

## Math555 Homework 11

**Note:** To submit the k-th homework, simply put your files in the folder HWk on CoCalc, and it will be collected on the due day.

1. Compute

$$A = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{n^2}{n!}, B = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{n}{n!}, \text{ and } C = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{n!}.$$

Then find the value of

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{n^2 + 3n - 2}{n!}.$$

**Solution.** Let  $f_0(x) = e^x = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{x^n}{n!}$ . Then  $C = f_0(1) = e$ . Next, compute

$$f_1(x) = (xD)f_0(x) = xe^x = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{nx^n}{n!}.$$

Therefore,  $B = f_1(1) = e$ . Again, compute

$$f_2(x) = (xD)f_1(x) = e^x + xe^x = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{n^2 x^n}{n!}.$$

Thus,  $A = f_2(1) = 2e$ .

Finally, the desired value is

$$A + 3B - 2C = 3e.$$

2. Use Sage to calculate the formula for  $\sum_{k=1}^N k^3$ . If possible, write a function to compute the formula for  $\sum_{k=1}^N k^p$ . See the file SageProject6\_blank.sagews in your CoCalc folder.

**Solution.** The sample solutions are posted on the course website.