

## Calculus - Chapter 43 - Infinite Series.

**Notation:** Sequence  $\langle S_n \rangle$  has sum  $\sum S_n = S_1 + \dots + S_n$ , where  $S_1, \dots, S_n$  are the terms.

**Converge:** If  $S$  is such a number that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} S_n = S$  then  $\sum S_n$  is said to converge and  $S$  is the sum.

**Diverge:** If there is no such number  $S$ ,  $\sum S_n$  is said to diverge.

**Geometric Series:** Sequence  $\langle ar^{n-1} \rangle$  has sum  $\sum ar^{n-1}$  with ratio  $r$  and first term  $a$ .  
It's  $n$ th partial sum  $S_n$  is:

$$S_n = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1}$$

$$(xr) \quad rS_n = ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^n$$

$$(1-r)S_n = a(1-r^n)$$

$$S_n = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$\text{If } |r| < 1, \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} r^n = 0 \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} S_n = a/(1-r)$$

$$\text{If } |r| > 1, \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} = \infty$$

**Theorem:** Given  $\sum ar^{n-1}$ :

(a). If  $|r| < 1$ , the series converges and has sum  $a/(1-r)$

(b). If  $|r| > 1$ , and  $r \neq 0$ , the series diverges to  $\infty$ .

**Example:**  $\sum (1/2)^{n-1}$  with ratio  $r=1/2$  and first term  $a=1$ .  $(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots)$

The series converges and has sum

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

**Theorem:** If  $c \neq 0$  then  $\sum cS_n$  converges iff  $\sum S_n$  converges, e.g.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} cS_n = c \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} S_n$$

To obtain result, denote  $T_n = cS_1 + cS_2 + \dots + cS_n$ , then  $T_n = cS_n$

So  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} T_n$  exists if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} S_n$  exists.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} T_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} S_n.$$

Theorem:

Assume  $\sum s_n$  and  $\sum t_n$  both converge, sum is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (s_n + t_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} s_n + \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} t_n$$

To prove: the  $n$ th partial sum  $U_n$  of  $\sum (s_n + t_n)$  is

$$s_n + t_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} U_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} S_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} T_n.$$

Corollary:

Assume  $\sum s_n$  and  $\sum t_n$  both converge, then  $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (s_n - t_n)$  also converges.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (s_n - t_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} s_n - \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} t_n.$$

Theorem:

If  $\sum s_n$  converges, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} s_n = 0$  i.e.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} s_n = 0$

To prove: assume  $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} s_n = S$ , which means  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} S_n = S$

we also have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} S_{n-1} = S$

$$\text{but } s_n = S_n - S_{n-1}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} s_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} S_n - \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} S_{n-1} = S - S = 0.$$

Divergence

Theorem:

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} s_n$  does not exist or  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} s_n \neq 0$ , then  $\sum s_n$  diverges

Example:

Series  $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{7} + \dots$  diverges

$$\text{Proof: } s_n = \frac{n}{2n+1}, \text{ and since } \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{n}{2n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \neq 0$$