

Notes of "Elementary Facts about Series"

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1 Overview

- The sum of a series and the Cauchy criterion for convergence of a series
 - Def: A (infinite) series
 - Def: The terms of a series and the n -th term
 - Def: The (n -th) partial sum of a series
 - Def: A convergent or divergent series
 - Def: The sum of a series
 - Thm: The Cauchy convergence criterion for a series
 - Cor: The equivalence of the convergence between two series with only finite terms different
 - Cor: A necessary condition for a series to be convergent in terms of the limit of its terms
- Absolute convergence, the comparison theorem and its consequences
 - Def: A series is absolutely convergent
 - Rmk: Absolute convergence implies convergence, but the opposite is not true
 - Thm: Criterion for convergence of series of nonnegative terms in terms of bounds
 - Thm: (Comparison theorem)
 - Thm: (The Weierstrass M-test for absolute convergence)
 - Cor: (Cauchy's test)
 - Cor: (d'Alembert's test)
 - Prop: (Cauchy) A necessary and sufficient condition for a monotonic nonnegative series to be absolutely convergent in terms of the generated series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^k a_{2^k}$
 - Cor: The convergence of the series $\zeta(p) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^p}$
- The number e as the sum of a series