

The problems are due on Thursday, December 6.

**For all students:**

**Problem 1.** For a real number  $x$ , define  $x^+ = \max\{x, 0\}$  and  $x^- = \max\{-x, 0\}$ .

Let  $(a_n)$  be a sequence of real numbers, such that  $\sum a_n$  converges, while  $\sum |a_n|$  diverges.

1. Show that the partial sums of  $\sum a_n^+$  and the partial sums of  $\sum a_n^-$  are unbounded increasing sequences. Note that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^+ = 0$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^- = 0$ .

2. Let  $L \in \mathbb{R}$ . Using the results above, show that there is a bijection  $\rho : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{\rho(n)} = L.$$

**Problem 2.** Let  $(a_n)$  be a sequence of real numbers, such that  $\sum |a_n|$  converges, and let  $\rho : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  be any bijection. Show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{\rho(n)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n.$$

**Problem 3.** Show that the series  $1 + 3x + 6x^2 + 10x^3 + 15x^4 + 21x^5 + 28x^6 + \dots$  converges absolutely for  $|x| < 1$ . Find the sum of the series.

**For graduate students:**

**Problem 1G.** Show that the following limit exists

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} \right) - \ln n \right\}$$

You may use the usual facts about integration and the natural logarithm you learnt in the Calculus sequence.

**Problem 2G.** Show that  $\arctan x$  equals its Taylor series with center  $x_0 = 0$  for  $|x| < 1$ .