

1 Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence with positive terms,

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$  and  $\frac{1+a_{n+1}}{2+a_n} = \frac{n+3}{2n+1} \cdot a_{n-1}$ . What

is the value of  $a$ ?

- A)  $\sqrt{2}$       B)  $\sqrt{3}$       C) 1      D)  $\sqrt{6}$       E) 2

$$\frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1}}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2 + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+3}{2n+1} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n-1} \Rightarrow$$
$$\frac{\cancel{1} + \cancel{a}}{\cancel{2} + \cancel{a}} = \frac{\cancel{n+3}}{\cancel{2n+1}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{a}}{\cancel{a-1}} = \frac{1}{2}$$
$$\frac{1+a}{2+a} \neq \frac{1}{2} \cdot Q \Rightarrow$$

$$2+2a = 2a+a^2 \Rightarrow a^2 = 2 \Rightarrow a = -\sqrt{2} \text{ or } \sqrt{2}$$

$\{a_n\}$  is a sequence with positive terms so  
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$  must be positive. Hence,  $a = \sqrt{2}$ .

② Which of the following is true about the sequence  $\{a_n\} = \{n - \sqrt{n^2-1}\}$ ?

A)  $\{a_n\}$  is decreasing

B)  $\{a_n\}$  is increasing

C)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -1$

D)  $\{a_n\}$  is not monotonic

E)  $\{a_n\}$  is divergent

$$a_n = (n - \sqrt{n^2-1}) \cdot 1 = (n - \sqrt{n^2-1}) \frac{(n + \sqrt{n^2-1})}{(n + \sqrt{n^2-1})} \Rightarrow$$

$$a_n = \frac{n - \sqrt{n^2-1}}{n + \sqrt{n^2-1}} = \frac{1}{\frac{n + \sqrt{n^2-1}}{n - \sqrt{n^2-1}}} > \frac{1}{(n+1) + \sqrt{(n+1)^2-1}} = a_{n+1}$$

so  $a_n > a_{n+1}$  for all  $n$ . Hence,

$\{a_n\}$  is decreasing.

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3. Which of the following is true for the sequences  $a_n = \frac{n^n}{n!}$  and  $b_n = \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (2n)}$ ?

- a)  $a_n$  is increasing,  $b_n$  is decreasing
- b)  $a_n$  is decreasing,  $b_n$  is increasing
- c) Both of them are decreasing
- d) Both of them are increasing
- e) Both of them are neither decreasing nor increasing

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} &= \frac{n^n / n!}{(n+1)^{n+1} / (n+1)!} = \frac{n^n}{n!} \cdot \frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \\ &= \frac{n^n}{n!} \cdot \frac{(n+1) \cdot n!}{(n+1)(n+1)^n} \\ &= \frac{n^n}{(n+1)^n} < \frac{n^n}{n^n} = 1 \text{ so} \end{aligned}$$

$\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} < 1$  for all  $n$ , i.e.,  $a_n < a_{n+1}$  for all  $n$ .

Hence,  $a_n$  is increasing.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{b_n}{b_{n+1}} &= \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1) / 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (2n)}{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1)(2n+1) / 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (2n)(2n+2)} = \\ &\frac{\cancel{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1)}}{\cancel{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (2n)}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (2n)(2n+2)}}{\cancel{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1)(2n+1)}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2n+2}{2n+1} > \frac{2n+1}{2n+1} = 1 \text{ so } \frac{b_n}{b_{n+1}} > 1 \text{ for all } n,$$

i.e.,  $b_n > b_{n+1}$  for all  $n$ . Hence,  $b_n$  is decreasing.

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7. Let  $a_n = \int_{n-3}^{n+4} \left( \frac{x^2+5}{x^2+1} \right) dx$  for  $n = 4, 5, 6, \dots$ . Which of the following is equal to the limit of the sequence  $(a_n)$ ?

- a) 1  
d) -1

- b) 7  
e)  $7 + \pi$

$$a_n = \int_{n-3}^{n+4} \left( \frac{x^2+5}{x^2+1} \right) dx = \int_{n-3}^{n+4} \left( \frac{x^2+1+4}{x^2+1} \right) dx = \int_{n-3}^{n+4} \left( 1 + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2+1} \right) dx$$

$$\frac{x^2+1}{x^2+1} + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{x^2+1}$$

$$a_n = \left[ x + 4 \cdot \arctan x \right] \Big|_{n-3}^{n+4}$$

$$a_n = [(n+4) + 4 \cdot \arctan(n+4)] - [(n-3) + 4 \cdot \arctan(n-3)]$$

$$a_n = [n+4 - n+3 + 4 \cdot [\arctan(n+4) - \arctan(n-3)]]$$

$$a_n = 7 + 4 \cdot [\arctan(n+4) - \arctan(n-3)]$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \underbrace{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 7}_{7} + 4 \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\arctan(n+4) - \arctan(n-3)]$$

$$7 + 4 \cdot \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2} \right] = 7 + 4 \cdot 0 = 7$$

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19. Let  $b_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n}\right)^{10n}$  ( $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ ) and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = b$ .  
 Then which of the following is equal to  $b$ ?

- (a)  $e^2$
- (b)  $e^{-2}$
- (c)  $2e$
- (d)  $\sqrt{2}e^2$
- (e)  $e^{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\ln b_n = 10n \cdot \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n}\right) \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln b_n = \ln \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n\right)$$

$$= \ln b = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 10n \cdot \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n}\right)}{\frac{1}{10n}} \left(\frac{0}{0}\right)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{5n^2}\right) / \left(1 + \frac{1}{5n}\right)}{-\frac{1}{10n^2}}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-\frac{10n^2}{5n^2}}{1 + \frac{1}{5n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{1 + \frac{1}{5n}} \xrightarrow[0]{} 0 = \frac{2}{1} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln b = 2 \Rightarrow b = e^2$$

⑥ Which of the following is equal to the sum

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n + 2^n + 3^n}{4^n}$$

A)  $\frac{14}{5}$

B)  $\frac{9}{5}$

C)  $\frac{7}{2}$

D) 1

E)  $\frac{7}{3}$

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n + 2^n + 3^n}{4^n} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left( -\frac{1}{4} \right)^n + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^n + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{3}{4} \right)^n$$

Geometric series

$$= \frac{\left( -\frac{1}{4} \right)^2}{1 - \left( -\frac{1}{4} \right)} + \frac{\left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} + \frac{\left( \frac{3}{4} \right)^2}{1 - \frac{3}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{16} \cdot \frac{4}{5}}{\left( \frac{1}{20} \right) \left( \frac{1}{5} \right)} + \frac{\frac{1}{4} \cdot 2}{\left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{5} \right)} + \frac{\frac{9}{16} \cdot 4}{\left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{5} \right)} = \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{9}{4}$$

$$= \frac{1+10+45}{20} = \frac{56}{20} = \frac{14}{5}$$

Note:  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1}$  Geometric series

If  $|r| < 1$ , then  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ar^{n-1} = \frac{a}{1-r}$

⑦ Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 2$  where  $a_n > 0, b_n > 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Then which of the following is correct for the series

given by I.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  II.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n$  ?

- A) Both I and II diverge B) Both I and II converge C) I diverges, II converges D) I converges, II diverges E) None of them

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = |2| = 2 > 1$  so  $\sum a_n$  is divergent by the ratio test.
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 2 \neq 0$  so  $\sum b_n$  is divergent by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term test.

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6. If  $a_n$  is the general term of the sequence, which of the following matches is correct?

- I. If the sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is divergent, then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a_n}$  is also divergent.
- II. If the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is divergent, then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a_n}$  is also divergent.
- III. If the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is convergent, then the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a_n}$  is divergent.

$$M : a_n = \sqrt{n} \quad K : a_n = \frac{1}{2^n} \quad L : a_n = \frac{1}{n}$$

- a) I-L, II-M, III-K
- b) I-M, II-K, III-L
- c) I-M, II-L, III-K
- d) I-L, II-K, III-M
- e) I-K, II-M, III-L

- K:  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n}$  is Geometric series with  $r = \frac{1}{2} < 1$  so  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is convergent.
- $\Rightarrow \text{III - K}$
- L:  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  is Harmonic series divergent  
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n = \infty$  so  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a_n}$   
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n = \infty$  so  $\{a_n\}$  is divergent by the  $n$ th term test.  
 $\Rightarrow \text{II - L}$
- As a result I - M  $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/2} = \infty$  so  $\{a_n\}$  is divergent by the  $n$ th term test  
 $\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a_n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/2}}$  p-series  $p = 1/2 < 1$  so  
series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a_n}$  is divergent

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1. Which of the following is equal to the sum  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( 2^{\frac{1}{n}} - 2^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \right)$ ?  $\overbrace{=}^{=a_n}$

- a) 1      b) -1      c) 2      d) -2      e)  $\frac{1}{2}$

$$S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$$

$$S_n = (2 - \cancel{2}) + (\cancel{2} - \cancel{3\sqrt[3]{2}}) + (\cancel{3\sqrt[3]{2}} - \cancel{4\sqrt[4]{2}}) + \dots \\ + \left( 2^{\frac{1}{n-1}} - 2^{\frac{1}{n}} \right) + \left( 2^{\frac{1}{n}} - 2^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \right) \text{ so}$$

$$S_n = 2 - 2^{\frac{1}{n+1}}$$

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

$$= 2 - 2^0 = 2 - 1 = \frac{1}{7}$$

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4. Which of the following is true about the convergence of the following series, respectively?

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n \ln n}{3^n}, \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n, \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right)$$

- a) convergent, convergent, conditionally convergent
- b)** convergent, convergent, divergent
- c) divergent, convergent, absolutely convergent
- d) convergent, divergent, conditionally convergent
- e) divergent, convergent, divergent

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bullet \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{(n+1)\ln(n+1)}{3^{n+1}}}{\frac{n \ln n}{3^n}} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)\ln(n+1)}{3^n \cdot 3} \cdot \frac{3^n}{n \ln n} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\ln n} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(1+\frac{1}{n})}{n} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(1+\frac{1}{n})}{\ln n} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(n+1)}{\ln n} \left( \frac{\infty}{\infty} \right) &\stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{n+1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n(1+\frac{1}{n})} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{n}} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \right| = \frac{1}{3} < 1. \text{ Hence,} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n \ln n}{3^n}$  is absolutely convergent (so convergent) by the ratio test.

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{|\tan n|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{2} + 0 = \frac{1}{2} < 1$  so  
 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n$  is absolutely convergent (so convergent)  
 by the root test.

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right) = \cos 0 = 1 \neq 0$  so we cannot use  
 Alternating Series  
 test.

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^{n+1} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right)$  does not exist (It oscillates between -1 and 1).

Hence,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \cdot \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right)$  is divergent.