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$$\begin{aligned}
1). \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3-n} &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n^2-1)} \\
&= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n-1)(n+1)} \\
&= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n} \right) \frac{1}{(n+1)} \\
&= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) - \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n+1} \\
&= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
2). \quad \sum_{n=1}^k \ln \left(\frac{n^2+3n+2}{n^2+3n} \right) &= \sum_{n=1}^k \ln \left(\frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{n(n+3)} \right) \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^k \ln \left(\frac{n+1}{n} \right) - \ln \left(\frac{n+3}{n+2} \right) \\
&= \ln(k+1) - \ln \frac{k+3}{3} \\
&= \ln 3 + \ln \frac{k+1}{k+3} \\
\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln \left(\frac{n^2+3n+2}{n^2+3n} \right) &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^k \ln \left(\frac{n^2+3n+2}{n^2+3n} \right) = \ln 3.
\end{aligned}$$

$$3). \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (3+(-1)^n)^n$$

When n is even, $(3+(-1)^n)^{-n} = 4^{-n}$

When n is odd, $(3+(-1)^n)^{-n} = 2^{-n}$.

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (3+(-1)^n)^n \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 2^{-n} \text{ is convergent.}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (3+(-1)^n)^n &= \sum_{n=2k}^{\infty} (3+(-1)^n)^n + \sum_{n=2k+1}^{\infty} (3+(-1)^n)^n \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 4^{-2k} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{-(2k+1)} \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 16^{-k} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 4^{-k} \\
&= \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{16}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{16}{15} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{3} = \frac{26}{15}
\end{aligned}$$

14.4. $\forall p \in \mathbb{N}, n \in \mathbb{N}$, set $u_{p,n} = \frac{1}{\binom{n+p}{n}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } u_{p,n} &= \frac{n \cdot (n-1) \cdots 1}{(p+n)(p+n-1) \cdots (p+1)} \\ &= \frac{(p+n-p) \cdot (n-1) \cdots 1}{(p+n)(p+n-1) \cdots (p+1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\binom{n+p}{n-1}} - \frac{p}{p+1} \cdot \frac{1}{\binom{n+p}{n-1}} = u_{p,n-1} - \frac{p}{p+1} u_{p+1,n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow u_{p+1,n-1} = \frac{p+1}{p} (u_{p,n-1} - u_{p,n})$$

When $p=0$, $u_{0,n} = \frac{1}{n}$, $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} u_{0,n}$ is divergent.

When $p=1$, $u_{1,n} = \frac{1}{n+1}$, $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} u_{1,n}$ is divergent.

When $p \geq 2$, $u_{p,n} = \frac{p}{p-1} (u_{p-1,n} - u_{p-1,n+1})$, thus

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_{p,n} &= \frac{p}{p-1} (u_{p-1,0} - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_{p-1,n}) \\ &= \frac{p}{p-1} - \frac{p}{p-1} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \cdot (n-1) \cdots 1}{(p+n-1)(p+n-2) \cdots p} \quad \left(n \geq p, \frac{n \cdot (n-1) \cdots 1}{(p+n-1)(p+n-2) \cdots p} \right. \\ &= \frac{p}{p-1} \quad \left. = \frac{(p-1)!}{(p+n-1) \cdots (n+1)} \leq \frac{(p-1)!}{p+n-1} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{In summary, } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_{p,n} = \begin{cases} +\infty & p=0,1 \\ \frac{p}{p-1} & p \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

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14.6. $u_n = \sqrt{n} + a\sqrt{n+1} + b\sqrt{n+2}$

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① $[a,b] = (-2,1)$.

$$u_n = \sqrt{n} - 2\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n+2}$$

$$= (\sqrt{n+2} - \sqrt{n+1}) - (\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n})$$

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

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+2} + \sqrt{n+1}} - 1 = -1$$

(2) $(a, b) \neq (-2, 1)$,

Consider
$$V_n = U_n - (\sqrt{n} - 2\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n+2})$$

$$= (a+2)\sqrt{n+1} + (b-1)\sqrt{n+2}$$

Then
$$\sum_{n \geq 0} U_n = \sum_{n \geq 0} V_n - 1$$

We rewrite

$$\frac{V_n}{a+2} = \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n+2} + A\sqrt{n+2}$$

where $A = \frac{b-1}{a+2} + 1 \neq 1$.

If $A = 0$, $\frac{V_n}{a+2} = \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n+2} \leq \frac{-2}{\sqrt{n+2}} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a+2} \sum_{n \geq 0} U_n = \frac{1}{a+2} \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} V_n - 1 \right) = -\infty$

If $A > 0$, $\frac{V_n}{a+2} = \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n+2} + A\sqrt{n+2}$

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

$$\geq A\sqrt{n+2} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{n+1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+2}} (A(n+2) - 2)$$

$$\geq \frac{2}{\sqrt{n+2}} \quad \text{for } n \geq \frac{2}{A} - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a+2} \sum_{n \geq 0} U_n = \frac{1}{a+2} \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} V_n - 1 \right) = +\infty.$$

If $A < 0$, $\frac{V_n}{a+2} \leq A\sqrt{n+2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{a+2} \sum_{n \geq 0} U_n = \frac{1}{a+2} \left(\sum_{n \geq 0} V_n - 1 \right) = -\infty$

In summary,
$$\sum_{n \geq 0} U_n = \begin{cases} -1 & (a, b) = (-2, 1) \\ \infty & (a, b) \neq (-2, 1) \end{cases}$$

14.8.

Pf: $0 \leq \sum_{n \geq 0} \max\{U_n, V_n\} \leq \sum U_n + \sum V_n \Rightarrow \sum_{n \geq 0} \max\{U_n, V_n\}$ is convergent.

$$0 \leq \sum_{n \geq 0} \sqrt{U_n V_n} \leq \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{U_n + V_n}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \geq 0} U_n + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \geq 0} V_n \Rightarrow \sum_{n \geq 0} \sqrt{U_n V_n} \text{ is convergent.}$$

14.10. $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$,
$$U_n = \begin{cases} -\frac{4}{n} & 5 \nmid n \\ \frac{1}{n} & 5 \mid n \end{cases}$$

$$1). \sum_{k=n+1}^{5n} \frac{1}{k} = \frac{1}{5n-4} + \frac{1}{5n-3} + \frac{1}{5n-2} + \frac{1}{5n-1} - \frac{4}{5n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5n-4} + \frac{1}{5n-3} + \frac{1}{5n-2} + \frac{1}{5n-1} + \frac{1}{5n} - \frac{5}{5n} \quad (\text{桂曼博})$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{5n} u_k = \sum_{k=1}^{5n} \frac{1}{k} - \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} = \sum_{k=n+1}^{5n} \frac{1}{k}$$

$$\ln \frac{5n+1}{n+1} = \sum_{k=n+1}^{5n} \int_k^{k+1} \frac{1}{x} dx < \sum_{k=n+1}^{5n} \frac{1}{k} < \sum_{k=n+1}^{5n} \int_{k-1}^k \frac{1}{x} dx = \int_n^{5n} \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{5n} u_k = \ln 5$$

$$2). \forall n \in \mathbb{N}^*, n \in [5(\lfloor \frac{n}{5} \rfloor), 5(\lfloor \frac{n}{5} \rfloor + 1))$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln \frac{5(\lfloor \frac{n}{5} \rfloor + 1)}{\lfloor \frac{n}{5} \rfloor + 1} < \sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{5} \rfloor} u_k < \sum_{k=1}^n u_k < \sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{5} \rfloor} u_k + \frac{4}{5(\lfloor \frac{n}{5} \rfloor + 1)} < \ln 5 + \frac{4}{5(\lfloor \frac{n}{5} \rfloor + 1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n u_k = \ln 5$$

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$$14.12. \quad x \in]0, \frac{\pi}{2}[, n \in \mathbb{N}, u_n = \ln(\cos \frac{x}{2^n})$$

Pf:

$$\ln(\cos \frac{x}{2^n}) + \ln(\sin \frac{x}{2^n}) = \ln(\sin \frac{x}{2^n} \cdot \cos \frac{x}{2^n}) = \ln(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \sin \frac{x}{2^{n-1}})$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln(\sin \frac{x}{2^n}) + \sum_{k=0}^n \ln(\cos \frac{x}{2^k})$$

$$= \ln \frac{1}{2} + \ln(\sin \frac{x}{2^{n+1}}) + \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \ln(\cos \frac{x}{2^k})$$

$$= n \cdot \ln \frac{1}{2} + \ln(\sin x) = \ln \frac{1}{2^n} + \ln(\sin x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^n \ln(\cos \frac{x}{2^k}) = \ln(\sin x) + \ln \frac{1}{\sin \frac{x}{2^n}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \ln(\cos \frac{x}{2^k}) = \ln \frac{\sin x}{x}$$

14.14. $\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{\ln n}{n}$

Pf: $\forall x \geq 1, \left(\frac{\ln x}{x}\right)' = \frac{\frac{1}{x} \cdot x - \ln x}{x^2} = \frac{1 - \ln x}{x^2} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{\ln x}{x}\right)' < 0, \forall x \geq 3$

$\Rightarrow \forall n \geq 3, \int_n^{n+1} \frac{\ln x}{x} dx < \frac{\ln n}{n} < \int_{n-1}^n \frac{\ln x}{x} dx$

$\Rightarrow \int_3^{n+1} \frac{\ln x}{x} dx < \sum_{k=3}^n \frac{\ln k}{k} < \int_2^n \frac{\ln x}{x} dx$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(\ln(n+1))^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\ln 3)^2 < \sum_{k=3}^n \frac{\ln k}{k} < \frac{1}{2}(\ln n)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\ln 2)^2$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\ln k}{k} \sim \frac{1}{2}(\ln(n+1))^2$

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14.16. $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, u_n = \left(\cos \frac{1}{n}\right) n^\alpha$

Pf:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\cos \frac{1}{n}\right) n^\alpha &= \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{1}{2n}\right) n^\alpha \\ &= \left(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{1}{2n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2\sin^2 \frac{1}{2n}}} \cdot \left(-2\left(\sin^2 \frac{1}{2n}\right) \cdot n^\alpha\right) \\ &= e^{-2\left(\sin^2 \frac{1}{2n}\right) \cdot n^\alpha \cdot \frac{\ln(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{1}{2n})}{-2\sin^2 \frac{1}{2n}}} \end{aligned}$$

where $-2\left(\sin^2 \frac{1}{2n}\right) \cdot n^\alpha \cdot \frac{\ln(1 - 2\sin^2 \frac{1}{2n})}{-2\sin^2 \frac{1}{2n}} = -\frac{n^{\alpha-2}}{2} \left(1 + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)\right)$

$\Rightarrow \exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ sufficiently large s.t. $\forall n \geq n_0$

$$\left(\frac{1}{e^{\frac{1}{4}}}\right) n^{\alpha-2} < \left(\cos \frac{1}{n}\right) n^\alpha = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}\right) n^{\alpha-2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{48n^2} + o\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right)\right) < \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}\right) n^{\alpha-2}$$

\Rightarrow If $\alpha < 2$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\cos \frac{1}{n}\right) n^\alpha = 1 \Rightarrow \sum \left(\cos \frac{1}{n}\right) n^\alpha = +\infty$

If $\alpha = 2$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\cos \frac{1}{n}\right) n^\alpha \geq \frac{1}{e^{\frac{1}{4}}} \Rightarrow \sum \left(\cos \frac{1}{n}\right) n^\alpha = +\infty$

If $\alpha < 2$, $\forall n \geq n_0 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}\right) n^{\alpha-2} < \int_{n^{\alpha-2}}^{(n+1)^{\alpha-2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}\right) x^\alpha dx$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n \geq n_0}^n \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}\right)^{n^{\alpha-2}} &< \int_{n_0^{\alpha-2}}^{(n+1)^{\alpha-2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}\right)^x dx \\ &= \left. \frac{1}{\ln(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}})} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}\right)^x \right|_{n_0^{\alpha-2}}^{(n+1)^{\alpha-2}} \\ &< \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}\right)^{n_0^{\alpha-2}} \end{aligned}$$

In summary, $\sum \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}\right)^{n^{\alpha}} = \begin{cases} < +\infty & \alpha < 2 \\ +\infty & \alpha \geq 2. \end{cases}$

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14.18.

1). pf: $S_{2n} - S_{2(n-1)} = V_{2n} - V_{2n-1} < 0$

$$S_{2n+1} - S_{2(n+1)} = -V_{2n+1} + V_{2n} > 0$$

On the other hand, $S_{2n+1} - S_{2n} = -V_{2n+1} < 0$

$$\Rightarrow S_1 < S_3 < S_5 < \dots < S_{2n+1} < S_{2n} < \dots < S_7 < S_2 < S_0.$$

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2). pf: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \in [2\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil, 2\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil - 1]$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^{2\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil + 1} u_k < \sum_{k=0}^n u_k < \sum_{k=0}^{2\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil} u_k$$

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3). pf: If $\alpha > 0$, let $V_n = \frac{1}{n^{\alpha}}$, $u_n = (-1)^n \frac{1}{n^{\alpha}}$, we can apply (2) to get

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n^{\alpha}} \text{ is convergent.}$$

If $\alpha \leq 0$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^{\alpha}} \neq 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n^{\alpha}} \text{ is divergent.}$

14.19.

pf: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}_+, e^x = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{x^k}{k!} + \frac{e^y}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1}$, for some $y \in [0, x]$

\Rightarrow

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{x^k}{k!} \leq e^x \leq \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{x^k}{k!} + \frac{e^x}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1}$$

\Rightarrow

$$e^x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{x^k}{k!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

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