

When adding the terms of an infinite sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, we get an infinite series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots$

The **n**th partial sum $s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$ (the sum of the first n terms)

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = s = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n$$

If this limit exists as a real number, then the series is called **convergent**. Otherwise, it is **divergent**.

(1) The **Geometric Series** with common ratio r , $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1} = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots$ is convergent if $|r| < 1$ and its sum

$$s = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

The geometric series is divergent if $|r| \geq 1$.

(2) The **Harmonic series** $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots$ is **divergent**.

(4) The **Telescoping series** $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (b_n - b_{n+1})$ is convergent if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = L$ and its sum $s = b_1 - L$.

Theorem: If the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is convergent, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$.

The converse of this theorem is not true.

(1) **The Test For Divergence:** If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$ or does not exist, then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ is divergent.

Note: if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq 0$, then $\sum a_n$ is divergent. But if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$, we know nothing about the convergence or divergence of the series.

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Extra Problem

Consider the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3}{n+8}$.

$$S_3 = \frac{3}{9} + \frac{3}{10} + \frac{3}{11} = \dots$$

Let $s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{3}{i+8}$ be the n -th partial sum; that is the sum of the first n terms of the series.

Find s_3 and s_5 .

$$s_3 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$s_5 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

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Book Problem 3

Determine whether the following series is convergent or divergent. If convergent find the sum, and if divergent enter DIV:

$$\frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{16} - \frac{3}{64} + \dots = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} 2.4$$

$$\text{Sum} = \frac{1st \text{ term}}{1-r} = \frac{\frac{3}{4}}{1 - \frac{-1}{4}} = \frac{3}{\frac{5}{4}} = \frac{12}{5} = 2.4$$

$x = \frac{1}{4}$ geometric $|r| = \left|\frac{-1}{4}\right| < 1$ Conv.

Book Problem 5

The following series are geometric series. Determine whether each series converges or not.

For the convergent series, enter the sum of the series. For the divergent series, enter DIV.

Also for each series, enter the first term a and the common ratio r .

$$\text{1st term: } n=1 \Rightarrow 7\left(\frac{3}{6}\right)^{1-1} = 7 = a$$

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 7\left(\frac{3}{6}\right)^{n-1} = 14, a = 7, \text{ and } r = \frac{3}{6} < 1$$

$$\text{Sum} = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{7}{1-\frac{3}{6}} = \frac{7}{\frac{1}{2}} = 14$$

$$(b) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{7^n}{6^n} = \text{_____}, a = \frac{7}{6}, \text{ and } r = \frac{7}{6} > 1 \quad \text{Div.}$$

$$(c) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3}{10^{2n}} = \text{_____}, a = 3, \text{ and } r = \frac{1}{100}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3}{10^{2n}} = \sum \frac{3}{(10^2)^n} = \sum \frac{3}{100^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3\left(\frac{1}{100}\right)^n, r = \frac{1}{100}$$

$$a = 3\left(\frac{1}{100}\right)^0 = 3$$

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Book Problem 7

The following series are geometric series. Determine whether each series converges or not.

For the convergent series, enter the sum of the series. For the divergent series, enter DIV.

Also for each series, enter the first term a and the common ratio r .

$$\sum \frac{\pi^n}{2^{n+2}} = \sum \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^n, r = \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{3.14...}{2} > 1 \Rightarrow \text{series Div}$$

$$(a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\pi^n}{2^{n+1}} = \text{_____}, a = \frac{\pi}{4}, \text{ and } r = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\sum \frac{1}{3^{n+1}} = \sum \frac{1}{3^n \cdot 3} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n-2}, r = \frac{1}{3} < 1$$

$$(b) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^{n+1}} = \text{_____}, a = \text{____}, \text{ and } r = \text{____}$$

$$\text{Converges, sum} = \frac{\frac{1}{27}}{1-\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{\frac{1}{27}}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{1}{18}$$

$$(c) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^{n-1}}{4^{n-1}} = \text{_____}, a = \text{____}, \text{ and } r = \text{____}$$

$$\sum \frac{(-2)^{n-1}}{4^{n-1}} = \sum \frac{(-2)^n \cdot (-2)^{-1}}{4^n \cdot 4^{-1}} = \sum \frac{(-2)^n \cdot \frac{1}{-2}}{4^n} =$$

$$= \sum -2 \left(\frac{-2}{4}\right)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} -2 \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^n$$

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Book Problem 9

Decide whether the given sequence or series is convergent or divergent. If convergent, enter the limit (for a sequence) or the sum (for a series). If divergent, enter DIV.

$$(a) \text{The sequence } \left\{ \frac{6}{5n} \right\}. \text{ Converges to } 0. \quad \frac{6}{5}, \frac{6}{10}, \frac{6}{15}, \dots \text{ converges to } 0, \text{ sequence converges to } 0$$

$$(b) \text{The series } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{6}{5n} \right) = \frac{6}{5} \sum \frac{1}{n} \text{ series is } \text{DIV. harmonic series}$$

Book Problem 10

Decide whether the given sequence or series is convergent or divergent. If convergent, enter the limit (for a sequence) or the sum (for a series). If divergent, enter DIV.

(a) The sequence $\left\{ \frac{7n}{2n+15} \right\}$. limit = $\frac{7}{2} \neq 0$, The sequence is convergent to $\frac{7}{2}$

(b) The series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{7n}{2n+15} \right)$. DIV by the Test for Divergence. because $\lim a_n = \frac{7}{2} \neq 0$

Book Problem 11

Decide whether the given sequence or series is convergent or divergent. If convergent, enter the limit (for a sequence) or the sum (for a series). If divergent, enter DIV.

(a) The sequence $\left\{ \frac{k^8}{k^8 - 6} \right\}$. converges to 1

(b) The series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{k^8}{k^8 - 6} \right)$. divergent by the Test for divergence

$$\lim \frac{k^8}{k^8 - 6} = 1 \neq 0$$

Book Problem 13

con. geo series, $a = \frac{2}{7}, r = \frac{2}{7} \Rightarrow \text{Sum} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{2}{7}} = \frac{2}{5}$

Determine the sum of the following series:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2^n + 4^n}{7^n} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{7} \right)^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{4}{7} \right)^n = \frac{2}{5} + \frac{4}{3} = \frac{6+20}{15} = \frac{26}{15}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (0.2^{n-1} - 0.7^n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 0.2^{n-1} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 0.7^n = \frac{1}{1-0.2} - \frac{0.7}{1-0.7} = \frac{1}{0.8} - \frac{0.7}{0.3} = \dots$$

Book Problem 17

Decide whether the given sequence or series is convergent or divergent. If convergent, enter the limit (for a sequence) or the sum (for a series). If divergent, enter DIV.

(a) The sequence $\{\arctan n\}$. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \arctan n = \arctan \infty = \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \text{Convergent sequence}$

(b) The series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\arctan n)$. DIV

but this series is divergent because $\lim a_n = \frac{\pi}{2} \neq 0$

Book Problem 19

$$\frac{4}{n^2-1} = \frac{A(n+1) + B(n-1)}{(n-1)(n+1)} \Rightarrow 4 = A(n+1) + B(n-1)$$

a) Using partial fractions,

$$\frac{4}{n^2-1} = \frac{A}{n-1} + \frac{B}{n+1}, \text{ where } A = \underline{\quad} \text{ and } B = \underline{\quad}$$

$$= \frac{2}{n-1} - \frac{2}{n+1}$$

b) Determine whether the following telescoping series is convergent or divergent. If convergent find the sum, and if divergent enter DIV:

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{4}{n^2-1} = \underline{\quad 3 \quad}$$

Book Problem 21

$$\frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{A}{n} + \frac{B}{n+1} = \frac{A(n+1) + BN}{n(n+1)}$$

Note that the following series is telescoping. If it is convergent, compute its sum. Otherwise, enter DIV.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{\boxed{1}}{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1})} \quad S_n = \stackrel{\text{sum of 1st } n \text{ terms}}{(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2}) + (\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}) + (\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}) + \dots + (\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1})} = 1 - \frac{1}{n+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = A(n+1) + BN$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{if } n=0 \Rightarrow A=1 \\ &\text{if } n=-1 \Rightarrow B=-1 \end{aligned}$$

$$S = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 1 - \frac{1}{\infty} = 1 - 0 = 1$$

Book Problem 22

Determine whether the following telescoping series are convergent or divergent. If convergent, enter the sum. If not, enter DIV.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \frac{n}{n+1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\ln n - \ln(n+1)) = \underline{\quad \text{DIV} \quad}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (e^{-6n} - e^{-6(n+1)}) = \underline{e^{-6}}$$

$$S_n = (e^{-6} - e^{-6 \cdot 1}) + (e^{-6 \cdot 2} - e^{-6 \cdot 2}) + (e^{-6 \cdot 3} - e^{-6 \cdot 4}) + \dots + (e^{-6n} - e^{-6(n+1)})$$

$$S_n = e^{-6} - e^{-6(n+1)}$$

$$S = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (e^{-6} - e^{-6(n+1)}) = e^{-6} - e^{-\infty} = e^{-6} - 0 = e^{-6}$$

$$S_n = (\ln 1 - \ln 2) + (\ln 2 - \ln 3) + \dots + (\ln n - \ln(n+1))$$

$$S_n = \underset{n \rightarrow \infty}{\ln 1} - \ln(n+1) = -\ln(n+1)$$

$$S = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} -\ln(n+1) = -\infty$$

