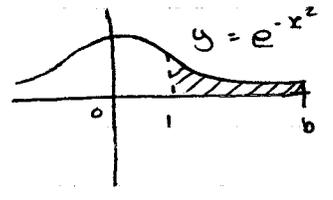
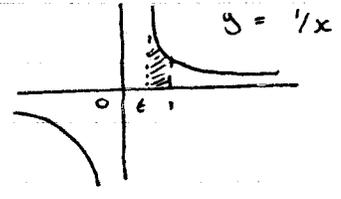


Improper Integrals (Section 8.8)

$$\int_1^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^b e^{-x^2} dx$$



$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_t^1 \frac{1}{x} dx$$



Definition :

Improper integrals with infinite integration limits

Let  $f$  be a continuous function

Then,

$$\textcircled{1} \int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$\textcircled{2} \int_{-\infty}^b f(x) dx = \lim_{a \rightarrow -\infty} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$\textcircled{3} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^c f(x) dx + \int_c^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

where  $c$  is any real number.

Converges if both  $\int_{-\infty}^c f(x) dx$  and  $\int_c^{\infty} f(x) dx$  converge. Otherwise it diverges.

Example :

$$\textcircled{1} \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x} dx = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b x e^{-x} dx = -x e^{-x} - \int (-e^{-x}) dx = -x e^{-x} - e^{-x} + C$$

$$\begin{array}{l} u = x \Rightarrow u' = 1 \\ v' = e^{-x} \Rightarrow v = -e^{-x} \end{array}$$

$$\int_0^b x e^{-x} dx = (-x e^{-x} - e^{-x}) \Big|_0^b = -b e^{-b} - e^{-b} + 1$$

$$\lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} e^{-b} = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{e^b} = 0$$



③ Let  $f$  be a function that is continuous on  $[a, b]$  except at  $c$  in  $[a, b]$ , where it has an infinite discontinuity.

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx + \int_c^b f(x) dx$$

Examples

$$\textcircled{1} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_t^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} (2 - 2t^{1/2}) = 2$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \int x^{-1/2} dx = 2x^{1/2} + C$$

$$\int_t^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = 2x^{1/2} \Big|_t^1 = 2 - 2t^{1/2}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{x} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x} dx + \int_{-1}^0 \frac{1}{x} dx \quad (\text{Divergent})$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_t^1 \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \ln|x| \Big|_t^1 = \infty \quad (\text{Diverges})$$

$$\int_{-1}^0 \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} \int_{-1}^t \frac{1}{x} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^-} \ln|x| \Big|_{-1}^t = \infty \quad (\text{Diverges})$$

- Trigonometric Substitution (sec. 8.4)
- Partial Fractions (sec. 8.5)

$$\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \quad x = a \sin t$$

$$a > 0$$

$$\sqrt{a^2 + x^2} \quad x = a \tan t$$

$$\sqrt{x^2 - a^2} \quad x = a \sec t$$

$$\textcircled{1} \int \frac{dx}{x^2 \sqrt{25 - x^2}} = \int \frac{5 \cos t \, dt}{25 \sin^2 t \sqrt{25 - 25 \sin^2 t}}$$

$$x = 5 \sin t$$

$$dx = 5 \cos t \, dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \frac{5 \cos t}{25 \sin^2 t \sqrt{25 \cos^2 t}} \, dt$$

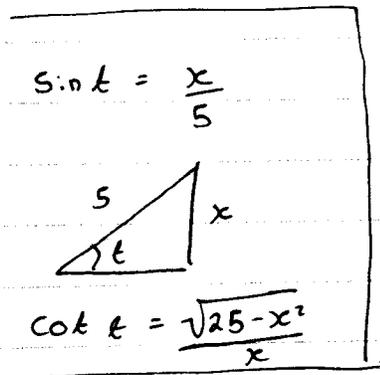
$$\Rightarrow \frac{5 \cos t \, dt}{25 \sin^2 t \cdot 5 \cos t}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{25} \int \frac{1}{\sin^2 t} \, dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{25} \int \csc^2 t \, dt$$

$$= \frac{-1}{25} \cot t + C$$

$$= \frac{-1}{25} \frac{\sqrt{25 - x^2}}{x} + C$$



$$\textcircled{2} \int \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 12}} dx = \int \frac{x}{\sqrt{(x+3)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2}}$$

$$x+3 = \sqrt{3} \tan t$$

$$x = \sqrt{3} \tan t - 3$$

$$dx = \sqrt{3} \sec^2 t dt$$

$x^2 + 6x + 12$	$+a-a$
$x^2 + 6x + 3$	$+9$
$(x+3)^2 + 3$	

$$\int \frac{x}{\sqrt{(x+3)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2}} dx = \int \frac{\sqrt{3} \tan t - 3}{\sqrt{3 \tan^2 t + 3}} \cdot \sqrt{3} \sec^2 t dt$$

$$= \int \frac{\sqrt{3} \tan t - 3}{\sqrt{3} \sec t} \cdot \sqrt{3} \sec^2 t dt \quad \sec t \geq 0$$

$$= \int \frac{\sqrt{3} \tan t - 3}{\sqrt{3} \sec t} \cdot \sqrt{3} \sec^2 t dt$$

$$= \int (\sqrt{3} \tan t - 3) \sec t dt = \sqrt{3} \int \tan t \sec t dt - 3 \int \sec t dt$$

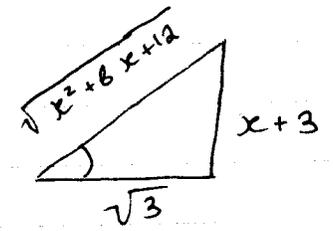
$$= \sqrt{3} \sec t - 3 \ln |\sec t + \tan t| + C$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 12}}{\sqrt{3}} - \ln \left| \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 12}}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{x+3}{\sqrt{3}} \right| + C$$

$$x+3 = \sqrt{3} \tan t$$

$$\tan t = \frac{x+3}{\sqrt{3}}$$

sec t = ?



$$\sec t = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x + 12}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \int_{\sqrt{3}}^2 \frac{\sqrt{x^2-3}}{x} dx = \int_0^{\pi/6} \frac{\sqrt{3\sec^2 t - 3}}{\sqrt{3} \sec t} \cdot \sqrt{3} \sec t \tan t dt$$

$$x = \sqrt{3} \sec t$$

$$dx = \sqrt{3} \sec t \tan t dt$$

$$x = 2 \Rightarrow 2 = \sqrt{3} \sec t \Rightarrow \cos t = \sqrt{3}/2 \Rightarrow \pi/6$$

$$x = \sqrt{3} \Rightarrow \sqrt{3} = \sqrt{3} \sec t \Rightarrow \cos t = 1 \Rightarrow 0$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/6} \frac{\sqrt{3} \tan^2 t}{\sqrt{3} \sec t} \cdot \sqrt{3} \sec t \cdot \tan t dt = \int_0^{\pi/6} \sqrt{3} \tan^2 t dt$$

$$= \sqrt{3} \int_0^{\pi/6} (\sec^2 t - 1) dt$$

(consider:  
 $\tan^2 t + 1 = \sec^2 t$ )

$$= \sqrt{3} \int_0^{\pi/6} (\sec^2 t - 1) dt$$

$$= \sqrt{3} (\tan t - t) \Big|_0^{\pi/6} = \sqrt{3} (\tan \pi/6 - \pi/6) = \sqrt{3} \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} - \frac{\pi}{6} \right)$$

### Partial Fractions

$$\textcircled{1} \int \frac{3x^3 - 2x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 3x + 2} dx$$

$$= \int \left( 3x + 7 + \frac{15x - 13}{x^2 - 3x + 2} \right) dx$$

$$= \frac{3x^2 + 7x}{2} + \int \frac{15x - 13}{x^2 - 3x + 2} dx$$

$$\frac{15x - 13}{x^2 - 3x + 2} = \frac{15x - 13}{(x-1)(x-2)} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{x-2}$$

$$x-1 \rightsquigarrow \frac{A}{x-1}$$

$$x-2 \rightsquigarrow \frac{B}{x-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 15x - 13 = A(x-2) + B(x-1)$$

$$= (A+B)x - 2A - B$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x + 7 \\ x^2 - 3x + 2 \overline{) 3x^3 - 2x^2 + 1} \\ \underline{-(3x^3 - 9x^2 + 6x)} \\ 7x^2 + 6x + 1 \\ \underline{-(7x^2 - 21x + 14)} \\ 15x - 13 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow A+B = 15 \quad (1)$$

$$(2) - (1) \Rightarrow A = -2 \Rightarrow B = 17$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A+B = 13 \quad (2)$$

$$\int \frac{15x-13}{x^2-3x+2} dx = \int \left( \frac{-2}{x-1} + \frac{17}{x-2} \right) dx =$$

$$\Rightarrow -2 \ln|x-1| + 17 \ln|x-2| + C$$

Lecture Sequences (Section 9.1)

Sequence:

 $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$ 

$$a_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Equivalently

 $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ 

$$f(n) = a_n$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 a_1 & , & a_2 & , & a_3 & , & a_n \dots \\
 \text{"} & & \text{"} & & \text{"} & & \text{"} \\
 -1 & & 1/2 & & -1/3 & & 1/4 \dots
 \end{array}$$

Def'n

A sequence is a function  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  from the positive numbers to the real integers.

The numbers,  $a_1 = f(1)$ ,  $a_2 = f(2)$ ,  $\dots$

are the terms of the sequence.

The number  $a_n$  is the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of the sequence. The entire sequence is denoted by

$$\{a_n\} \quad \left( \{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, (a_n), (a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \right)$$

Def'n (limit of a seq.)

We say that the seq.  $\{a_n\}$  has limit  $L$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$|a_n - L| < \epsilon \quad \text{for all } n > N$$

Thm (Properties of limits)

$$\text{If } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = K$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n \pm b_n) = L \pm K$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c a_n = c \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = cL \quad \text{where } c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n b_n = LK$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \frac{L}{K}$$

where  $b_n \neq 0$   
and  $K \neq 0$

Examples:  $\{a_n\}$ ,  $a_n = \frac{n}{n+1}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} \cdot \frac{1/n}{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1+1/n} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$$

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$   
 $1 \quad 0$

Thm Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function

Let  $a_n = f(n)$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

IF  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$

THEN  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(n) = L$

Example:

$\{a_n\}$ ,  $a_n = (1 + 2/n)^n$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = ?$

Let  $f(x) = (1 + 2/x)^x$  Then  $a_n = f(n)$

Let us compute  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (1 + 2/x)^x \\ & = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln((1 + 2/x)^x)} \\ & \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln((1 + 2/x)^x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \ln(1 + 2/x) \\ & = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(1 + 2/x)}{1/x} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \\ & = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{1+2/x} \cdot \left(-\frac{2}{x^2}\right)}{-1/x^2} \\ & = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{1+2/x} = 2 \\ & = e^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thm (Squeeze Thm)

Let  $\{a_n\}$ ,  $\{b_n\}$ , and  $\{c_n\}$  be sequences

such that:  $\lim a_n \Rightarrow \lim c_n \Rightarrow L$

and there is  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n \text{ for } n > N$$

Then:  $\lim b_n = L$

## Examples

①  $\{b_n\}$ ,  $b_n = \frac{1}{n} \sin^2(n)$

Let  $a_n = 0$

$c_n = \frac{1}{n}$   $n=1, 2, \dots$

Then  $a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n$  and  $\lim a_n = \lim c_n = 0$

Hence by the squeeze thm  $\lim b_n = 0$

## Thm (Absolute value thm)

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| = 0$  then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

Proof:  $-|a_n| \leq a_n \leq |a_n|$  for all  $n$

Then by the squeeze thm.  $\lim a_n = 0$

Example:  $\{a_n\}$ ,  $a_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$   $a_1 = -1$

$a_2 = \frac{1}{2}$

$a_3 = -\frac{1}{3}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$

Hence,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} = 0$

$\{a_n\}$ ,  $a_n = \frac{n}{n+1}$

$a_n \leq a_{n+1}$

$\frac{2n}{n+1} \leq \frac{2n+1}{n+1+1}$

$\frac{2n}{n+1} \leq \frac{2n+2}{n+2}$

$2n(n+2) \leq (2n+2)(n+1)$

$2n^2 + 4n \leq 2n^2 + 4n + 2$

$0 \leq 2$

## Defn (Monotonic Seq.)

A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is monotonic when its terms are nondecreasing

$a_1 \leq a_2 \leq a_3 \leq \dots$

or when nonincreasing

$a_1 \geq a_2 \geq a_3 \geq \dots$

$\{a_n\}$  is a non-decreasing is monotonic.

Def'n (Bounded seqs.)Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a seq.

- ① We say  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded above if there is  $M$  such that  $a_n \leq M$  for all  $n$ .
- ② We say  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded below if there is  $M$  such that  $M \leq a_n$  for all  $n$ .
- ③  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded if there is  $M$  such that  $-M \leq a_n \leq M$
- $\Downarrow$

Prop.  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded if  $(|a_n| \leq M)$   
and only if  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded above and below.

Examples

①  $a_n = \frac{1}{n} \sin^2(n)$

$a_n \leq \frac{1}{n} \leq 1 \Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded above

$0 \leq a_n \Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded below

So,  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded.



Lecture : Sequences (Section 9.1)  
Series and Convergence (Section 9.2)

$\{a_n\}$  is non-decreasing if  
 $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq a_3 \leq \dots$

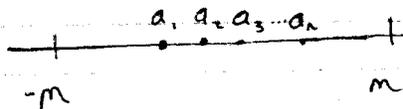
$\{a_n\}$  is non-increasing if  
 $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq a_3 \geq \dots$

$\{a_n\}$  is monotonic if it is either non-increasing  
or non-decreasing

$\{a_n\}$  is bounded if there is  $M > 0$  such that  
 $-M \leq a_n \leq M$  for all  $n$

Thm (convergence theory)

If a seq. is monotonic and bounded then it is  
convergent.



Example:

$\{a_n\}$ ,

$$a_{n+1} = a_n^2 - a_n + 1$$

$$a_1 = 1/2$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 = a_{1+1} &= a_1^2 - a_1 + 1 \\ &= 1/2^2 - 1/2 + 1 \\ &= 3/4 \end{aligned}$$

$$a_n \geq a_{n-1} \geq \dots \geq a_3 \geq a_2 \geq a_1 = 1/2 > 0$$

So,  $a_n > 0$  for all  $n$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded below  
by 0

Monotonic:

$$\begin{aligned} a_{n+1} - a_n &= a_n^2 - a_n + 1 - a_n \\ &= a_n^2 - 2a_n + 1 \\ &= (a_n - 1)^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+1} \geq a_n \text{ for all } n$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 \leq a_2 \leq a_3 \leq \dots$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is nondecreasing  
so it is monotonic

$$a_1 = 1/2$$

$$1 - a_2 = a_1(1 - a_1) \geq 0$$

$$1 - a_3 = a_2(1 - a_2) \geq 0$$

$$1 - a_4 = a_3(1 - a_3) \geq 0$$

$$1 - a_n \geq 0 \text{ for all } n \Rightarrow a_n \leq 1 \text{ for all } n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded  
above by 1



$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded

Hence, by the theorem  $\{a_n\}$  converges

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L \text{ exists}$$

then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} = L$  so

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n^2 - a_{n+1}) = L^2 - L + 1$$

$$L = 1$$

Series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots$$

$$S_1 = a_1$$

$$S_2 = a_1 + a_2$$

$$S_3 = a_1 + a_2 + a_3$$

⋮

$$S_n = a_1 + \dots + a_n$$

Def'n: Convergence and divergence of Series

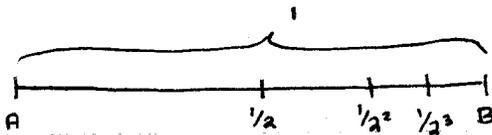
$$S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n \text{ (n}^{th} \text{ partial sum)}$$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  converges if  $\{S_n\}$  converges.

In which case we write  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  diverges if  $\{S_n\}$  diverges

Example:



$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots$$

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2}$$

$$S_3 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3}$$

⋮

$$S_n = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} S_n = (1 - \frac{1}{2}) S_n = S_n - \frac{1}{2} S_n = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} - \frac{1}{2^2} - \frac{1}{2^3} - \dots - \frac{1}{2^n} - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \frac{1}{2^n}) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} = 1 \text{ converges}$$

②  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + \dots$

$$S_1 = 1$$

$$S_2 = 1 + 1 = 2$$

$$S_3 = 1 + 1 + 1 = 3$$

$$\vdots$$

$$S_n = \underbrace{1 + 1 + 1 + \dots}_n = n$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n = \infty \text{ (divergent - not a number)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1 \text{ diverges}$$

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

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} = 1 - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} = 1 - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$S_n = \frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = 1 - \frac{1}{n+1}$$

then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \frac{1}{n+1}) = 1$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = 1 \text{ converges}$$

$$\frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{n+1-n}{n(n+1)} = \frac{n+1}{n(n+1)} - \frac{n}{n(n+1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}$$

Def'n: (Geometric Sequence and Series)

$\{a_n\}$ ,  $a_n = ar^n$ ,  $a \neq 0$  Geometric seq.  
 $r \in \mathbb{R}$

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n$  Geometric Series

Example:

$a = 1$ ,  $r = 1/2$ , then  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n}$

Thm: (convergence of a Geometric Series)

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} ar^n = \begin{cases} \frac{a}{1-r} & \text{if } |r| < 1 \text{ (converges)} \\ \text{diverges if } & |r| \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Proof

$$S_n = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^n$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-r)S_n = S_n - rS_n = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^n - ar - ar^2 - \dots - ar^n - ar^{n+1}$$

$$= a - ar^{n+1}$$

if  $r \neq 1$ , we get

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

So,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \begin{cases} \frac{a}{1-r} & |r| < 1 \\ \text{diverges} & \end{cases}$

Because  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r^{n+1} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } |r| < 1 \\ \text{diverges} & \text{if } |r| \geq 1 \end{cases}$

Examples:

①  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{5}{3^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 5 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n = \frac{5}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{15}{2}$

$a = 5$   
 $r = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow |r| = \frac{1}{3} < 1$

②  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3^{n+2}}{2^{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{3^2}{2} \cdot \frac{3^n}{2^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{9}{2} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^n$

$= a \frac{9}{2}$

$= r = \frac{3}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow |r| > 1$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  diverges