

MA 2733

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5 T/F, several long answer. 50 points.

**General Instructions:** Please answer the following, without use of calculators.

You may refer to a 3x5 card, but no other notes. Correct answers without correct supporting work may not receive full credit (excluding the True/False section).

You may use the back of each page for additional answer space (please clearly indicate if you have done so), or scratch work.

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0. (1 point) My best estimate of my # of absences from MA 2733 lecture is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Any good-faith estimate will be marked correct. Honor code applies.)

1. True/False. Enter T or F in each blank. A correct answer is worth 2 points, a blank space is worth 0 points, and a wrong answer is worth -2 points. (Your total on this problem will be rounded up to zero if necessary.)

(a) T If  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n = 2$ , then necessarily  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ .

(b) F If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 2$ , then necessarily  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n$  converges.

(c) F If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \frac{1}{2}$ , then  $a_n = \frac{1}{3n}$ .

(d) T The sequence  $a_n = \frac{1}{n!}$  can be expressed recursively as  $a_0 = 1$ ,  
 $a_n = \frac{a_{n-1}}{n}$  for  $n \geq 1$ .

(e) F The parametric curve given by  $x = t^2$ ,  $y = t$  for  $t$  on  $(-\infty, \infty)$  is the same as that given by the equation  $y = \sqrt{x}$ .

## 2. Parametric and polar equations

- (a) (4 points) Find the slope of the tangent line to the parametric curve  $x = 2 \cos t$ ,  $y = 4 \sin t$  at  $t = \pi/3$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt} = \frac{4 \cos t}{-2 \sin t} = \frac{-2 \cos t}{\sin t}$$

At  $t = \pi/3$ :

$$\text{slope } m = \frac{-2 \cos \pi/3}{\sin \pi/3} = \frac{-2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

- (b) (5 points) Find the area inside the ellipse bounded by the parametric curve  $x = 2 \cos t$ ,  $y = 4 \sin t$  for  $t$  on  $[0, 2\pi]$ .

By area formula for param + symmetry:

$$A = 2 \cdot \int_{\pi}^0 4 \sin t \cdot \frac{d}{dt}[2 \cos t] dt = 2 \cdot \int_{\pi}^0 -8 \sin^2 t dt = \int_0^{\pi} 16 \sin^2 t dt$$

Use trig id:

$$= \int_0^{\pi} 8 - 8 \cos 2t dt = [8t - 4 \sin 2t]_0^{\pi} = 8\pi.$$

- (c) (6 points) Find the length of the polar curve  $r = \cos^2(\theta/2)$  where  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ .

Then  $r' = 2 \cdot \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \cdot (-\sin \frac{\theta}{2}) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = -\cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$ . (By application of chain rule.)

So length formula for polar gives

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{(r')^2 + r^2} d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \cdot \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + \cos^4 \frac{\theta}{2}} d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} (\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} + \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2})} d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \cdot 1} d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} |\cos \frac{\theta}{2}| d\theta$$

Pythagorean theorem.

Recall graph of  $\cos \frac{\theta}{2}$ .



So above is (by symmetry)

$$= 2 \cdot \int_0^{\pi} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} d\theta = 2 \cdot [2 \sin \frac{\theta}{2}]_0^{\pi} = 4.$$

3. (6 points) The "explain" problem.

Explain why  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r^n = \infty$  when  $r \geq 1$ .

$$\text{When } r=1, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 = 1,$$

$$\text{while when } r > 1, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r^n = \infty.$$

So by nth term test, series diverges.

Since terms are positive, diverges to  $\infty$ .

4. (6 points each) For each of the following series, determine whether it is convergent or divergent. If it is convergent, find its sum.

(a)  $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} 2 \cdot \cos^n(3)$ .

Geometric series w/

$$a = 2 \cdot \cos^3(3)$$

$r = \cos 3$ , which is on  $(-1, 1)$  as 3 is not a multiple of  $\pi$ ,

So

converges to  $\frac{2 \cdot \cos^3(3)}{1 - \cos(3)}$ .

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

Simplify to  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{\sqrt{n(n+1)}} - \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n(n+1)}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1}} \right)$

which telescopes, w/

$$S_N = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{N+1}}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{N+1}}$$

a)  $N \rightarrow \infty, S_N \rightarrow 1,$

so series converges to 1.

$$(c) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n3^n}{3^n + 2^n}$$

Apply nth term test:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \cdot 3^n}{3^n + 2^n} = \frac{3^{-n}}{3^{-n} + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\overset{\infty}{n}}{1 + \underset{0}{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n}} = \infty$$

and as limit of nth term is ~~not~~ not 0,  
series diverges.