

Q1: Compute the value of the series $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2+2n}$

Soln: $\frac{1}{n^2+2n} = \frac{1}{n(n+2)} = \frac{A}{n} + \frac{B}{n+2} \Rightarrow 1 = A(n+2) + Bn$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} A+B=0 \\ 2A=1 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} B=-\frac{1}{2} \\ A=\frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

So, $\frac{1}{n^2+2n} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{n+2}$

$n=2$ $a_2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{4}$

$n=3$ $a_3 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{5}$

$n=4$ $a_4 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{6}$

$n=5$ $a_5 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{7}$

\vdots

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

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

$S_m = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{m+1} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{m+2} = \frac{5m^2+3m-8}{12(m+1)(m+2)}$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+2)} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} S_m = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5m^2+3m-8}{12(m+1)(m+2)} = \frac{5}{12}$$

This series is convergent.

Remarks

(i) This series is an example of convergent telescoping series.

(ii) Ratio/Root test are inconclusive. HW.

Q2: If exists find the sum of the following series. If not, explain why the series diverges.

2a: $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2n} + 3^n - 5}{7^{n+2}} = \frac{1}{49} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2n} + 3^n - 5}{7^n} = \frac{1}{49} \left[\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{4^n}{7^n} + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{3^n}{7^n} - 5 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{7^n} \right]$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^{n-1} = 1 + r + r^2 + \dots = \frac{1}{1-r}$
 can do this as long as the RHS is finite. [it's indeed the case]

$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{4^n}{7^n} = 1 + \frac{4}{7} + \frac{4^2}{7^2} + \frac{4^3}{7^3} + \frac{4^4}{7^4} + \dots = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{4}{7}} - 1 - \frac{4}{7} = \frac{1}{\frac{3}{7}} - 1 - \frac{4}{7} = \frac{7}{3} - 1 - \frac{4}{7} = \frac{16}{21}$
 a geo. series $r = \frac{4}{7}$

$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{3^n}{7^n} = \frac{3^2}{7^2} + \frac{3^3}{7^3} + \dots = \frac{3^2}{7^2} \left(1 + \frac{3}{7} + \frac{3^2}{7^2} + \dots \right) = \frac{3^2}{7^2} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{3}{7}} = \frac{9}{49} \frac{7}{4} = \frac{9}{28}$
 geo. ser. $r = \frac{3}{7}$

$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{7^n} = \frac{1}{7^2} + \frac{1}{7^3} + \dots = \frac{1}{7^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{7^2} + \dots \right) = \frac{1}{49} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{7}} = \frac{1}{42}$
 geo. ser. $r = \frac{1}{7}$

Answer = $\frac{1}{49} \left[\frac{16}{21} + \frac{9}{28} - \frac{5}{42} \right] = \frac{27}{1372}$

2b. $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\pi^n - e^{2n+1}}{5^n}$ diverges. $e^2 \approx 7.38 > 5$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi^n - e^{2n+1}}{5^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{2n} \left[\left(\frac{\pi}{e^2}\right)^n - e \right]}{5^n} = -\infty \neq 0$$

So, the given series is divergent since the general term of the series tends to a nonzero #.

2c $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right)^{n^2}$ diverges.

Replace n by x . Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)^{x^2} = ?$.

$$y = \left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)^{x^2}$$

$$\ln y = \frac{x^2 \ln\left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)}{1}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 \ln\left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln\left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)}{1/x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-2/x^3}{-2/x^3} = \infty$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln y$

$$\text{So, } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)^{x^2} = \infty \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right)^{n^2} = \infty \neq 0$$

gen. term of the series

So, the given series is divergent.

2d. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$ $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$ ✓.
harmonic series diverges.

2e. $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln\left(\frac{n+2}{n}\right)$ is a divergent telescoping series.

$$\ln\left(\frac{n+2}{n}\right) = \ln(n+2) - \ln(n)$$

So, $a_1 = \ln 3 - \ln 1$

$$a_2 = \ln 4 - \ln 2$$

$$a_3 = \ln 5 - \ln 3$$

$$\vdots$$
$$a_{m-1} = \ln(m+1) - \ln(m-1)$$

$$+ \quad a_m = \ln(m+2) - \ln(m)$$

$$S_m = \ln(m+2) + \ln(m+1) - \ln 1 - \ln 2.$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} S_m = \infty = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln\left(\frac{n+2}{n}\right).$$

So, the given series diverges.

Hw:

Ratio/root test are inconclusive.

2f $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1+3^n}{3^{n+5}}$ is divergent.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+3^n}{3^n \cdot 3^5} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cancel{3^n} \left(\frac{1}{\cancel{3^n}} + 1 \right)}{\cancel{3^n} \cdot 3^5} = \frac{1}{243} \neq 0.$$

2g: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$

Replace n by x .

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\arcsin \frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\arcsin x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}}{1} = 1.$$

$w = \frac{1}{x}$
 $x \rightarrow \infty \therefore w \rightarrow 0^+$ $\lim_{w \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\arcsin w}{w}$

So, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \arcsin\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = 1 \neq 0$. So, the given series diverges.

2h: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{(2n)!}$ = $\frac{2}{2!} + \frac{2^2}{4!} + \frac{2^3}{6!} + \dots$

Ratio test says that this series is convergent. ← So?

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{n+1}}{(2n+2)!} \cdot \frac{(2n)!}{2^n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{(2n+1)(2n+2)} = 0 < 1.$$

We want to find value of the series.

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$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots, x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$\frac{1}{2} e^x = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{2 \cdot 2!} + \frac{x^3}{2 \cdot 3!} + \dots, x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} e^{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{2}{2 \cdot 2!} + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{2 \cdot 3!} + \frac{2 \cdot 2}{2 \cdot 4!} + \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{2} e^{-\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{2}{2 \cdot 2!} - \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{2 \cdot 3!} + \frac{2 \cdot 2}{2 \cdot 4!} - \dots$$

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$$\frac{1}{2} e^{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-\sqrt{2}} = 1 + \frac{2}{2!} + \frac{4}{4!} + \frac{2^3}{6!} + \dots$$

We want the value of this portion.

$$\text{So, } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{(2n)!} = \frac{1}{2} e^{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-\sqrt{2}} - 1. //$$

3. Consider the sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ given by $a_n = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } n \leq 100 \\ -\left(\frac{5049}{5050}\right)^{n-101} & \text{if } n > 100 \end{cases}$

Determine whether or not the infinite series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges. If it converges, find the sum.

Soln:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n &= a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{100} + a_{101} + a_{102} + \dots \\ &= 1 + 2 + \dots + 100 - 1 - \frac{5049}{5050} - \left(\frac{5049}{5050}\right)^2 - \dots \\ &= \frac{100 \cdot 101}{2} - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{5049}{5050}} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

4: Find a series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ whose m^{th} partial sum $S_m = 2^{1-m}(2^m - 1)$. Does this series converge?

Soln: $S_m = 2^{1-m}(2^m - 1) = 2 - 2^{1-m}$

$$a_m = S_m - S_{m-1} = 2 - 2^{1-m} - (2 - 2^{1-(m-1)}) = 2^{2-m} - 2^{1-m} = \frac{4}{2^m} - \frac{2}{2^m} = \frac{2}{2^m} = 2^{1-m}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_m &= a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_m \\ S_{m-1} &= a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{m-1} \\ \hline S_m - S_{m-1} &= a_m \end{aligned}$$

So, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{1-n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 2 = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} S_m = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} 2 - 2^{1-m} = 2$

↓ geo. series, $r = \frac{1}{2}$ ↓ 0

