

EXERCISE 1.

A: The sum of the first n terms of a series with general term a_n is given by

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n = S_n = n^2(n+1)(n+2), \quad n \geq 1.$$

(1) Calculate a_1 , a_2 , and $S_n - S_{n-1}$. Deduce a_n .

(2) Calculate $S_{2n} - S_n$, then show clearly that $\sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} a_k = 3n^2(n+1)(5n+2)$.

B: Let $n \geq 1$. and $S_n = 1 + 11 + 111 + 1111 + 11111 + \dots \underbrace{11111\dots 1}_{n \text{ times}}$.

(1) Find the sum of $A = 10^1 + 10^2 + 10^3 + \dots + 10^n$.

(2) Find in exact simplified form an exact expression for the sum of S_n .

hint : use the fact that $1 = \frac{1}{9} \times 9$, $11 = \frac{1}{9} \times 99$, $111 = \frac{1}{9} \times 999$, and so on.

EXERCISE 2. Let

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & 0 \leq x \leq \pi \\ -x, & -\pi \leq x \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

(a): Sketch f over the interval $[-3\pi, 3\pi]$. Is f even?

(b): Find the Fourier series of f .

(c): State Dirichlet theorem and Parseval's identity for the Fourier series of f .

(d): Deduce the values of the following series : $\sum_{p=0}^{p=+\infty} \frac{1}{(2p+1)^2}$ and $\sum_{p=0}^{p=+\infty} \frac{1}{(2p+1)^4}$.

EXERCISE 3. Determine if the following series converge or diverge

$$a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4^n}{(n+2)^n}, \quad b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n! \left(\frac{3}{n}\right)^n, \quad c) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n}{(2n)!}, \quad d) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-n)^n}{(n+5)^n}.$$

EXERCISE 4.

(A): Let $f_n : [a, +\infty] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $x \mapsto f_n(x) = \ln\left(x + \frac{1}{n}\right)$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $a > 0$. and

$$g_n(x) = \ln\left(\frac{nx+1}{xn}\right).$$

a_1 : Calculate $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$, and show that $g_n(x)$ is decreasing function $\forall x \geq a$.

(a_2): Show that the sequence of functions (f_n) converges uniformly to its limit $f(x)$.

(B): Consider the power series given by $\sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n (2x-3)^n$.

(1) Write the power series as the form $\sum_{n \geq 1} a_n(x-a)$ (i.e : find a_n and a).

(2) Find the radius of convergence, then the interval of convergence.

(3) Find the sum of the series (**Hint :** use the sum of a geometric series).

(4) For $x \in [1, 2]$, express $f(x) = \frac{-2x+3}{2x-2}$ as a power series.

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EXERCISE 1.(Solution)

A: The sum of the first n terms of a series with general term a_n is given by

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n = S_n = n^2(n+1)(n+2), \quad n \geq 1.$$

(1) We have $a_1 = S_1 = 1^2 \times (1+1)(1+2) = 6$.

(2) $S_n - S_{n-1} = n^2(n+1)(n+2) - (n-1)^2 n(n+1) = n(n+1)[n(n+2) - (n-1)^2] = n(n+1)[n^2 + 2n - n^2 + 2n - 1] = n(n+1)[4n-1]$. and $S_{2n} - S_n = (2n)^2(2n+1)(2n+2) - n^2(n+1)(n+2) = 4n^2(2n+1)2(n+1) - n^2(n+1)(n+2) = n^2(n+1)[8(2n+1) - (n+2)] = n^2(n+1)(15n+6) = 3n^2(n+1)(5n+2)$.

— We know that $S_{2n} - S_n = \sum_{k=1}^{2n} a_k - \sum_{k=1}^n a_k = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n + a_{n+1} + a_{n+2} + \dots + a_{2n} -$

$(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n) = a_{n+1} + a_{n+2} + \dots + a_{2n} = \sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} a_k$. From the above question we have

$$\sum_{k=n+1}^{2n} a_k = 3n^2(n+1)(5n+2).$$

B: (1) $A = 10^1 + 10^2 + 10^3 + \dots + 10^n = \frac{a(r^n-1)}{r-1} = \frac{10(10^n-1)}{10-1}$.

(2)

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \left(\frac{1}{9} \times 9\right) + \left(\frac{1}{9} \times 99\right) + \left(\frac{1}{9} \times 999\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{9} \times \underbrace{99\dots9}_{n \text{ times}}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{9} \left[9 + 99 + 999 + \dots + \underbrace{99\dots9}_{n \text{ times}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{9} [(10^1 - 1) + (10^2 - 1) + (10^3 - 1) + \dots + (10^n - 1)] \\ &= \frac{1}{9} \left[(10^1 + 10^2 + 10^3 + \dots + 10^n) - \underbrace{(1 + 1 + 1 + \dots + 1)}_{n \text{ times}} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

By using the previous question we get

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \frac{1}{9} \left[\frac{10(10^n - 1)}{10 - 1} - n \right] = \frac{1}{9} \left[\frac{10}{9}(10^n - 1) - n \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{81} [10^{n+1} - 9n - 10]. \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISE 2. Solution

(a): Sketch f over the interval $[-3\pi, 3\pi]$. Yes f is even ?

(b): Since f is even, then $b_n = 0$.

$$— a_0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |x| dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x dx = \pi.$$

$$— a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \cos(nx) dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x \cos(nx) dx, \text{ using integration by parts we get } (u(x) = x, v'(x) = \cos(nx))$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_n &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\left[\frac{x \sin(nx)}{n} \right]_0^{\pi} - \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin(nx)}{n} dx \right) = \frac{2}{\pi} \left(0 + \left[\frac{1}{n^2} \cos(nx) \right]_0^{\pi} \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi n^2} (\cos(n\pi) - 1) = \frac{2}{\pi n^2} ((-1)^n - 1) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } n = 2p \\ \frac{-4}{\pi n^2} & \text{if } n = 2p + 1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Since f is continuous, then $f(x) = |x| = \frac{\pi}{2} - \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{4}{\pi(2p+1)^2} \cos\{(2p+1)x\}$.

(c): The Parseval identity states $\frac{1}{L} \int_{-L}^L |f(x)|^2 dx = \frac{a_0^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n^2 + b_n^2)$.

(d):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |x|^2 dx &= \frac{\pi^2}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^2 \\ \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} x^2 dx &= \frac{\pi^2}{2} + \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{16}{\pi^2 (2p+1)^4} \\ \frac{2}{\pi} \left[\frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^{\pi} &= \frac{\pi^2}{2} + \frac{16}{\pi^2} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2p+1)^4} \\ \frac{2}{3} \pi^2 &= \frac{\pi^2}{2} + \frac{16}{\pi^2} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2p+1)^4} \\ \frac{\pi^2}{6} &= \frac{16}{\pi^2} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2p+1)^4}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } \sum_{p=0}^{p=+\infty} \frac{1}{(2p+1)^4} = \frac{\pi^4}{96}.$$

EXERCISE 3. Solution

— a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4^n}{(n+2)^n}$. Using Cauchy's test we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\frac{4^n}{(n+2)^n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{(n+2)} = 0 < 1,$$

the series converges.

— b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n! \left(\frac{3}{n}\right)^n$. By D'Alembert test we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n+1)! \left(\frac{3}{n+1}\right)^{n+1} \times \frac{\left(\frac{n}{3}\right)^{n+1}}{n!} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 3 \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n = 3 > 1,$$

the series diverges.

— c) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^n}{(2n)!}$. Let $|a_n| = \frac{3^n}{(2n)!}$, then, by D'Alembert test we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|a_{n+1}|}{|a_n|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^{n+1}}{(2n+2)!} \times \frac{(2n)!}{3^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^n 3}{(2n+2)(2n+1)(2n)!} \times \frac{(2n)!}{3^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{(2n+2)(2n+1)} = 0 < 1,$$

the series converges.

— d) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4(-n)^n}{(n+5)^n}$. Since

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 4^{\frac{1}{n}} \left(\frac{n}{n+5} \right) = 1 \neq 0,$$

then the series diverges by the Divergent test.

EXERCISE 4 Solution.

(A): Let $f_n : [a, +\infty] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $x \mapsto f_n(x) = \ln \left(x + \frac{1}{n} \right)$, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $a > 0$. and

$$g_n(x) = \ln \left(\frac{nx+1}{xn} \right).$$

a_1 : $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(x + \frac{1}{n} \right) = \ln(x)$. By simple calculation $g'_n(x) = \frac{-1}{x(nx+1)} < 0$, $\forall x \geq a$, then $g_n(x)$ is decreasing function $\forall x \geq a$.

(a_2): We must prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \geq a} |f_n(x) - f(x)| = 0$. We have first

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| = \left| \ln \left(x + \frac{1}{n} \right) - \ln(x) \right| = \left| \ln \left(\frac{nx+1}{xn} \right) \right| = |g_n(x)| = g_n(x).$$

from the above question $g_n(x)$ is decreasing function, then

$$\sup_{x \geq a} |f_n(x) - f(x)| = \sup_{x \geq a} g_n(x) = g_n(a) = \ln \left(\frac{na+1}{an} \right),$$

thus

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \geq a} |f_n(x) - f(x)| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(\frac{na+1}{an} \right) = 0.$$

Then the sequence of functions (f_n) converges uniformly to its limit $f(x) = \ln(x)$.

(B): Consider the power series given by $\sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n (2x-3)^n$.

(1) $\sum_{n \geq 1} a_n(x-a) = \sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n 2^n (x-3/2)^n$, so $a_n = (-1)^n 2^n$ and $a = 3/2$.

(2) $R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n 2^n}{(-1)^{n+1} 2^{n+1}} \right| = \frac{1}{2}$. Then the interval of absolute convergence is given by $|x-3/2| \leq 1/2 \Leftrightarrow 1 < x < 2$.

— First end point : $x = 1$, then $\sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n (2x-3)^n = \sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n (-1)^n = \sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^{2n} = \sum_{n \geq 1} 1 =$
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— second end point : $x = 2$, then $\sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n (2x-3)^n = \sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n =$.(Div). Finally $1 < x < 2$.

(3) Since $1 < x < 2$, then $-1 < r = 2x-3 < 1$, $\sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n (2x-3)^n = \sum_{n \geq 1} (-r)^n$ which is the sum of a geometric series $S = -r \frac{1}{1-(-r)} = \frac{-2x+3}{2x-2}$

(4) For $x \in [1, 2]$, $f(x) = \frac{-2x+3}{2x-2} = \sum_{n \geq 1} (-1)^n (2x-3)^n$.

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