observe that this is equivalent to

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$ then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges

The **reverse** statement

If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges is not always true

The **infinite harmonic sum** $H = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ **diverges** to ∞
even if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$

Theorem

Theorem (D'Alembert's Criterium)

If $a_n \geq 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} < 1$

then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges

Theorem (Cauchy's Criterium)

If $a_n \geq 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} < 1$

then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges

Theorems

Theorem (Divergence Criteria)

If $a_n \geq 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} > 1$ or $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} > 1$

then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ diverges

Convergence/Divergence

Remark

It can happen that for a certain infinite sum $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = 1 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n}$$

In this case our **Divergence Criteria** **do not decide** whether the infinite sum **converges** or **diverges**

We say in this case that that the infinite sum **does not react** on the criteria

There are other, **stronger criteria** for **convergence** and **divergence**

Examples

Example

The Harmonic series $H = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ **does not react** on

D'Alembert's Criterion

Proof: Consider

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n+1}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)} = 1$$

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = 1$ we say, that the **Harmonic series**

$$H = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$$

does not react on D'Alembert's criterium

Examples

Example

The series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}$ **does not react on**

D'Alambert's Criterium (

Proof:

Consider, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)^2}{(n+2)^2}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 2n + 1}{n^2 + 4n + 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \frac{2}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}}{1 + \frac{4}{n} + \frac{4}{n^2}} = 1$$

Since, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = 1$ we say, that the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}$$

does not react on D'Alambert's criterium

Example 1

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$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c^n}{n!}$ converges for $c > 0$

HINT : Use D'Alembert

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} &= \frac{c^{n+1}}{c^n} \frac{n!}{(n+1)!} \\ &= \frac{c}{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

Example

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{c}{n+1} \\ &= 0 < 1\end{aligned}$$

By D'Alembert's Criterion

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c^n}{n!} \quad \text{converges}$$

Example

Example

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{n^n} \quad \text{converges}$$

Proof:

$$a_n = \frac{n!}{n^n}$$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{n!(n+1)}{(n+1)^{n+1}}$$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{n! n^{(n+1)}}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n^n}{n!}$$

$$= (n+1) \cdot \frac{n^n}{(n+1)^{n+1}}$$

Example

$$(n+1)^{n+1} = (n+1)^n (n+1)$$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{(n+1) n^n}{(n+1)^n (n+1)}$$

$$= \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n$$

$$= \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n}$$

Example

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n} \\ &= \frac{1}{e} < 1\end{aligned}$$

By D'Alembert's Criterion the series,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{n^n} \quad \text{converges}$$

Exercise

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Prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{c^n}{n!} = 0 \quad \text{for } c > 0$$

Solution:

We have proved in **Example**

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c^n}{n!} \quad \text{converges for } c > 0$$

Exercise

Theorem says:

IF $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges THEN $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

Hence by **Example** and **Theorem** we have proved that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{c^n}{n!} = 0 \text{ for } c > 0$$

Observe that we have also proved that $n!$ grows faster than c^n

CHAPTER 2: Some Problems

Homework Problem 1

Part 1 Prove that

$$\sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{2k-1} = -\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{(-1)^k}{2k+1}$$

Part 2 Use partial fractions and Part 1 result (must use it!) to evaluate the sum

$$S = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^k k}{(4k^2 - 1)}$$

Homework Problem 2

Show that the ***n*th element** of the sequence:

1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5,

is $\lfloor \sqrt{2n} + \frac{1}{2} \rfloor$

Hint: Let ***P*(*x*)** represent the **position** of the last occurrence of ***x*** in the sequence. Use the fact that $P(x) = \frac{x(x+1)}{2}$

Let the ***n*th element** be ***m***. You need to **find *m***

CHAPTER 3 INTEGER FUNCTIONS

Here are the **proofs** in course material you need to know
for **Final**

Plus, of course the regular **Homework Problems**

PART1: Floors and Ceilings

Prove the following

Fact 3

For any $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lfloor x + y \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor y \rfloor \quad \text{when } 0 \leq \{x\} + \{y\} < 1$$

and

$$\lfloor x + y \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor y \rfloor + 1 \quad \text{when } 1 \leq \{x\} + \{y\} < 2$$

Fact 5

For any $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \geq 0$ the following property holds

$$\lfloor \sqrt{\lfloor x \rfloor} \rfloor = \lfloor \sqrt{x} \rfloor$$

PART1: Floors and Ceilings

Prove the Combined Domains Property

Property 4

$$\sum_{Q(k) \cup R(k)} a_k = \sum_{Q(k)} a_k + \sum_{R(k)} a_k - \sum_{Q(k) \cap R(k)} a_k$$

where, as before,

$k \in K$ and $K = K_1 \times K_2 \cdots \times K_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$

and the above formula represents **single** ($i=1$)

and **multiple** ($i > 1$) sums

Spectrum

Definition

For any $\alpha \in R$ we define a **SPECTRUM** of α as

$$\text{Spec}(\alpha) = \{ \lfloor \alpha \rfloor, \lfloor 2\alpha \rfloor, \lfloor 3\alpha \rfloor, \dots \}$$

$$\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, \dots\}$$

$$\text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \{3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, \dots\}$$

Spectrum Partition Theorem

Spectrum Partition Theorem

1. $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \neq \emptyset$ and $\text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) \neq \emptyset$
2. $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \cap \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \emptyset$
3. $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \cup \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$

Finite Partition Theorem

First, we define certain **finite subsets** A_n , B_n of $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2})$ and $\text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2})$, respectively

Definition

$$A_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

$$B_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

Remember

A_n and B_n are subsets of $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N} - \{0\}$

Finite Partition Theorem

Given sets

$$A_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

$$B_n = \{m \in \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) : m \leq n\}$$

Finite Spectrum Partition Theorem

1. $A_n \neq \emptyset$ and $B_n \neq \emptyset$
2. $A_n \cap B_n = \emptyset$
3. $A_n \cup B_n = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

Counting Elements

Before trying to prove the **Finite Fact** we first look for a closed formula to **count** the number of elements in subsets of a **finite size** of any spectrum

Given a spectrum $Spec(\alpha)$

Denote by $N(\alpha, n)$ the number of elements in the $Spec(\alpha)$ that are $\leq n$, i.e.

$$N(\alpha, n) = | \{ m \in Spec(\alpha) : m \leq n \} |$$

Spectrum Partitions

1. **Justify** that

$$N(\alpha, n) = \sum_{k>0} \left[k < \frac{n+1}{\alpha} \right]$$

2. **Write** a detailed proof of

$$N(\alpha, n) = \left[\frac{n+1}{\alpha} \right] - 1$$

3. **Write** a detailed proof of **Finite Fact**

$$|A_n| + |B_n| = n \quad \text{for any } n \in N - \{0\}$$

Spectrum Partitions

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Spectrum Partitions

Prove - use your favorite proof out of the two I have provided

Spectrum Partition Theorem

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2. $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \cap \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = \emptyset$
3. $\text{Spec}(\sqrt{2}) \cup \text{Spec}(2 + \sqrt{2}) = N - \{0\}$

Generalization

Prove

General Spectrum Partition Theorem

Let $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0, \alpha, \beta \in R - Q$ be such that

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = 1$$

Then the sets

$$A = \{[n\alpha] : n \in N - \{0\}\} = \text{Spec}(\alpha)$$

$$B = \{[n\beta] : n \in N - \{0\}\} = \text{Spec}(\beta)$$

form a **partition** of $Z^+ = N - \{0\}$, i.e.

1. $A \neq \emptyset$ and $B \neq \emptyset$
2. $A \cap B = \emptyset$
3. $A \cup B = Z^+$

PART3: Sums

Write detailed evaluation of

$$\sum_{0 \leq k < n} \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor$$

Hint: use

$$\sum_{0 \leq k < n} \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor = \sum_{0 \leq k < n} \sum_{m \geq 0, m = \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor} m$$

Chapter 4 Material in the Lecture 12

Theorems, Proofs and Problems

P1.

JUSTIFY correctness of the following example and be ready to do similar problems upwards or downwards

Represent **19151** in a system with base **12**

Example

$$19151 = 1595 \cdot 12 + 11$$

$$1595 = 132 \cdot 12 + 11$$

$$132 = 11 \cdot 12 + 0$$

$$a_0 = 11, \quad a_1 = 11, \quad a_2 = 0, \quad a_3 = 11$$

So we get

$$19151 = (11, 0, 11, 11)_{12}$$

Chapter 4

P2. Write a **proof** of Step 1 and Step 2 of the **Proof of Correctness** of **Euclid Algorithm**

P3. Use **Euclid Algorithm** to prove the following

Fact 1 When a product **ac** of two natural numbers is divisible by a number **b** that is **relatively prime** to **a**, the factor **c** must be **divisible by b**

P4. Use **Euclid Algorithm** to prove the following

Fact 2

$$gcd(ka, kb) = k \cdot gcd(a, b)$$

Chapter 4

P5.

Prove:

Any common multiple of **a** and **b** is **divisible** by **lcm(a,b)**

P6.

Prove the following

$$\forall_{p, q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n \in P} (p \mid \prod_{k=1}^n q_k \Rightarrow \exists_{1 \leq i \leq n} (p = q_i))$$

P7.

Write down a formal formulation (in all details) of the **Main Factorization Theorem** and its **General Form**

Chapter 4

P8.

Prove that the representation given by **Main Factorization Theorem** is **unique**

Explain why and show that $18 = \langle 1, 2 \rangle$

Prove

$$k = \gcd(m, n) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad k_p = \min\{m_p, n_p\}$$

$$k = \text{lcd}(m, n) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad k_p = \max\{m_p, n_p\}$$

P9.

Let

$$m = 2^0 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7^0 \quad n = 2^0 \cdot 3^1 \cdot 5^0 \cdot 7^3$$

Evaluate $\gcd(m, n)$ and $k = \text{lcd}(m, n)$

Exercises

P10.

Prove

Theorem

For any $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ such that $\text{lcm}(a, b)$ and $\text{gcd}(a, b)$ exist

$$\text{lcm}(a, b) \cdot \text{gcd}(a, b) = ab$$

Chapter 5

Study **Lectures** and **Homework Problems**

Use them to solve the following

Problem 1 Prove that

$$\binom{x}{m} \binom{m}{k} = \binom{x}{k} \binom{x-k}{m-k}$$

holds for all $m, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}$

Consider all cases and **Polynomial argument**

Problem 2 Prove the Hexagon property for $n, k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\binom{n-1}{k-1} \binom{n}{k+1} \binom{n+1}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k} \binom{n+1}{k+1} \binom{n}{k-1}$$

Chapter 5

Problem 3 Evaluate

$$\sum_k \binom{n}{k}^3 (-1)^k$$

use the formula

$$\sum_k \binom{a+b}{a+k} \binom{b+c}{b+k} \binom{c+a}{c+k} (-1)^k = \frac{(a+b+c)!}{a!b!c!}$$