

## Exercise 11.3

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**16.**  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n^3+1}$

Let  $f(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^3+1}$ , so

$$f'(x) = \frac{2x(x^3+1) - x^2(3x^2)}{(x^3+1)^2} = \frac{x(2-x^3)}{(x^3+1)^2}$$

$\therefore$  when  $x \geq 2$ ,  $f'(x) < 0$ ,  $f(x)$  is decreasing.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_2^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{x^3+1} dx &= \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{3(x^3+1)} dx \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{\ln |x^3+1|}{3} \right|_2^t \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{3} \ln \left| \frac{t^3+1}{9} \right| \\ &= \infty \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \int_2^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{x^3+1} dx$  is divergent

$\therefore$  by integral test,  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{n^3+1}$  is also divergent.

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

**22.**  $\lim_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^2}$

Let  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2}$ ,  $x \geq 2$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2} dx &= \int_2^{\infty} \frac{1}{(\ln x)^2} d \ln x \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left( -\frac{1}{\ln x} \right) \Big|_2^t \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{\ln 2} - \frac{1}{\ln t} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\ln 2} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore f(x)$  is obviously decreasing  
 $\therefore \int_2^\infty \frac{1}{x(\ln x)^2} dx$  is convergent  
 $\therefore \sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{1}{n(\ln n)^2}$  is also convergent.

**23.**  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{e^{\frac{1}{n}}}{n^2}$

Let  $f(x) = \frac{e^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x^2}$ ,  $x > 0$ , and let  $t = \frac{1}{x} > 0$ , then  $f(x)$  can be rewritten as

$$f(t) = t^2 e^t$$

$\therefore f'(t) = (t^2 + 2t)e^t = ((t+1)^2 - 1)e^t > 0$   
 $\therefore \forall t \in (0, \infty), f(t)$  is increasing  
 $\therefore \forall x \in (0, \infty), f(x)$  is decreasing

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \int_1^\infty \frac{e^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x^2} dx &= \int_1^\infty -e^{\frac{1}{x}} d\frac{1}{x} \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (-e^{\frac{1}{x}}) \Big|_1^t \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (e^1 - e^{\frac{1}{t}}) \\
 &= e - 1
 \end{aligned}$$

which means  $\int_1^\infty \frac{e^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x^2}$  is convergent

$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{e^{\frac{1}{n}}}{n^2}$  is also convergent

**24.**  $\sum_{n=3}^\infty \frac{n^2}{e^n}$

TODO

**26.**  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{n}{n^4+1}$

Let  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^4+1}$ ,  $x \geq 1$ , so

$$f'(x) = \frac{x^4 + 1 - 4x^4}{(x^4 + 1)^2} = \frac{1 - 3x^4}{(x^4 + 1)^2} < 0$$

$\therefore f(x)$  is decreasing

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_1^\infty \frac{x}{x^4+1} dx &= \int_1^\infty \frac{1}{2(x^4+1)} dx^2 \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\arctan x^2}{2} \Big|_1^t \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\arctan t^2 - \frac{\pi}{4}}{2} \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \int_1^\infty \frac{x}{x^4+1} dx$  is convergent  
 $\therefore \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{n}{n^4+1}$  is also convergent

**33. The Riemann zeta-function  $\zeta$  is defined by**

$$\zeta(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^x}$$

**and is used in number theory to study the distribution of prime numbers. What is the domain of  $\zeta$  ?**

$\therefore \zeta(x)$  is used to study the distribution of prime numbers  
 $\therefore \zeta(x)$  must be integrable  
 $\therefore \zeta(x)$  must be convergent  
 $\therefore$  by the  $p$ -series,  $x > 1$   
 $\therefore$  the domain of  $\zeta$  is  $(1, \infty)$

**Leonhard Euler was able to calculate the exact sum of the  $p$ -series with  $p = 2$ :**

$$\zeta(2) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$

**Use this fact to find the sum of each series.**

(a)  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2}$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{1^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - 1$$

(b)  $\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} &= \sum_{n=4}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \\
 &= \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \right) - \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{9} \\
 &= \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{41}{36}
 \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\because \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \text{ is convergent}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)^2} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4n^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \\ &= \frac{\pi^2}{24} \end{aligned}$$