

Is $a_n = \frac{n}{n^2+1}$ monotonic?

If so how would you show this?

$$\begin{aligned}\text{let } S_n &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{i} - \frac{1}{i+1} \right) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\end{aligned}$$

Does this series converge?

Based on the above what is

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

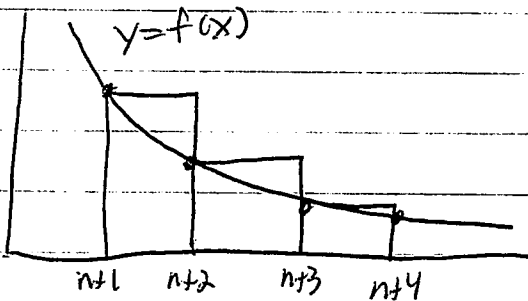
Integral Test.

Let $f(x)$ be a continuous, positive,

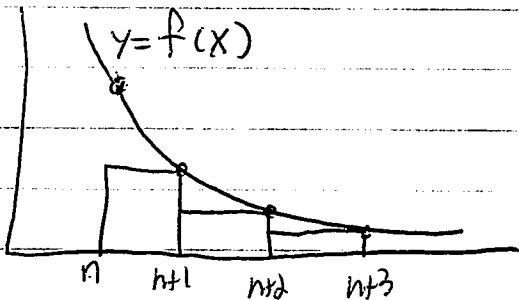
decreasing function defined for $x \geq 1$,

Let $a_n = f(n)$, for $n = 1, 2, \dots$

Then the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ converges iff $\int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$ converges.



$$\sum_{k=n+1}^N a_k > \int_{n+1}^{N+1} f(x) dx$$



$$\int_n^N f(x) dx > \sum_{k=n+1}^N a_k$$

furthermore $S_n + \int_{n+1}^{\infty} f(x) dx \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \leq S_n + \int_n^{\infty} f(x) dx$

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