

CHAPTER 2 :

SUMS

INTRODUCTION :

- ① sequences and
- ② sums of sequences

DEFINITION

(of a SEQUENCE of elements of a SET A)

A SEQUENCE

of elements of a set A is ANY FUNCTION f

$$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$$

\mathbb{N} set of NATURAL NUMBERS

$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

Any

$$f(n) = a_n$$

is called n -th TERM of a sequence f .

NOTATION

$$f = \{a_n\} \quad \text{or} \quad \{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, \quad \{a_n\}$$

EXAMPLE of a sequence of REAL numbers

N-SET OF INDEXES

$$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(n) = n + \sqrt{n}$$

$$a_n = n + \sqrt{n}$$

OR

SHORTHAND

$$a_n = n + \sqrt{n}$$

$$a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1+1=2, a_2 = 2+\sqrt{2} \dots$$

$$0, 2, 2+\sqrt{2}, 3+\sqrt{3}, \dots, n+\sqrt{n}, \dots$$

OBSERVATION 1

Sequence is ALWAYS INFINITE (countably infinite) as by definition, domain of f is a set \mathbb{N} of nat. numbers. $A \sim B \iff |A| = |B|$

OBSERVATION 2

$$\mathbb{N} \sim \mathbb{N} - \{0\} = \mathbb{N}^+$$

$$\mathbb{N} \sim \mathbb{N} - k, \quad k \text{ any finite subset of } \mathbb{N}$$

$$\mathbb{N} \sim \mathbb{Z}, \quad \mathbb{N} \sim \text{ODD}, \quad \mathbb{N} \sim \text{EVEN}$$

In general : a set T is called **COUNTABLY INFINITE**

iff $|T| = |\mathbb{N}|$ i.e there is a function $f: \mathbb{N} \xrightarrow{1-1} T$ ($T \sim \mathbb{N}$)

OBSERVATION 3

We can choose a set of INDEXES of a sequence any COUNTABLY infinite set, not only \mathbb{N} .

IN OUR BOOK

$T = \mathbb{N} - \{0\} = \mathbb{N}^+$
i.e sequences "start" with a_1
 $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}^+}$

a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots

GENERAL FORM of a SEQUENCE.

FINITE SEQUENCE

: any $f: K \rightarrow A$ where $|K| = n$ $n \in \mathbb{N}$
or K - finite subset of \mathbb{N} .

FINITE SEQUENCE (2)

$$f: \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow A, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$f(m) = a_m$$

$$a_1 a_2 \dots a_n$$

$$\{a_k\}_{k=1..n}$$

$$k=1, 2, \dots, n$$

EMPTY SEQUENCE

: case $n=0$

$$e$$

$$f(\emptyset) = e$$

DOMAIN of the SEQUENCE

$$f: T \rightarrow A$$

DOMAIN

FORMULA:

$$a_n = \frac{n}{(n-2)(n-5)}$$

DOMAIN of f is \mathbb{N}

$$T = \mathbb{N} - \{2, 5\} \quad \therefore e$$

$$T = \{-1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$f: \mathbb{N} - \{2, 5\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(n) = a_n$$

FINITE SEQUENCE

FINITE.

$$T \subset \mathbb{Z}$$

② **SUMS** of elements of a sequence of RATIONAL #.

In **CHAPTER 2** we consider only **FINITE SUMS** of

consecutive elements of a sequence $\{a_n\}$ of **RATIONAL NUMBERS**

DEFINITION

Given a sequence

$$f: \mathbb{N}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(n) = a_n$$

of RATIONAL NUMBERS

$a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3 \ \dots \ a_n \ \dots$

We write

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k = \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} a_k = \sum_{k \in \{1, \dots, n\}} a_k = \sum_k a_k$$

for $k = \{1, \dots, n\}$

Given a sequence of numbers: 50

$$f: \mathbb{N}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$
$$f(n) = a_n$$

FULL DEFINITION

OR

$$a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, \dots$$
$$a_k \in \mathbb{R}$$

SHORTHAND

We sometimes need to evaluate a sum of some sub-sequence of $\{a_n\}$ only.

For example: sum-up only each second term of $\{a_n\}$ (i.e. $n \in \text{EVEN}$)

We write it two ways:

1

$$\sum_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq 2n \\ k \in \text{EVEN}}} a_k = a_2 + a_4 + \dots + a_{2n}$$

$P(k)$ summation property

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$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{2k} = a_2 + a_4 + \dots + a_{2n}$$

subsequence property

WE USE NOTATION

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$$\sum_{P(k)} a_k = \sum_{k \in K} a_k$$

for

$$K = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : P(n)\}$$

$P(n)$ - is a certain formula (predicate) defining our restriction on n .

We assume

① K is defined; i.e. $P(n) = T$ or F is decidable

② K is FINITE

(we consider only finite sums for a moment)

EXAMPLE 1

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Let

$$P(n) = (1 \leq n < 100) \wedge (n \in \text{ODD})$$

$P(n)$ is a formula (open) defining all ODD numbers between 1 and 99 (included)

$$K = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : P(n)\}$$

$$= \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 99\}$$

$$= \{n \in \mathbb{N} : 1 \leq n \leq 99\}$$

$$= \{1, 3, \dots, (2n+1)\} \text{ for } 0 \leq n \leq 49$$

$$2n+1 = 99$$

$$2n = 98$$

$$n = 49$$

$$\sum_{P(n)} a_n = \sum_{k \in K} a_k$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{49} a_{(2n+1)} = a_1 + a_3 + \dots + a_{99}$$

EXAMPLE 2

Let

$$P(n) = (1 \leq n < 100)$$

$P(n)$ is a predicate defining all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ between 1 and 99 included.

$$K = \{1, 2, \dots, 99\}$$

In this case

$$\sum_{P(n)} a_n = \sum_{K \in K} a_k = \sum_{k=1}^{99} a_k$$

$$= a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_{99}$$

EXAMPLE 3

Let $a_n = (2n+1)^2$

$f(n) = a_n$
DOMAIN f
 $= \mathbb{N}$

$$P(n) = (1 \leq n < 100)$$

Evaluate: $\sum_{P(n)} a_n$ $K = \{1, \dots, 99\}$

$$\sum_{P(n)} (2n+1)^2$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{99} (2n+1)^2$$

$$= 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2 \cdot 99 + 1)^2$$

(from Kenneth Iverson's programming language APL)

$$[P(x)] = \begin{cases} 1 & P(x) \text{ true} \\ 0 & P(x) \text{ false} \end{cases}$$

Example

$$[p \text{ prime}] = \begin{cases} 1 & p \text{ is prime} \\ 0 & p \text{ is not prime} \end{cases}$$

We write

$$\sum_{P(k)} a_k = \sum_{k \in K} a_k [P(k)] = \sum_{k \in K} a_k$$

$$K = \{k \in \mathbb{N} : P(k)\}$$

we can put K out.

BOOK NOTATION c.d

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Example

$$\sum_P [P \text{ prime}] [P \leq n] \frac{1}{P}$$

Property

$P(x)$ is $P_1(x) \wedge P_2(x)$

$$a_p = \frac{1}{p}$$

for $P_1(x)$: x is prime

$P_2(x)$: $x \leq n$, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$P(x)$ says: x is prime and $x \leq n$

\sum_P means: we sum over all P that are PRIME and $P \leq n$

CASE $n=0$ $P(x)$ is FALSE

PRIMES are natural numbers ≥ 2 etc..

BOOK NOTATION C.d (2) 53a

Book uses notation

$p \leq N$ for $p \leq n$ $n \in N$

where N denotes a natural number. IT IS NOT CORRECT

N Always denotes a set of Natural numbers

I will use

$p \leq n$ $n \in N$

When you read the book now and later, pay attention it happens often

$n \leq K$ for all $n \in K$, means that $n \leq k$, for some k

Usually CAPITAL LETTERS DENOTE SETS.

BOOK NOTATION c.d

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1. Authors never define a sequence

$$\{a_n\}$$

$$\text{for } \sum a_k$$

2. They say often

" a_k " is defined / not defined for all set of INTEGERS"

IT MEANS they admit
FINITE sequences

$$f: K \rightarrow A \quad f(k) = a_k$$

for K finite subset of \mathbb{Z}

BOOK NOTATION c.d

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$$\sum_{P(k)} a_k = \sum_{k \in K} a_k = \sum_k [P(k)] a_k$$

where

$$K = \{k \in \mathbb{Z} : P(k)\}$$

and K is FINITE.

YOU CAN PUT

$K = \{k \in \mathbb{R} : P(k)\}$ or
 K -finite

$$[P(k)] = \begin{cases} 1 & P(k) \text{ TRUE} \\ 0 & P(k) \text{ FALSE} \end{cases}$$

we
admit
this
case

$$K = \{k \in \mathbb{N} : P(k)\}$$

and K is FINITE

This
is
usual
case.

EXAMPLE 4

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$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_{k+1} \rightarrow \text{changes limits}$$

SUMS AND RECURRENCES

Observation, for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} a_k = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k + a_{n+1}$$

CASE $n=0$

$$\sum_{k=1}^1 a_k = a_1$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^0 a_k \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0$$

DEFINE:

$$\sum_{k=a}^b a_k = 0$$

when $b < a$

In general when sum is UNDEFINED we put it to 0

SUMS AND RECURRENCES

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Observation:

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n a_k = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_{k+1} + a_n$$

$n=0$

$$\sum_{k=0}^0 a_k = a_0$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^1 a_k = 0$$

$$a_n = a_0$$

We get

$$a_0 = 0 + a_0 = a_0$$

$n=1$

$$\sum_{k=0}^1 a_k = a_0 + a_1$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^0 a_k = a_0, \quad a_n = a_1$$

$$a_0 + a_1 = a_0 + a_1$$

We know

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$$\sum_{k=0}^n a_k = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k + a_n \quad (*)$$

Denote

SUM FUNCTION

$$S: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$S(n) = S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k$$

$$S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k$$

We re-write (*) as

Recursive form
(RECURRENCE)

$$S_0 = a_0$$

$$S_n = S_{n-1} + a_n$$

for $n > 0$

We can use techniques from CHAPTER 1 to evaluate (if possible) CLOSED formulas for SUMS.

EXAMPLE

Given a sequence

$$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad f(n) = a_n$$

$$a_n = a + b \cdot n$$

PARAMETERS

$$a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

CONSTANTS

Find a CLOSED FORMULA for

$$S(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k = \sum_{k=0}^n (a + b \cdot k)$$

The recurrence form of $S(n)$

$$S_0 = a$$

$$S_n = S_{n-1} + \underbrace{(a + bn)}_{a_n}$$

$$S: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$S(n) = S_n$$

We want to find a **CF** for this recurrence formula.

WE CONSIDER A MORE GENERAL CASE

(R)

$$R_0 = d$$

$$R_n = R_{n-1} + (\beta + \gamma n)$$

(RS)

is a case of (R)

for

and look for (CF)

$$\begin{aligned} d &= a \\ \beta &= a \\ \gamma &= b \end{aligned}$$

STEP 1 : Evaluate few terms

$$R_0 = d$$

$$R_1 = d + \beta + \gamma$$

$$R_2 = d + \beta + \gamma + (\beta + 2\gamma) = d + 2\beta + 3\gamma$$

$$R_3 = d + 2\beta + 3\gamma + (\beta + 3\gamma) = d + 3\beta + 6\gamma$$

STEP 2 : observation:

CF

$$R_n = A(n)d + B(n)\beta + C(n)\gamma$$

GOAL: FIND $A(n), B(n), C(n)$
and ^{this} proves $R = CF$

METHOD: Repertoire method

STEP 1: SET $R_n = 1$, all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

i.e. $R(n) = 1 = R_n$ is a constant function (if possible)

Use R | $R_0 = d, R_n = R_{n-1} + (\beta + \gamma \cdot n)$

$R_0 = 1$ gives $d = 1$

$R_n = R_{n-1} + (\beta + \gamma \cdot n)$ gives

$1 = 1 + (\beta + \gamma \cdot n)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Evaluate:

We get

$$0 = \beta + \gamma \cdot n \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

This is possible only when

$$\beta = \gamma = 0$$

We obtained (for $R_n = 1, \forall n$)

$$d = 1, \beta = 0, \gamma = 0$$

And our closed formula

$$R_n = A(n)d + B(n)\beta + C(n)\gamma$$

becomes

$$R_n = A(n) \cdot 1 = A(n) = 1, \text{ all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

We proved

FACT 1

$$A(n) = 1, \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

STEP 2

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We set R_n constant

$$R_n = n, \text{ all } n$$

and find α, β, γ if exist.

$$R_0 = \alpha, \quad R_n = R_{n-1} + (\beta + \gamma n)$$

$R_0 = \alpha = 0$ gives $\alpha = 0$

$R_n = R_{n-1} + (\beta + \gamma n)$ becomes

$$n = (n-1) + \beta + \gamma n$$

for all n

$$1 = \beta + \gamma n \quad \text{for all } n$$

possible only when

$$\beta = 1, \quad \gamma = 0$$

We evaluate CF for

$$\alpha = 0, \quad \beta = 1, \quad \gamma = 0$$

CF

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$$R_m = A(m)\alpha + B(m)\beta + C(m)\gamma$$

becomes for

$$\alpha = 0, \beta = 1, \gamma = 0$$

and $R_m = m$, all m

$$m = A(m) \cdot 0 + B(m) \cdot 1 + C(m) \cdot 0$$

FACT 2

$$B(m) = m \quad \text{for all } m \in \mathbb{N}$$

STEP 3

We set

$$R_m = m^2, \quad \text{all } m \in \mathbb{N}$$

and find α, β, γ , if exist.

$A(m)$ is a function
 $B(m) \quad B$

$$A: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$A(m) \in \mathbb{R}$

STEP 3 c.d

QF

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$$R_0 = d, \quad R_n = R_{n-1} + (\beta + \gamma n)$$

$$R_n = n^2, \quad \text{all } n$$

$$R_0 = d = 0^2$$

$$d = 0$$

$$n^2 = (n-1)^2 + \beta + \gamma n, \quad \text{all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$n^2 = n^2 - 2n + 1 + \beta + \gamma n, \quad \text{all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$0 = -2n + 1 + \beta + \gamma n, \quad \text{all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$0 = (1 + \beta) + n(\gamma - 2) \iff \text{all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

iff

$$1 + \beta = 0$$

$$\beta = -1$$

$$\gamma - 2 = 0$$

$$\gamma = 2$$

We get:

$$d = 0, \quad \beta = -1, \quad \gamma = 2$$

and

calculate CF

(CF)

$$R_n = A(n)\alpha + B(n)\beta + C(n)\gamma$$

for $R_n = n^2$, $\alpha = 0$, $\beta = -1$, $\gamma = 2$
all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$n^2 = -B(n) + 2C(n) \quad \text{all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

We know (FACT 2) that

$$B(n) = n, \quad \text{all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$n^2 = -n + 2C(n) \quad \text{all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

FACT 3

$$\frac{n^2 + n}{2} = C(n)$$

Put
(FACT 1) + 2 + 3
+ (CF)

$$A(n) = 1$$

(CF)

$$R_m = \alpha + m\beta + \left(\frac{n^2 + n}{2}\right)\gamma$$

GO BACK to

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$$S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n (a + bk)$$

$$S_n = R_n \quad \text{for } d = a, \beta = a$$

$$R_n = d + n\beta + \left(\frac{n^2+n}{2}\right)\gamma \quad \gamma = b$$

$$S_n = a + na + \left(\frac{n^2+n}{2}\right)b$$

$$S_n = (n+1)a + \frac{n(n+1)}{2}b$$

and we evaluated

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

Of course we can do it by a "simpler method"

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (a + bk) =$$

We use
Properties
of
SUMMATION
to
be
listed
next

$$P1 = \sum_{k=0}^n a + \sum_{k=0}^n b \cdot k$$

$$P2 = (n+1)a + b \sum_{k=0}^n k$$

$$= (n+1)a + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} b$$

$$a_n = a, \text{ all } n$$

$$\text{eval} \sum_{k=0}^n a_k = \sum_{k=0}^n a = \underbrace{a + \dots + a}_{n+1} = (n+1)a$$

SUMMATION PROPERTIES

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(p. 30)

$$P1 \quad \sum_{k \in K} c \cdot a_k = c \sum_{k \in K} a_k$$

DISTRIBUTIVE
LAW

$$P2 \quad \sum_{k \in K} (a_k + b_k) = \sum_{k \in K} a_k + \sum_{k \in K} b_k$$

ASSOCIATIVE
LAW

$$P3 \quad \sum_{k \in K} a_k = \sum_{\tau(k) \in K} a_{\tau(k)}$$

COMMUTATIVE
LAW

$\tau(k)$ - any PERMUTATION
of elements of K
(real numbers)

K - FINITE subset of INTEGERS

SUM OF GEOMETRIC SEQUENCE

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GEOMETRIC SUM

DEF

$f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is **geometric** iff

$$f(n) = a_n$$

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \left(\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = r \right)$$

constant

We prove

FACT

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$a_n = a_0 r^n$$

all $n \in \mathbb{N}$

for geometric sequence

GEOMETRIC SUM = SUM OF A

GEOMETRIC SEQUENCE

$$S: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$S(n) = S_n$$

$$S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_0 r^k = \frac{a_0 (1 - r^{n+1})}{1 - r}$$

$$S_n = a_0 + a_0 r + \dots + a_0 r^n$$

$$r \cdot S_n = a_0 r + a_0 r^2 + \dots + a_0 r^n + a_0 r^{n+1}$$

$$S_n(1 - r) = a_0 - a_0 r^{n+1}$$

GEOMETRIC SUM

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$$S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n a_0 q^k = \frac{a_0(q^{n+1} - 1)}{(q - 1)}$$

Example

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

$$a_0 = 1 \quad q = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$S_n = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1} - 1}{-\frac{1}{2}} = 2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1}$$

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

$$S_n = \frac{a_1(q^{n+1} - 1)}{(q - 1)}$$

PREVIOUS S_n minus ①!

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$q = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{OR } S_{n+1} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1} - 1 \right)}{-\frac{1}{2}} = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n+1}$$

RECCURENCE \rightarrow SUM \rightarrow CLOSED FORMULA
(R) (CF)

GOAL (69)

(R) $T_0 = 0$
 $T_n = 2T_{n-1} + 1$ (T)

$T: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Divide by 2^n

(R') $T_0/2^0 = 0$

$T_n/2^n = \frac{2T_{n-1}}{2^n} + \frac{1}{2^n} = \frac{T_{n-1}}{2^{n-1}} + \frac{1}{2^n}$

DENOTE

$S_m = T_m/2^m$

(RS) $S_0 = 0$
 $S_m = S_{m-1} + \frac{1}{2^m}$

IT Means

(S) : $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$S_m = \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{1}{2^k}$

$T = S$
 $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad T(n) = S(n)$

We know (as S_n is GEOMETRIC) (70)

$$S_n = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$

We use $S_n = \frac{T_n}{2^n}$

$$T_n = 2^n S_n$$

to get a CLOSED FORMULA CF
for T_n

$$T_n = 2^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^n}\right) = 2^n - 1$$

CF
$$T_n = 2^n - 1$$