

Math 2423 homework

7. (due 8/31) Expand each of the following summations as a sum of individual terms, then make reasonable simplifications where possible.

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^5 \sin(nx)$

(b) $\sum_{x=1}^5 \sin(nx)$

(c) $\sum_{t=-3}^3 f(1-t)$

(d) $\sum_{j=1}^m g(x_j^*) \Delta x_j$

(e) $\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{f^{(k)}(a)}{k!} (x-a)^k$

8. (due 8/31) Write each of the following in summation notation:

(a) $a_0 + a_1 + a_4 + a_9 + a_{16} + a_{25}$

(b) $s(t_0^*) \Delta t_0 + s(t_1^*) \Delta t_1 + \cdots + s(t_n^*) \Delta t_n$

9. (due 8/31) Obtain the formula $\sum_{i=1}^n i^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}$ as follows.

(a) Write $n^4 = \sum_{i=1}^n i^4 - (i-1)^4$ (be sure you understand why this is true).

(b) Simplify $i^4 - (i-1)^4$.

(c) Use the simplification to break up $\sum_{i=1}^n i^4 - (i-1)^4$ as a sum of terms which may

involve $\sum_{i=1}^n i$, $\sum_{i=1}^n i^2$, and $\sum_{i=1}^n i^3$.

(d) Substitute in the already-established formulas $\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ and

$\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(2n+1)(n+1)}{6}$, then solve for $\sum_{i=1}^n i^3$ and simplify to obtain the formula

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}.$$