

A Level H2 Math

Sigma Notation Test 3

Q1

- (i) Using the formula for $\sin P - \sin Q$, show that

$$\sin[(2r+1)\theta] - \sin[(2r-1)\theta] \equiv 2 \cos(2r\theta) \sin \theta. \quad [1]$$

- (ii) Given that $\sin \theta \neq 0$, using the method of differences, show that

$$\sum_{r=1}^n \cos(2r\theta) = \frac{\sin[(2n+1)\theta] - \sin \theta}{2 \sin \theta}. \quad [2]$$

- (iii) Hence find $\sum_{r=1}^n \cos^2\left(\frac{r\pi}{5}\right)$ in terms of n .

Explain why the infinite series

$$\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) + \cos^2\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right) + \cos^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{5}\right) + \dots$$

is divergent.

[3]

Q2

- (a) Given that $\sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{4n^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2(2N+1)}$, find $\sum_{n=1}^{2N} \frac{1}{4(n+1)^2 - 1}$.

Deduce that $\sum_{n=1}^{2N} \frac{1}{(2n+3)^2}$ is less than $\frac{1}{6}$. [5]

- (b) The sum to n terms of a series is given by $S_n = n \ln 2 - \frac{n^2 - 1}{e}$.

Find an expression for the n^{th} term of the series, in terms of n .

Show that the terms of the series follow an arithmetic progression. [4]

Q3

(i) Prove that $\frac{\sin(A-B)}{\cos A \cos B} = \tan A - \tan B$. [1]

(ii) Hence, by considering a suitable expression of A and B , find

$$\sum_{r=1}^N \frac{\sin x}{\cos[(r+1)x] \cos(rx)} .$$
 [3]

(iii) Using your answer to part (ii), find $\sum_{r=1}^N \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2 \cos \frac{r\pi}{3} \cos \frac{(r+1)\pi}{3}} \right)$, leaving your answer in terms of N . [2]

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Answers

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Q1

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sin[(2r+1)\theta] - \sin[(2r-1)\theta] \\ & \equiv 2 \cos \frac{(2r+1)\theta + (2r-1)\theta}{2} \sin \frac{(2r+1)\theta - (2r-1)\theta}{2} \\ & \equiv 2 \cos(2r\theta) \sin \theta \quad [\text{Shown}] \end{aligned}$$

(ii) From (i), $\sin[(2r+1)\theta] - \sin[(2r-1)\theta] \equiv 2 \cos(2r\theta) \sin \theta$

$$\Rightarrow \cos(2r\theta) = \frac{\sin[(2r+1)\theta] - \sin[(2r-1)\theta]}{2 \sin \theta}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{r=1}^n \cos(2r\theta) = \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{\sin[(2r+1)\theta] - \sin[(2r-1)\theta]}{2 \sin \theta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & = \frac{1}{2 \sin \theta} \left[\begin{array}{l} \sin 3\theta - \sin \theta \\ + \sin 5\theta - \sin 3\theta \\ + \sin 7\theta - \sin 5\theta \\ + \dots \\ + \sin(2n-1)\theta - \sin(2n-3)\theta \\ + \sin(2n+1)\theta - \sin(2n-1)\theta \end{array} \right] \\ & = \frac{\sin[(2n+1)\theta] - \sin \theta}{2 \sin \theta} \quad [\text{Shown}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad \sum_{r=1}^n \cos^2\left(\frac{r\pi}{5}\right) &= \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{\cos\left(\frac{2r\pi}{5}\right) + 1}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{r=1}^n \cos\left(\frac{2r\pi}{5}\right) + \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{1}{2} \quad \left(\text{Let } \theta = \frac{\pi}{5}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\sin\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi}{5}\right) - \sin\frac{\pi}{5}}{2 \sin\frac{\pi}{5}} \right] + \frac{1}{2}n \\ &= \frac{\sin\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi}{5}\right)}{4 \sin\frac{\pi}{5}} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}n \end{aligned}$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $-\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}n \rightarrow \infty$ and $\left| \sin\left(\frac{(2n+1)\pi}{5}\right) \right| \leq 1$,

$$\therefore \sum_{r=1}^n \cos^2\left(\frac{r\pi}{5}\right) \rightarrow \infty.$$

\therefore the series $\cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) + \cos^2\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right) + \cos^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{5}\right) + \dots$ is divergent.

Q2

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{2N} \frac{1}{4(n+1)^2 - 1} &= \sum_{n=2}^{2N+1} \frac{1}{4n^2 - 1} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{2N+1} \frac{1}{4n^2 - 1} - \frac{1}{3} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2[2(2N+1)+1]} - \frac{1}{3} \\ &= \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2(4N+3)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{(2n+3)^2} = \frac{1}{4n^2 + 12n + 9} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{4(n+1)^2 - 1} = \frac{1}{4n^2 + 8n + 3}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{(2n+3)^2} < \frac{1}{4(n+1)^2 - 1}$$

Alternative:

$$\frac{1}{(2n+3)^2} < \frac{1}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} = \frac{1}{4(n+1)^2 - 1}$$

Hence

$$\sum_{n=1}^{2N} \frac{1}{(2n+3)(2n+3)} < \sum_{n=1}^{2N} \frac{1}{4(n+1)^2 - 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{2N} \frac{1}{(2n+3)(2n+3)} &< \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2(4N+3)} \\ &< \frac{1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

[since $N > 0$ & $\frac{1}{2(4N+3)} > 0$]

b

$$T_n = S_n - S_{n-1} = n \ln 2 - \frac{n^2 - 1}{e} - \left[(n-1) \ln 2 - \frac{(n-1)^2 - 1}{e} \right]$$

$$= [n - (n-1)] \ln 2 - \frac{1}{e} [(n^2 - 1) - (n-1)^2 + 1]$$

$$= \ln 2 - \frac{1}{e} [n^2 - 1 - n^2 + 2n - 1 + 1]$$

$$= \ln 2 - \frac{1}{e} (2n - 1)$$

$$T_n - T_{n-1} = \ln 2 - \frac{1}{e} (2n - 1) - \left[\ln 2 - \frac{1}{e} (2(n-1) - 1) \right]$$

$$= -\frac{2}{e}$$

Since $-\frac{2}{e}$ is a constant, the terms follow an AP.

Q3

(i)

$$\frac{\sin(A-B)}{\cos A \cos B} = \frac{\sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B}{\cos A \cos B} = \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} - \frac{\sin B}{\cos B} = \tan A - \tan B$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=1}^N \frac{\sin x}{\cos(r+1)x \cos rx} &= \frac{\sin(2x-x)}{\cos 2x \cos x} + \frac{\sin(3x-2x)}{\cos 3x \cos 2x} + \frac{\sin(4x-3x)}{\cos 4x \cos 3x} + \dots + \frac{\sin((N+1)x-Nx)}{\cos(N+1)x \cos Nx} \\ &= (\tan 2x - \tan x) \\ &\quad + (\tan 3x - \tan 2x) \\ &\quad + (\tan 4x - \tan 3x) \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &\quad + (\tan(N-1)x - \tan(N-2)x) \\ &\quad + (\tan Nx - \tan(N-1)x) \\ &\quad + (\tan(N+1)x - \tan Nx) \\ &= \tan(N+1)x - \tan x \end{aligned}$$

(iii)

$$\text{When } x = \frac{\pi}{3}, \sum_{r=1}^N \frac{\sin x}{\cos(r+1)x \cos rx} = \sum_{r=1}^N \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2 \cos \frac{r\pi}{3} \cos \frac{(r+1)\pi}{3}} \right)$$

$$\text{Thus, required sum} = \tan \left[(N+1) \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right) \right] - \tan \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right) = \tan \left[\frac{(N+1)\pi}{3} \right] - \sqrt{3}$$