

M242 HW 9

12.1 51, 60

51. Consider two cases. First, when  $|r| \geq 1$  then  $\{r^n\}$  diverges, so does  $\{nr^n\}$  (since

$|nr^n| = n|r^n| \geq |r^n|$ . Now, if  $|r| < 1$  then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} xr^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{r^{-x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(-\ln r)r^{-x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r^x}{-\ln r} = 0$ . So,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} nr^n = 0$  and thus  $\{nr^n\}$  converges for  $|r| < 1$ .

60. Consider  $f(x) = x + \frac{1}{x}$ , Now  $f'(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x^2}$  which is greater than 0 if  $x > 1$ , so  $f$  is increasing if  $x$  is greater than 1. This is not bounded since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(n + \frac{1}{n}\right) = \infty$ .

12.2 10, 17, 18, 21, 23, 27

10. a) These are both the sum of the first  $n$  terms of the sequence.

b)  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i$  is the sum of the first  $n$  terms of the sequence, where  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_j$  is just  $a_j + a_j + \dots + a_j$

17.  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^{n-1}}{4^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^{n-1}}{(4)(4^{n-1})} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-3}{4}\right)^{n-1}$  now this is a geometric series with  $a = 1, r = -\frac{3}{4}$ , since  $|r| < 1$ , the series converges to  $\frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{1 - (-3/4)}\right) = \frac{1}{7}$ .

18.  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^n$  this is a geometric series with  $|r| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \approx .707 < 1$  so the series converges to  $\frac{1}{1 - 1/\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2} - 1} = \sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2} + 1) = \sqrt{2} + 2$ .

21.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+5} = 1 \neq 0$  so the series diverges.

23. Using partial fractions, we know that  $\frac{2}{(i+1)(i-1)} = \frac{A}{(i+1)} + \frac{B}{(i-1)}$ , so solving for  $A$  and  $B$  gives  $A = -1, B = 1$ . Consider the  $n$ th sum,

$s_n = \sum_{i=2}^n \left( \frac{1}{i-1} - \frac{1}{i+1} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \cdots + \left( \frac{1}{n-3} - \frac{1}{n-1} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{n-2} - \frac{1}{n} \right)$  This is a  
 telescoping series with  $s_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n}$ . So  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n^2-1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n} \right) = \frac{3}{2}$

$$27. \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^n + 2^n}{6^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{3^n}{6^n} + \frac{2^n}{6^n} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^n + \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^n \right) = \frac{1/2}{1-1/2} + \frac{1/3}{1-1/3} = \frac{3}{2}$$