

Solution I to Problem 1011.

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 - n - 1}{(n+1)!} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)(n-1) - n}{(n+1)!} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n-1)}{n!} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)!} \\ &= 0 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(n-1)}{n!} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)!} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)!} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)!} \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

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Solution II

We will use the following series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)!} = 1 \tag{1}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^k}{n!} = S_k \quad \text{with} \quad S_1 = e \quad \text{and} \quad S_2 = 2e \tag{2}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2 - n - 1}{(n+1)!} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)^2 - 2(n+1) - n}{(n+1)!}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(n+1)^2}{(n+1)!} - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{(n+1)!} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)!} \\ &= (2e - 1) - 2(e - 1) - 1 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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