

ARTS DEPARTMENT.

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Problems have been received from J. H. BALDERSON, B.A., Mathematical Master, High School, Mount Forest, which will appear in our next issue.

SOLUTIONS

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132. Prove that

$$\log_e \sqrt{x} = (x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1) \cdot \frac{2}{x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1} \cdot \frac{2}{x^{\frac{1}{4}} + 1} \dots \text{ad inf.}$$

We have $\log_e x$

$$= (x - 1) \cdot \frac{2}{x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1} \cdot \frac{2}{x^{\frac{1}{4}} + 1} \cdot \frac{2}{x^{\frac{1}{8}} + 1} \dots \text{ad inf.}$$

$$= \text{lt. } 2^n (x^{\frac{1}{2^n}} - 1), \quad n = \infty.$$

$$= \text{lt.}_{a=0} \left(\frac{x^a - 1}{a} \right).$$

$$= \log_e x.$$

$$\text{or } \log_e x = 4(x^{\frac{1}{4}} - 1) \cdot \frac{2}{x^{\frac{1}{4}} + 1} \dots \text{ad inf.}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \log_e x^{\frac{1}{4}} = (x^{\frac{1}{4}} - 1) \cdot \frac{2}{x^{\frac{1}{8}} + 1} \cdot \frac{2}{x^{\frac{1}{16}} + 1} \dots \text{ad inf.}$$

133. Prove that

$$\frac{2^{r-1} - 1}{r} = \frac{1}{r-1} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{r-2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \dots$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{r}{2} \right\}^2, \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{\frac{r+1}{2} \cdot \frac{r-1}{2}}$$

according as r is even or odd.

We have $e^{2x} = e^x \times e^x$

$$= 1 + \frac{2x}{1} + \frac{(2x)^2}{2} + \dots + \frac{(2x)^r}{r} + \dots$$

$$e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1} + \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots + \frac{x^r}{r} + \dots$$

Picking out coefficient of x^r in e^{2x} and $e^x \times e^x$, we have

$$\frac{2^r}{r} = 2 \left\{ \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{r-1} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \dots \right\}.$$

Divide through by 2 and transpose first term of dexter.

$$134. \text{ Prove that } \frac{2^{2n-1}}{2n+1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2n-1} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2n-3} \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n}$$

Substituting, the series in terms of circular measure of angle, for $\sin 2\theta$, $\sin \theta$, and $\cos \theta$ in formula $\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$, and equating coefficients of θ^{2n+1} , we get result stated above.

135. In any plane triangle ABC , if $\Sigma \sin^2 A = 2\sigma$, and if $\sigma - \sin^2 A = \sigma_1$, &c., then

$$\sigma_1 \sigma_2 + \sigma_2 \sigma_3 + \sigma_3 \sigma_1 = \sin^2 A \sin^2 B \sin^2 C.$$

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{\sin^2 B + \sin^2 C - \sin^2 A}{2} = 2\Delta^2(b^2 + c^2 - a^2).$$

(Δ = area of triangle ABC)

&c. = &c.