1. **[AJC MYE 18]**

(a) Show that
$$[(k+2)!]k - (k!)(k-2) = (k!)(k^3 + 3k^2 + k + 2).$$
 [1]

(b) Hence find
$$\sum_{k=3}^{n} \left[(k!)(k^3 + 3k^2 + k + 2) \right]$$
 in terms of *n*. [3]

(c) Explain if the series in (b) converges.

2. [AJC MYE 18]

A school is commemorating her 35th Anniversary with a 35 000 km Resilience Run. Two groups of students pledge to accumulate a total distance of 35 000 km, but they intend to clock the distance with their own methods as shown below:

- Group A: covers collectively 20 km on Day 1, and the distance to be covered on each subsequent day is increased by $\frac{1}{11}$ times the distance covered on the previous day.
- Group B: covers collectively 20 km on Day 1, and the distance to be covered on each subsequent day is increased by d km.
- (a) Find the total distance, to the nearest kilometer, Group A would have covered on days 1 to 30 inclusive.
- (b) Find the least value of N for which the distance covered by Group A on Day N exceeds 3% of the total pledged distance.
- (c) Find the range of values of d if Group B wishes to cover a total distance not less than that covered by Group A by the end of the 30th day.

Assume now that d = 6 km.

(d) The school wishes to hold a Grand Finale on Founders Day and wants both groups of students to have completed a combined total of 35 000 km from Day 1 until this day inclusive. How many days before Founders Day must the students begin to clock their distances?

3. [MI MYE 18]

(a) Find c such that
$$\frac{1}{r} - \frac{2}{r+1} + \frac{1}{r+2} = \frac{c}{r(r+1)(r+2)}$$
. [1]

(b) Hence find $\sum_{r=1}^{n} \frac{1}{r(r+1)(r+2)}$.

There is no need to express your answer as a single algebraic fraction.

(c) Determine, with the aid of a sketch of
$$y = \frac{1}{x(x+1)(x+2)}$$
, which of the two

quantities
$$\int_{1}^{n+1} \frac{1}{x(x+1)(x+2)} \, \mathrm{d}x$$
 or $\sum_{r=1}^{n} \frac{1}{r(r+1)(r+2)}$ is larger for $n \ge 1$. [2]

(d) Use your answer to (b) to find
$$\sum_{r=2}^{n} \frac{1}{r^3 - r}$$
. [2]

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4. [MI MYE 18]

The *n*th term, T_n , of a sequence is given by $\lg 3x^{n-1}$, where x is a positive constant.

(a) Show that the sequence is an arithmetic progression for all positive integers n.

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When lg 3 is subtracted from each of the fifth, third and second terms of the above arithmetic progression, these terms become the first three consecutive terms of a geometric progression.

(b) Find the range of values of x for which the sum of the first 10 terms of the arithmetic progression differs from the sum to infinity of the geometric progression by more than 2.

5. [NJC MYE 18 (modified)]

(a) Prove that
$$\frac{1}{(n-2)!n} = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} - \frac{1}{n!}$$
 for $n \ge 2$. [2]

(b) Find
$$\sum_{n=2}^{N} \frac{1}{(n-2)!n}$$
. [3]

(c) Explain why
$$\sum_{n=2}^{N} \frac{1}{(n-2)!n}$$
 in convergent and find the sum to infinity. [2]

6. [AJC MYE 18]

Given that
$$\sum_{r=1}^{n} r^3 = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]^2$$
, show that
$$\sum_{r=n}^{2n} \left(2r^3 + 3r\right) = an(n+1)(5n^2 + n + 3),$$

where a is a constant to be determined.

[4]

7. [TPJC MYE 18 (modified)]

There are two national savings plans available, Plan A and Plan B, both requiring monthly deposits of a fixed amount of money on the first day of each month. In Plan A, an interest rate of 0.45% per month is given on the last day of each month.

(a) Saver A chooses Plan A and deposits \$200 on the first day of each month. Show that the total savings for saver A at the end of n months is

$$\$\frac{401800}{9}(1.0045^n - 1).$$

- (b) Hence calculate the total interest saver A receives after 12 months.
- (c) Saver A decides to withdraw the money once the total savings reaches \$4000. How many months must saver A wait in order to withdraw the money?

Plan B gives an interest that starts at \$2 on the last day of the first month, and rises by \$1 on the last day of each subsequent month. This means that the interest will be \$3 on the last day of the second month, and \$4 on the last day of the third month. Saver B chooes Plan B and deposits y on the first day of each month.

(d) Find the least value of y (to nearest dollar) for saver B to deposit each month in order to save more than saver A at the end of 12 months, assuming both saver A and saver B start their saving plan at the same time.

8. [NJC MYE 18 (modified)]

The diagram shows the curve with equation $y = \cos x$, $0 \le x \le \frac{\pi}{2}$. The interval $\left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$ on the x-axis is divided into n equal parts. The area under the curve in this interval may be approximated by the total area A of n-1 rectangles, each of width $\frac{\pi}{2n}$.



(a) Given that $\cos \frac{\pi}{12} + \cos \frac{5\pi}{12} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$ and by considering the value of A when n = 6, explain clearly why

$$1 + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6} < \frac{24}{\pi}.$$

(b) By considering A, find the exact value of

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left\{ \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2n}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{2n}\right) + \dots + \cos\left(\frac{(n-1)\pi}{2n}\right) \right\}.$$

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Answers

- 1. (b) $(n+1)!(n^2+3n-1)-54$.
 - (c) Does not converge as $(n+1)!(n^2+3n-1)-54 \to \infty$ as $n \to \infty$.
- 2. (a) 2773 km.
 - (b) 47.
 - (c) $d \ge 4.99$.
 - (d) n = 55.54 days before the date.
- 3. (a) $T_n T_{n-1} = \lg x$ which is a constant. (b) 0 < x < 0.656 or x > 0.842.

4. (a)
$$c = 2$$
.
(b) $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} \right)$.
(c) $\sum_{r=1}^{n} \frac{1}{r(r+1)(r+2)}$ is larger
(d) $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n+1} \right)$.
5. $a = \frac{3}{2}$

$$0. \ a = \frac{1}{2}.$$

- 6. (b) \$71.37.
 - (c) 20 months.
 - (d) \$203.
- 7. (b) $1 \frac{1}{N!}$. (c) 1.

8.
$$\frac{1}{\pi}$$
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