

1) Find the sum of the following series

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i = \sum_{i \geq 1} x_i = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^m x_i}_{s_m}, \quad s_m = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m$$

$$a) \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{2}{3^n} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3^2} + \frac{2}{3^3} + \dots =$$

$$1 + r + r^2 + \dots + r^m = \frac{1 - r^{m+1}}{1 - r} \quad 1 + r + r^2 + \dots + r^m + \dots = \frac{1}{1 - r}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{3^m} \right) = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^m - 1}{\frac{1}{3} - 1} =$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i \geq 1} x_i = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^m - 1}{-\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{2} = 1$$

$$b) \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{2n+1}{n!} = , \quad e = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{n!}$$

$$= \frac{3}{1!} + \frac{5}{2!} + \dots + \frac{2n+1}{n!} + \dots = \sum_{n \geq 1} \left(\frac{2n}{n!} + \frac{1}{n!} \right) =$$

$$= 2 \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{(n-1)!} + \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n!} = 2 \cdot \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{n!} + \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n!} =$$

$$= 2 \cdot e + \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{n!} - 1 = 2 \cdot e + e - 1 = 3 \cdot e - 1$$

$$c) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4n^2-1} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)(2n+1)} =$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2n-1} - \frac{1}{2n+1} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(\underbrace{\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{3}}_{n=1} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5}}_{n=2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n-3} - \frac{1}{2n-1} + \frac{1}{2n-1} - \frac{1}{2n+1} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2n+1} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

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

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

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

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

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Method 2: $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n(n+1)} - \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \right) =$

$\begin{matrix} 1 \cdot 2 \\ 2 \cdot 3 \\ 3 \cdot 4 \end{matrix}$
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$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} =$$

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

$$b) S = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{n}{2^n} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{2^2} + \frac{3}{2^3} + \dots =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1+1}{2^2} + \frac{2+1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{n-1+1}{2^n} + \dots =$$

$$> \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{2^n} + \left(\frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{2}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{n-1}{2^n} + \dots \right) =$$

$$= \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{2^n} + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{n}{2^n}}_{=S} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot S$$

$$S = 1 + \frac{1}{2} S \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \cdot S = 1 \Rightarrow S = 2$$

Method 2:

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{2^n} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots \right) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 1$$

$$S = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{n}{2^n} = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{n+1-1}{2^n} = 2 \underbrace{\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{n+1}{2^{n+1}}}_{S - \frac{1}{2}} - \underbrace{\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{2^n}}_{=1}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = 2\left(S - \frac{1}{2}\right) - 1$$

$$\text{f) } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{\frac{1}{3}}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n}} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} = \infty = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{7} + \dots$$

$$1 + \frac{1}{2} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}}_{\frac{1}{2}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8}}_{\frac{1}{2}} + \dots$$

3) Study if the following series are convergent or divergent

$$a) \sum_{n \geq 2} \frac{1}{\ln n}$$

$$e^x \geq x, \forall x \geq 2$$

$$x \geq \ln x, \forall x \geq 2$$

$$\frac{1}{x} \leq \frac{1}{\ln x}$$

$$\left(\sum_{n \geq 2} \frac{1}{n} \right) \leq \sum_{n \geq 2} \frac{1}{\ln n} \left. \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow \sum_{n \geq 2} \frac{1}{\ln n} = \infty \\ \Rightarrow \text{divergent} \end{array} \right\}$$

Comparison test:

$$\text{if } x_n \leq y_n$$

$$\text{if } \sum x_n \text{ div.} \Rightarrow \sum y_n \text{ div.}$$

$$\sum y_n \text{ conv.} \Rightarrow \sum x_n \text{ conv.}$$

$$b) \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n+1}} < \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n}} = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n \cdot n^{\frac{1}{2}}} =$$

$$= \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n^{\frac{3}{2}}} \text{ Convergent } \left(\frac{3}{2} > 1\right) \Rightarrow \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n+1}} \text{ Convergent}$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n^p} \text{ convergent} \Leftrightarrow p > 1$$

$$c) \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{\ln(1 + \frac{1}{n})}{n}$$

$$\sum x_n \text{ conv} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$$

Comparison test 2: $l \in (0, \infty) \Rightarrow \sum x_n$ and $\sum y_n$ have the same nature

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n}{y_n} = l$$

$$l = \infty \quad \sum y_n \text{ div.} \Rightarrow \sum x_n \text{ div.}$$

$$l = 0 \quad \sum y_n \text{ conv} \Rightarrow \sum x_n \text{ conv.}$$

$$\text{Let } y_n = \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n}{y_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\ln(1 + \frac{1}{n})}{n}}{\frac{1}{n^2}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) =$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n = \ln e = 1$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \sum_{n \geq 1} y_n = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n^2} \text{ convergent} \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x_n}{y_n} = 1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \sum_{n \geq 1} x_n \text{ convergent}$$

$$d) \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{n!}{n^3}$$

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Ratio test

$$\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \rightarrow l$$

$l < 1 \Rightarrow \sum x_n$ convergent

$l > 1 \Rightarrow \sum x_n$ divergent

$l = 1 \Rightarrow$ inconclusive

$$\frac{\frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}}}{\frac{n!}{n^3}} = \frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{n^3}{n!} = \frac{n^3}{(n+1)^n} = \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n =$$

$$= \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^n = \frac{1}{e} < 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{n \geq 1} x_n \text{ is convergent}$$

$$e) \sum_{n \geq 1} \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^{n^2}$$

Root test

$$\sqrt[n]{x_n} \rightarrow l$$

$l < 1 \Rightarrow \sum x_n$ convergent

$l > 1 \Rightarrow \sum x_n$ divergent

$l = 1 \Rightarrow$ inconclusive

$$\sqrt[n]{x_n} = \sqrt[n]{\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^{n^2}} = \left[\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^{n^2}\right]^{\frac{1}{n}} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{e} < 1 \xRightarrow{\text{ratio test}} \sum_{n \geq 1} \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^{n^2} \text{ convergent}$$

$$f) \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n \ln n}$$

Condensation test: (x_n) decreasing $x_n > 0$

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} x_n \text{ conv} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{n \geq 0} 2^n \cdot x_{2^n} \text{ conv}$$

$$\frac{1}{2^n \cdot \ln 2^n} \cdot 2^n = \frac{1}{\ln 2^n} = \frac{1}{n \ln 2}$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n \ln 2} = \frac{1}{\ln 2} \cdot \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n} = \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n \ln n} \text{ divergent}$$

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Ex: $\sum \frac{n}{2^n}$

$$\sum_{k \geq 1} k \cdot x^k = x \cdot \sum_{k \geq 1} k \cdot x^{k-1} =$$

$$1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^m = \frac{1 - x^{m+1}}{1 - x} \quad / ()'$$

$$1 + 2x + \dots + m x^{m-1}, \quad x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= x \sum (x^k)' = x \cdot \left(\sum_{k=1}^m x^k \right)'$$

$\underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{S_m}$