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Module #29 (Convergent and Divergent Series)

1. Simplify $\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{99 \cdot 100}$. Sum

$$= \left(\frac{1}{(i)(i+1)} \text{ as } i \text{ goes from } 1 \text{ to } 100 \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{i} - \frac{1}{i+1} \text{ as } i \text{ goes from } 1 \text{ to } 100 \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{100} \right) \right)$$

$$= 1 - \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \dots \right) + \frac{1}{100}$$

$$= \frac{99}{100}$$