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1. Determine whether the sequence  $a_n = \ln(3n^2 - 2) - \ln(n^2 + 1)$  converges or diverges; if it converges, find its limit  $L$ .

- A. converges,  $L = 3$       B. diverges      C. converges,  $L = \ln 3$       D. converges,  $L = \ln(-3)$   
 E. converges,  $L = -\ln 3$       F. diverges,  $L = \ln 3$       G. converges,  $L = \infty$       H. none of the above

$$a_n = \ln(3n^2 - 2) - \ln(n^2 + 1) = \ln \frac{3n^2 - 2}{n^2 + 1}$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{3n^2 - 2}{n^2 + 1} = \frac{3 - \frac{2}{n^2}}{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}} \rightarrow 3,$$

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \ln 3$$

2. Write a formula for the  $n$ -th entry of the sequence  $a_1 = 1/3, a_2 = -2/9, a_3 = 4/27, a_4 = -8/81, \dots$  and find  $S = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ .

- A.  $a_n = (-1)^{n-1} 2^n / 3^n, S = 2/5$       B.  $a_n = (-1)^{n-1} 2^{n-1} / 3^n, S = 1/5$       C.  $a_n = -2^n / 3^n, S = 1/5$   
 D.  $a_n = (-1)^{n-1} 2^n / 3^n, S = 1/5$       E.  $a_n = (-1)^{n-1} 2^{n-1} / 3^n, S = 1/5$       F. none of the above

$$\text{Since } a_{n+1} = \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) a_n \text{ for any } n \geq 1,$$

$$a_n = a_1 \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^{n-1} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^{n-1} = (-1)^{n-1} \frac{2^{n-1}}{3^n}$$

$$S = a_1 + a_2 + \dots = \frac{1}{3} \left(1 + \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) + \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \dots\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{5}{3}} = \frac{1}{5}$$

3. Which of the following series converge? (I)  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k \sin k}{1+k^3}$ , (II)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n}{n+2}$  (III)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2n^2+n}{3n^3-2}$

- A. all these series    B. (II) and (III)    C. none of these series    D. (I) and (III)    **E. (I) only**  
 F. (II) only    G. (III) only    H. none of the above

(I)  $\left| \frac{k \sin k}{1+k^3} \right| \leq \frac{k}{1+k^3} \leq \frac{1}{k^2}$ , whence (I) converges  
 by the comparison criterion (as  $\sum \frac{1}{k^2}$  is  $p$ -series with  $p=2$ )

(II)  $|(-1)^n \frac{n}{n+2}| = \frac{n}{n+2} \rightarrow 1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow$  (II) diverges

(III) Compare with the series of  $b_n = \frac{1}{n}$ . Then

$\frac{a_n}{b_n} = \frac{2n^2+n}{3n^3-2} \cdot n \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}$ . Since  $\sum b_n$  diverges  
 (as a  $p$ -series with  $p=1$ ),  $\sum a_n$  also diverges

4. Choose one of the following descriptions of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{2^n \cos n}{4^n - n^2}$

- A. absolutely divergent    B. geometric divergent    C. alternating conditionally convergent  
 D. alternating absolutely convergent    E. absolutely conditionally convergent    F. alternating divergent  
**G. absolutely convergent**    H. geometric convergent    I. none of the above

$|a_n| = \frac{2^n |\cos n|}{4^n - n^2} \leq \frac{2^n}{4^n - n^2} = b_n$ ; the series  $\sum b_n$   
 converges by the ratio test, since  $\frac{b_{n+1}}{b_n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} < 1$ ,  
 therefore  $\sum |a_n|$  is convergent by the comparison test,  
 so that  $\sum a_n$  is absolutely convergent; it is not  
 alternating as  $\cos n$  changes sign.

5. How many terms  $n$  of the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^3}$  should one take so that the error  $R_n$  be less than 0.01?

- A. 10    B. 11    C.  $\infty$     D. 15    E. 14    **F. 8**    G. 7    H. none of the above

$a_n = \frac{1}{n^3} = f(n)$  for  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^3}$  which is non-negative and monotone, whence  
 $R_n \leq \int_n^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_n^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^3} = \frac{1}{2n^2}$ , so that  
 $n$  has to satisfy the inequality  $\frac{1}{2n^2} \leq 0.01 = \frac{1}{100}$ ,  
 or  $n^2 \geq 50$ . The minimal  $n$  with this property is  $n=8$ .

6. Estimate the error when the series  $\frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{5} + \frac{2}{7} - \frac{2}{9} + \dots$  is approximated by its first 50 terms.

- A.  $\frac{1}{50}$     B.  $-\frac{2}{101}$     **C.  $\frac{2}{103}$**     D.  $\frac{1}{103}$     E. 0    F.  $\frac{2}{101^2}$     G. none of the above

This series is alternating with the  $n$ -th term  
 $a_n = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{2}{2n+1}$ . Since  $|a_n|$  is monotone,

$$|R_{50}| \leq |a_{51}| = \frac{2}{103}$$

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