

POWER SUMS OF n AND $\varphi(n)$ INTEGERS

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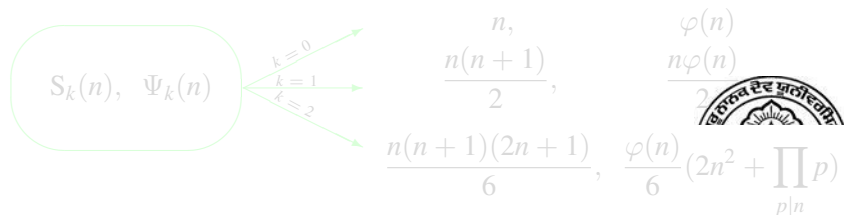
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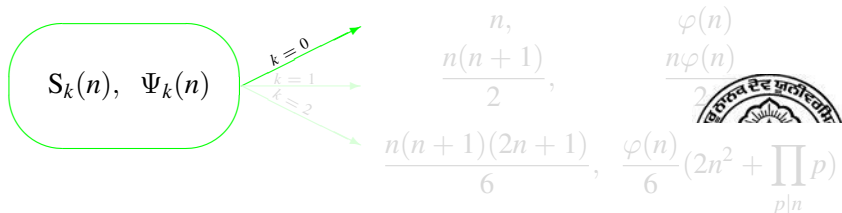
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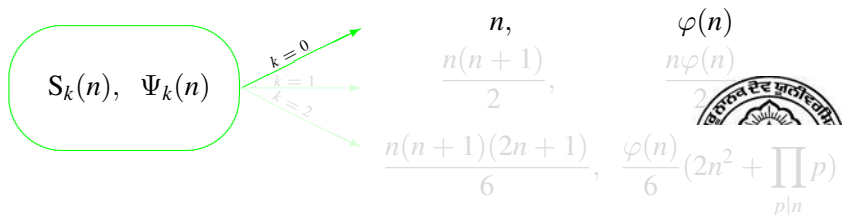


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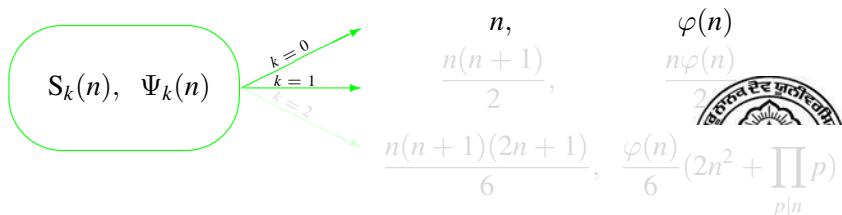


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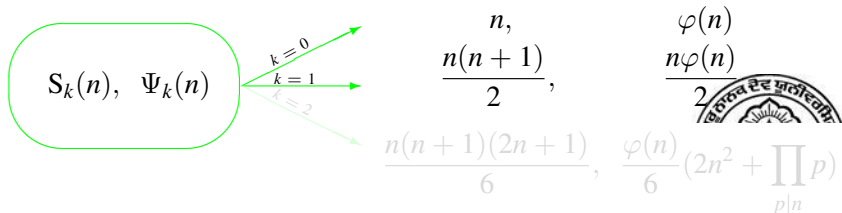


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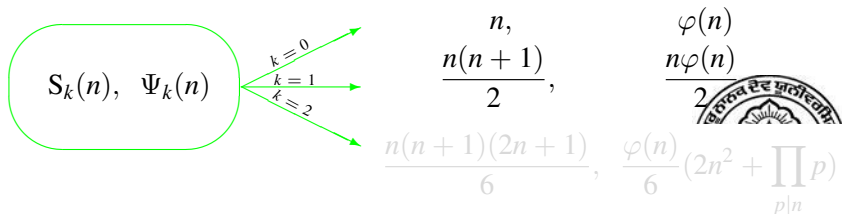


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COROLLARIES

$$\text{Cor. 1: } \Psi_k(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) d^k \mathbf{S}_k \left(\frac{n}{d} \right); \quad \mathbf{S}_k(n) = n^k \sum_{d|n} \frac{\Psi_k(d)}{d^k}$$

where $\mu(d)$ is the Möbius function.

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where B_m is the m -th Bernoulli number defined via

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$$\Psi_5(n) = n^5 \varphi(n) / 6 + B_2 \frac{5n^4}{2} \prod_{p|n} (1 - p) + B_4 \frac{5n^2}{2} \prod_{p|n} (1 - p^3)$$



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Theorem 4(Ramanujan)

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THE ALTERNATING POWER SUMS

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Theorem 7

For $0 < \alpha < 1$ and $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{S}_{-k}(\alpha, x) = \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \int_0^\alpha \frac{(\log(t))^{k-1}}{1-t} dt - \sum_{\beta=1}^{k-1} (-1)^\beta \frac{(\log(\alpha))^\beta}{(\beta)!} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{S}_{-k+\beta}(\alpha, x) \quad (2)$$



GENERALIZED POWER SUMS

We are interested in the case when $|a| < 1$ and $x \rightarrow \infty$. So, for $|a| < 1$, let us denote $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{S}_k(a, b, c, x)$ by $\mathbf{S}_k(a, b, c, \infty)$.

Definition: Define the generalized power sum $\mathbf{S}_{-k}(a, b, c, \infty)$ for $k = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$ and $c \neq 0, a \neq 0, 1, \text{real}(bc^{-1}) > 0$ via the functional equations:

$$(1) \mathbf{S}_0(a, b, c, \infty) = \frac{a}{1-a},$$

$$(2) (-k+1)\mathbf{S}_{-k}(a, b, c, \infty) = \frac{\partial}{\partial b} \mathbf{S}_{-k+1}(a, b, c, \infty),$$

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